

GRASS, Richard A.
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Mrs. Emma L. Grass
3024 North Second Street
Milwaukee 12, Wisconsin

My dear Mrs. Grass:

I am directed by the Commandant of the Marine Corps to forward to you the enclosed Gold Star Lapel Button to which you are entitled as the mother of the late Field Music First Class Richard A. Grass, U. S. Marine Corps Reserve.

Sincerely yours,

J. F. BLAKENEY
Head, Decorations and Medals Branch

B-11

Encl:
(1)

APPLICATION FOR GOLD STAR LAPEL BUTTON

(THIS FORM IS FOR ONE APPLICANT ONLY)

FRONT



VIEW

IF DECEASED WAS A MEMBER OF:

ARMY.....ADDRESS TO THE ADJUTANT GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

NAVY.....ADDRESS TO THE CHIEF OF NAVAL PERSONNEL, ATTENTION: PERSONNEL 10, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

MARINE CORPS.....ADDRESS TO THE COMMANDANT, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

COAST GUARD.....ADDRESS TO THE COMMANDANT, UNITED STATES COAST GUARD, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

TO:

Commandant U.S. Marine Corps

FOR GRATUITOUS ISSUE

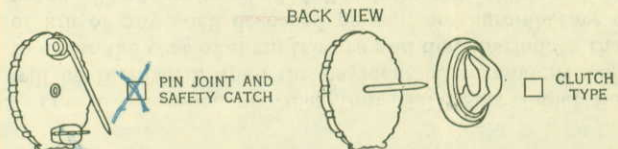
I CERTIFY I AM THE WIDOW, WIDOWER, MOTHER, FATHER, STEPMOTHER, STEPFATHER, MOTHER THROUGH ADOPTION,
 FATHER THROUGH ADOPTION (Check applicable relationship) OF:

GRASS-RICHARDT Anthony P.F.C. USMCR 54-4919
 (LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE INITIAL) (GRADE) (SERVICE SERIAL NUMBER)

WHO DIED ON *Feb. 19 1945* WHILE SERVING AS A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES DURING WORLD WAR II (7 December 1941 through 25 July 1947) AND HEREBY MAKE APPLICATION FOR ONE: GOLD STAR LAPEL BUTTON WITHOUT COST. IT TO BE ENGRAVED WITH MY INITIALS ON

THE BACK OF THE BUTTON AS INDICATED: *E. L. G.* (PRINT INITIALS) BUTTONS ARE AVAILABLE IN PIN AND CLUTCH-TYPE FASTENERS AS FOLLOWS

(Check type of fastener desired):



Mrs Emma L. Grass
 (SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

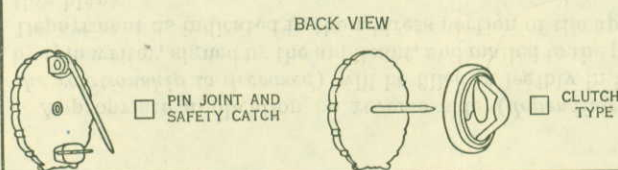
FOR PURCHASE AT COST PRICE

I CERTIFY I AM THE SON, DAUGHTER, STEPSON, STEPDAUGHTER, SON BY ADOPTION, DAUGHTER BY ADOPTION, BROTHER,
 SISTER, HALF BROTHER, HALF SISTER (Check applicable relationship) OF:

WHO DIED ON _____ 19____ WHILE SERVING AS A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES DURING WORLD WAR II (7 December 1941 through 25 July 1947) AND HEREBY MAKE APPLICATION FOR ONE: GOLD STAR LAPEL BUTTON AND AGREE TO PAY COST OF MANUFACTURE AND DISTRIBUTION (about \$1.50) C. O. D. NO MONEY, CHECKS, OR STAMPS WILL BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS APPLICATION. IT TO BE ENGRAVED WITH MY INITIALS ON THE

BACK OF THE BUTTON AS INDICATED: _____ (PRINT INITIALS) BUTTONS ARE AVAILABLE IN PIN AND CLUTCH-TYPE FASTENERS AS FOLLOWS

(Check type of fastener desired):



 (SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

SEND BUTTON TO—

(Type or print name and address in both spaces as this information is needed for record purposes and for shipping purposes)

NAME *Mrs Emma L. Grass*
 NUMBER AND STREET *3024-No. 2nd St*
 CITY AND STATE *Milwaukee 12 Wis.*

NAME *Mrs Emma L. Grass*
 NUMBER AND STREET *3024-No. 2nd St*
 CITY AND STATE *Milwaukee 12 Wis.*

FILE

RESERVE

544919

DURATION OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY

GRASS

Richard Anthony

BORN: 10 May 1925

AT: Milwaukee, Wis.

ENLISTED: 15 February 1943

AT: Milwaukee, Wis.

PLU

9th RD

C1 3d

ACTIVE DUTY FR JUL 1 1943 TO 2/19/45

Jd U. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich JUL 1 1943
Md. NAV. V-12 Unit

"TEMPORARY"
PVT 1st CLASS | LINE MAY 2 - 1944

Jd S. Post Bn San Diego MCB, San Diego, Cal MAR 5 1944

Jd. CO. C Base Hq Bn. MAY 3 1944

Jd. 3d Bn. 27th Mar. FMF MAY 13 1944

In The Field via USS MIDDLETON AUG 12 1944

Buried 5th Mar. Div. Cemetery,
Camp Jassia, Volcano Is; plot #7,
Row #12, Grave #526.

Killed in action

FEB 19 1945

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APPLICATION FOR FINAL DISPOSITION OF NAVY, MARINE CORPS, AND COAST GUARD WORLD WAR II DEAD

INSTRUCTIONS: The next of kin should familiarize himself with the entire contents of the pamphlet entitled "Disposition of Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard World War II Dead," forwarded with this application, before attempting to fill out this form. When the next of kin has executed so much of this form as expresses his wishes regarding the disposition of the remains, it should be signed and returned in the accompanying self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

PART I

OCT 27 1947
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I, *Joseph P. and Emma L. Grass* (NAME OF NEXT OF KIN) *Parents* (RELATIONSHIP) OF THE LATE
 FMlc RICHARD A. GRASS (544919) USMC
 Co H, 27thMar, 5thMarDiv.

REQUEST THE FOLLOWING DISPOSITION TO BE MADE OF THE REMAINS.

NOTE.—PLACE AN "X" IN THE SQUARE BY THE OPTION YOU SELECT.

OPTION NO. 1 REMAINS TO BE INTERRED IN A PERMANENT AMERICAN MILITARY CEMETERY OVERSEAS.
 (See explanation of this option in the pamphlet entitled "Disposition of Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard World War II Dead.")

OPTION NO. 2 REMAINS TO BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES, OR ANY POSSESSION OR TERRITORY THEREOF, FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY.
 (See explanation of this option in the pamphlet entitled "Disposition of Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard World War II Dead.")

GIVE BELOW THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON OR FIRM TO WHOM THE REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED

NAME (LAST)	(FIRST)	(MIDDLE)
(IF FUNERAL DIRECTOR, GIVE FULL NAME OF FIRM) <i>Ferrick Funeral Service, 4620 W. North Ave</i>		
ADDRESS (NUMBER AND STREET)	(CITY OR TOWN)	(COUNTY) (STATE)
<i>4620 - West North Ave</i>	<i>Milwaukee</i>	<i>Milwaukee Wisconsin</i>
TELEGRAPH ADDRESS	TELEPHONE NO.	NEAREST RAILROAD PASSENGER STATION
	<i>Kilbourn 1617</i>	

NAME AND LOCATION OF PRIVATE CEMETERY
Holy Cross Cemetery 7132 - West Lisbon Ave Milwaukee Wisconsin

OPTION NO. 3 REMAINS TO BE SHIPPED WITHIN, OR RETURNED TO A FOREIGN COUNTRY THE HOMELAND OF THE DECEASED OR NEXT OF KIN, FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY.
 (See explanation of this option in the pamphlet entitled "Disposition of Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard World War II Dead.")

GIVE BELOW THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON OR FIRM TO WHOM THE REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED

NAME (LAST)	(FIRST)	(MIDDLE)
(IF FUNERAL DIRECTOR, GIVE FULL NAME OF FIRM)		
ADDRESS (NUMBER AND STREET)	(CITY OR TOWN)	(COUNTRY)
CABLE ADDRESS	NEAREST RAILROAD PASSENGER STATION	
NAME AND LOCATION OF PRIVATE CEMETERY		

(CONTINUED)

OPTION NO. 4

REMAINS TO BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES FOR FINAL INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY.

(See explanation of this option in the pamphlet entitled "Disposition of Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard World War II Dead.")

NAME OF CEMETERY

LOCATION OF CEMETERY

WILL YOU OR ANY OTHER RELATIVES ATTEND THE FUNERAL SERVICES (Place an "X" in appropriate square)

YES

NO

IF REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED TO A DESTINATION OTHER THAN A NATIONAL CEMETERY FOR RELIGIOUS SERVICES PRIOR TO SHIPMENT TO THE NATIONAL CEMETERY, ENTER BELOW NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE TO WHOM REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED.

NAME (LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)

(IF FUNERAL DIRECTOR, GIVE FULL NAME OF FIRM)

ADDRESS (NUMBER AND STREET) (CITY OR TOWN) (COUNTY) (STATE)

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS TELEPHONE No. NEAREST RAILROAD PASSENGER STATION

PART II

I DESIRE TO RELINQUISH AUTHORITY TO DISPOSE OF THE REMAINS TO THE FOLLOWING PERSON WHO HAS AGREED TO ASSUME THIS RESPONSIBILITY. (See pamphlet entitled "Disposition of Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard World War II Dead.")

NAME (LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE) RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED

ADDRESS (NUMBER AND STREET) (CITY OR TOWN) (COUNTY) (STATE)

PART III

IN THE EVENT OF EMERGENCY AFTER FILING THIS APPLICATION AND BEFORE THE ARRIVAL OF THE REMAINS AT THE DESIGNATED DESTINATION, I HEREBY APPOINT THE FOLLOWING PERSON TO CARRY OUT MY PREVIOUSLY EXPRESSED WISHES.

NAME OF PERSON DESIGNATED Joseph J. Grass RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED Brother

ADDRESS (NUMBER AND STREET) (CITY OR TOWN) (COUNTY) (STATE) 3024-No. 2nd St Milwaukee Wisconsin

PART IV

RELIGION OF THE DECEASED (Place an "X" in appropriate square)

PROTESTANT

CATHOLIC

HEBREW

OTHER (SPECIFY)

REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Telephone & Telegraph Address Locust 3024 3024-North 2nd St. Milwaukee Wisconsin

October 31st 1947 (DATE OF APPLICATION)

Joseph P. and Emmat L. Grass (SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

Number and Street Address

City and State

3024-No. 2nd St Milwaukee Wisconsin

EXTRACT OF "REQUEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAINS" FOR NAVY, MARINE, OR COAST GUARD DECEASED

DATE

18Nov47

NAME GRASS, Richard A.	RANK FM1c	USMC	SERIAL No. 544919
ORGANIZATION Co H, 27thMar, 5thMarDiv.	RACE White		RELIGION Catholic

PRESENT BURIAL LOCATION

NAME OF CEMETERY 5532 5thMarDiv. Cemetery	LOCATION (Country) Iwo Jima	PLOT 2	ROW 12	GRAVE 526
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FINAL DISPOSITION SELECTED BY THE NEXT OF KIN

OPTION No. 1 BE INTERRED IN A PERMANENT AMERICAN MILITARY CEMETERY OVERSEAS

OPTION No. 2 BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES OR ANY POSSESSION OR TERRITORY THEREOF, FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY
Holy Cross Cemetery, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
(NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY)

OPTION No. 3 BE RETURNED TO _____ (FOREIGN COUNTRY) THE HOMELAND OF THE DECEASED OR NEXT OF KIN, FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY LOCATED AT _____ (LOCATION OF CEMETERY SELECTED)

OPTION No. 4 BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES FOR FINAL INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY LOCATED AT _____ (LOCATION OF NATIONAL CEMETERY SELECTED)

DOES NEXT OF KIN OR RELATIVES WISH TO ATTEND FUNERAL SERVICES IF INTERMENT IS TO BE IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY? YES NO

CONSIGNEE

(To be completed when Option 2 or 3 is selected or when remains are to be shipped to a destination other than a National Cemetery when Option 4 is selected)

FULL NAME OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR OR INDIVIDUAL

Ferrick Funeral Service

NUMBER AND STREET, CITY OR TOWN 4620 West North Ave., Milwaukee, <small>EXPRESS OFFICE (Nearest railroad passenger station)</small>	COUNTY OR PROVINCE Milwaukee	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY Wisconsin
Milwaukee, Wisconsin	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS same	TELEPHONE NO. Kilbourn 1617

NEXT OF KIN

LAST NAME GRASS (Father)	FIRST NAME Joseph	MIDDLE INITIAL P.
NUMBER AND STREET, CITY OR TOWN 3024 North 2nd St., Milwaukee,	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A. OR COUNTRY Wisconsin	

REMARKS: (Note any special instructions such as cremation, etc.)

C. A. GUNSOLLEY,
W.O., USMC

(SIGNATURE, RANK AND BRANCH OF SERVICE)

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Office of The Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D. C.

QMGMN 293

GRASS, Richard Anthony
544 919 - USMC

23 September 1948

To : Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps
Department of the Navy
Washington 25, D. C.

Subject : GRASS, Richard Anthony FMlc 544 919
Final burial of the remains of

1. The remains of the above named were returned to the
United States on 22 March 1948 for final burial, as
requested by the next of kin.

J. K. Waite
J. K. WAITE
Lieut. (MSC) USN
Navy Liaison Officer, AGRS

CC: Bureau of Medicine & Surgery, Dept. of the Navy

544919
DGP-lms

19 July 1948

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Grass:

I am directed by the Commandant of the Marine Corps to forward to you the following posthumous awards to which you are entitled as the next of kin of the late Field Music First Class Richard A. Grass, U. S. Marine Corps Reserve:

Copy of Presidential Unit Citation with ribbon bar and one star awarded the Assault Troops of the Fifth Amphibious Corps, Reinforced, - service on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands
Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal.

Sincerely yours,

L. S. HAMEL,
Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps.

Enclosures: 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Grass,
3024 North 2nd Street,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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M. C. H. H.
OCT 27 1947

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My dear Mrs. Grass:

The return of American dead of World War II from overseas cemeteries has now been provided for by the Congress. The records of this office indicate that you are the person authorized to direct the final disposition of the remains of the late Field Music First Class Richard A. Grass.

Enclosed with this letter are two pamphlets relating to disposition of World War II Armed Forces dead. An application form is also enclosed upon which you are requested to express your wishes in order that the Government may have information necessary to proceed with plans for the return of American dead.

Before executing the application form, it is requested that you read carefully the enclosed pamphlets of information regarding the return of the dead. After you have read the pamphlets carefully and have made your decision, please execute the enclosed application form and return it within thirty days from date of receipt, using the accompanying envelope which requires no postage. If you desire to delegate this authority to some other person who has agreed to assume the responsibility of claiming the remains, please execute Part II of the application and return it in the enclosed envelope at your earliest convenience.

This operation is world-wide in scope and will be executed in an orderly and reverent manner, area by area, a time-consuming operation. Should your expressed preference, therefore, be the return of the remains to the United States, it will not be necessary for you to make funeral or other personal arrangements immediately. The expected date of return of remains will be transmitted to you sufficiently in advance to permit such personal arrangements as you may desire.

Sincerely yours,

Enc: (6)

A. A. VANDEGRIFT,
General, U.S.M.C.,
Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Mrs. Emma L. Grass,
3024 North 2nd Street,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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IN REPLYING ADDRESS
COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS
AND REFER TO NO.
544919
DGP-bmb



R.C. H.H.

HEADQUARTERS U. S. MARINE CORPS
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Grass:

SEP 29 1947

I am directed by the Commandant of the Marine Corps to forward to you the following posthumous awards to which you are entitled as the next of kin of the late Field Musician First Class Richard A. Grass, U. S. Marine Corps Reserve:

Victory Medal World War II.

JMS
It is regretted that the other awards mentioned in previous letters from this Headquarters are not ready for issuance. However, when available they will be sent to you without application. A certificate of service will also be sent to you as soon as practicable.

Sincerely yours,

L. S. HANEL,
Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps.

Enclosure: 1.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Grass,
3024 North Second Street.,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

544919

REPORT OF INTERMENT

QUALITY STATISTICS
NOTE

<u>GRASS</u> (Last Name)	<u>R.</u> (First)	<u>A.</u> (Initial)	<u>544919</u> (Serial Number)	<u>FMI/C</u> (Rank)	<u>USMCR</u> (Organization)
<u>IWO JIMA</u> (Place of death)	<u>5th Div. No. 1</u> (Name of Cemetery)		<u>147-J</u> (Name or coordinates of location)		
<u>526</u> (Grave Number)	<u>12</u> (Row Number)	<u>2</u> (Plot Number)	<u>C</u> (Religion, if known)		

Disposition of identification tags: One Buried with body Yes No
 One Attached to marker Yes No

(If no identification tags, what means of identification are buried with body?)

(If no identification tags, but identity definitely established, give particulars)

BODY BURIED ON RIGHT WITTMER 357530 USMC 527
 (Name) (Ser. No.) (Rank) (Org) (Grave No.)

BODY BURIED ON LEFT NEAL 439340 USMC 525
 (Name) (Ser. No.) (Rank) (Org) (Grave No.)

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in all possible information, forward two (2) copies to CG, FMF, PAC as soon as practicable. Take prints of one finger (Preferably right index) of identified dead and all ten fingers of unidentified, if possible.

NOTE: DO NOT ATTEMPT TO FILL OUT THIS CARD WITHOUT FIRST READING INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED IN ARMY REGULATIONS 615-25 AND U.S.M.C. SUPPLEMENT VERY CAREFULLY.

U.S.M.C. ENLISTED MAN'S QUALIFICATION CARD

(21)-⑦ PREVIOUS MILITARY EXPERIENCE

ARM OR SERVICE	YEARS IN EACH	HIGHEST GRADE	CATEGORY USMC ARMY NAVY C. G. OTHER	LAST DIS. CHARGE (YEAR)	SPECIAL TRAINING RECEIVED			
					SPECIFIC NATURE	YEARS	MO'S.	LAST DATE (YEAR)

(29) RECORD OF CURRENT SERVICE

DATE	ORGANIZATION	GRADE	PRINCIPAL DUTY	SURGEON'S O.K. (LIMITED SERVICE ONLY)
1 JUL 43	MAR. DET. U.S. INFANTRY	PVT.	COLL-V-IV	3.8
5 MAR 44	3 RBn, RD, MCB, SD	PVPFC	BASIC TR	4.1
MAY 4 1944	Co. C, 8th Bn, MCB, San Diego, Calif.	EM1cl	UNDER INST.	4.2
15 MAR 44	COH - 3BN 27 MAR	Fm1cl	MUSIC 803	4.5
19 FEB 45	Decensed (See 17c 28)			
	DECEASED			

(22)-⑥ SERVICE SCHOOLS, ARM. OR SERVICE

NUMBER OF WEEKS	COURSE	YEAR GRADUATED	SCHOOL RATING
2	Field Music School	1944	SAT

(23) DUTY DESIRED

FIRST CHOICE AVN (AERIAL GUNNER)
 SECOND CHOICE S.D. / AVN BAND. GUN.
 (24) LIMITED SERVICE CLASS IV
 CLASS V
 OTHER

(25)-⑥ ASSIGNMENT RECOMMENDED BY CLASSIFICATION OFFICER
 30. BAFM 52.1

(27)-⑦ CLASSIFICATION IN MILITARY SPECIALTIES

DESIGNATION	SPEC. SERIAL No.	DATE OF CLASSIFICATION
FIELD MUSIC	803	MAY 13 1944

(30)-⑥

DATE OF (CROSS OUT ONE) ENLISTMENT INDUCTION 15 FEB 43
 DATE OF INTERVIEW 7 MAR 44 STATION RD, SAN DIEGO
 SIGNATURES
 INTERVIEWER George L. Duncan Corp.
 CLASSIFIER Delbert M. Hunter S/Sgt.
 MARINE Richard A. [unclear] Pvt

(28) REMARKS 55793 APR 19 1944 M1

Drives: Auto Lt. Trck Trk. Trctr.
 Cpllr. Motorcycle Typelic. NONE State

Killed in action 19 FEB 45 AT IWO JIMA BURIED 5th DIV CEMETERY

QUALIFIED SWIMMER 2nd CLASS

(1)-Ⓢ NAME GRASS RICHARD ANTHONY
 (PRINT CLEARLY) (LAST NAME) (FIRST NAME) (MIDDLE NAME)

REG. RES. II BAND 544919 INCHES 70 LBS. 152 PLT. 220
 (1-A) SOURCE (1-B) Ⓡ SPECIAL BRANCH M. C. SERIAL NUMBER HEIGHT WEIGHT RACE

(2) BIRTHPLACE OF MARINE MILWAUKEE, WIS. HOW LONG IN U. S. — YEARS
 (GIVE CITY AND STATE OF U. S. OR NAME OF FOREIGN COUNTRY)

(13)-Ⓡ MAIN OCCUPATION STUDENT
 (OCCUPATIONAL DICTIONARY CODE) TRADE TEST INDICATED SPEC. SER. NO. 480 DEGREE OF SKILL

(3)-Ⓢ DATE OF BIRTH OF MARINE MAY 10 1925
 (MONTH) (DAY) (YEAR)

JUST WHAT DID YOU DO? STUDENT (H.S.) ACAD. (13) CIVILIAN Ⓡ

(4) CITIZEN TAKEN OUT FIRST PAPERS NON-CITIZEN

(REF. B) WORKED IN FILLING STATION AS ATTENDANT AND DELIVERED PAPERS ON ROUTE WHILE ATTENDING SCHOOL. DROVE 1 1/2 TON TRUCK OCCASIONALLY.

(5)-Ⓡ MARITAL STATUS S NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS 0

(6) BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER SO. MILWAUKEE, WIS.
 (GIVE CITY AND STATE OF U. S. OR NAME OF FOREIGN COUNTRY)

(7) BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER MILWAUKEE, WIS.
 (GIVE CITY AND STATE OF U. S. OR NAME OF FOREIGN COUNTRY)

(8)-Ⓢ EDUCATION
 YEAR LEFT SCHOOL 1944 NON-E. L-7 ILLITERATE L-11

SCHOOL	Number of Years	GRAD- UATED		NAME AND LOCATIONS OF INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED	MAJOR SUBJECT OR SPECIALIZATION	DEGREE AND DATE RECEIVED
		YES	NO			
L (SF1) GRAMMAR SCHOOL	8	✓		MILWAUKEE, WIS.		39
(SF2) HIGH SCHOOL	4	✓		WAUWATOSA, WIS.	ACAD.	43
(1-2) COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY	1	✓		U. OF MICH.	PRE-ENG V-12	44
(4-1) POST GRADUATE	-			MATH THRU HIGHER ALG. PRE-FLIGHT COLL. ALG. THRU ANAL. GEOM., 1YR. H.S. PHYSICS - 1YR. H.S. 1YR. COLL.		
(4-2) TRADE, NIGHT OR BUSINESS SCHOOL	-			CHEM. 1YR. H.S. TYPING - 1YR. H.S. 30WPM WOOD SHOP - 1YR. ENG. D. DRAWING - 1YR. COLL. MECH. DRAW - 1YR. H.S.		

LAST DATE OF EMPLOYMENT

EMPLOYER (GIVE FIRM NAME - NOT NAME OF FOREMAN OR BOSS)

ADDRESS OF EMPLOYER (NUMBER) (STREET) (CITY) (STATE)

DEPT., SHOP OR BRANCH KIND OF BUSINESS

(14)- SECOND BEST OCCUPATION YEARS AT IT WKLY. WAGE \$

JUST WHAT DID YOU DO? SPECIFICATION SERIAL NO. DEGREE OF SKILL TRADE TEST INDICATED (14) CIVILIAN

(15)-Ⓢ ADDITIONAL OCCUPATIONS, HOBBIES, ETC. RADIO L SF-1 PHOTOGRAPHY L SF-2

9 OTHER MODEL AIRPLANES - SOLID

(9)-Ⓡ LANGUAGES (CHECK APPROPRIATE SPACES) S—SPEAKS R—READS W—WRITES

	SPANISH (r)			FRENCH (r)			GERMAN (r)			OTHER LANGUAGES (r)					
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FAIRLY WELL										S	R	W	S	R	W
FLUENTLY (r)										S	R	W	S	R	W

(16)-Ⓢ ARMY GENERAL CLASSIFICATION TEST (17)-Ⓢ APTITUDE TESTS (18)-Ⓢ OTHER TESTS

FORM & DATE	GRADE - SCORE	TEST NO.	GRADE - SCORE	TEST	GRADE - SCORE
147MAY44 II-112		MA-2 II-118		ROA-LX-1 II-118	

(10)-Ⓡ NAVAL DISTRICT OF ENLISTMENT OR INDUCTION 9

(19)-Ⓢ TRADE TEST RATINGS SPEC. SER. NO. SCORE

(11)-Ⓢ SPORTS IN WHICH QUALIFIED EXCELLS TRACK L SF-1 BASKET BALL SF-4 BOXING SF-7
 XL H.S. BASE BALL SF-2 SOFT BALL 4-1 WRESTLING 7-1
 SCHOOL OR TEAM FOOT BALL 2-1 TENNIS 4-2 OTHER L-2 SWIM

(12)-Ⓢ TALENT FOR FURNISHING PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT

BUGLE - 2YR TRUMPET - 1YR MUSICAL INSTRUMENT L-27 SINGING L-28 THEATRICAL L-29
BOYSCOUTS CAMP.

(20)-Ⓢ HIGHEST POSITION OF LEADERSHIP (INCLUDING MILITARY)

(11) QUALIFIED SPORT
 (12) EDUCATION
 (13) ADDITIONAL OCC. & HOBI.
 (14) M. A. T. SCORE
 (15) A. G. C. T. SCORE
 (16) M. I. ENTERYMT.
 (17)

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 REG. RES.
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COMPANY "H", THIRD BATTALION,
27th MARINES, 5th MARINE DIVISION, FMF,
C/O FLEET POST OFFICE, SAN FRANCISCO.

9 July, 1945.

This is to certify that no personal effects belonging to Field
Music First Class Richard Anthony GRASS, (544919), USMC, can be found
in storage in this organization.

Floyd A. Knutson
FLOYD A. KNUTSON
Capt. USMC
Commanding.

Serial No.....



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

I, **Richard Anthony GRASS**, desiring to enlist in the
(first name) (middle name, if any) (surname, in capitals)

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, for **duration of the war**, do declare that I was
(insert period of enlistment)

born **10 May 1925**, at **Milwaukee**

Wisconsin

in the State of; that I know of nothing wrong with my health or body that the doctor did not find when he examined me; that I am of good habits and character; that no judge or jury has ever found me guilty of a crime; that I have never deserted from the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard and have never been discharged therefrom with a dishonorable, bad conduct, undesirable or inaptitude discharge, or for disability, and that I have never served therein except as stated to the Recruiting Officer and recorded on the reverse side of this contract; and that I am a citizen of the United States. I agree to accept from the United States such bounty, pay, rations and clothing as are or may be established by law.

I further state that, if enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve, I hereby waive, as of the date of my enlistment and assignment to active duty all or any rights that I have to any pension, disability allowance, disability compensation or retired pay, which I may be currently receiving or entitled to receive from the Government of the United

States for the period of such enlistment and active duty therein. I, **am not** receiving such monies in
(am) (am not)
the amount of \$ **X**
(per month)

I further agree that the authorities concerned are authorized to use the information set forth herein below as may be required for the following purposes:

1. To carry out the provisions of the acts approved June 4, 1920; May 22, 1928; May 12, 1930 and March 17, 1941, or acts amendatory thereof, pertaining to the payment of a gratuity equal to six (6) months' pay to widow or children or dependents of officers and enlisted men, I give below the names and addresses of my wife and children:

none

(Full name of wife; if not married, so state)

(Address of wife)

none

(Full name and address of each child; if none, so state)

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION

Name, Richard Anthony GRASS; born 10 May, 1925
 I CERTIFY, that I have this 15th day of February, 191943
 at Ind&RS, Milwaukee, Wisconsin carefully examined the above-named man in accordance
 with the Regulations of the Navy; that he has stated to me that he has no disease, and in my opinion he is free
 from all bodily defects and mental infirmities which would in any way disqualify him from performing the duties
 of a Marine, and that his personal description is as follows:
Brown eyes, Dk. Brown hair, Ruddy complexion; height 68 1/2 inches,
 weight 145 pounds, mean circumference 33 1/2 inches, expansion 36 inches,
 vision (Snellen) right 20/20, left 20/20, indelible or permanent marks upon his person:
ANT:pm r.chest;S.1 1/2'r.shin;S. 1/2'fhd;pm neck
POST:VSLA;M.1.subscap.reg;Op.S.3'l.subscap.reg;S.2'upper l.thigh;
S. 1/4'r.index finger

Karl Icks, Lt. Comdr (MC) USNR, Retired
 (M.C.), U. S. Navy

DATES OF FORMER ENLISTMENTS AND DISCHARGES

(All prior naval or military service, including Reserve, must be entered below at time of enlistment)

ENLISTED	DISCHARGED	BRANCH OF SERVICE, RANK, TIME LOST, ETC.	CHARACTER

TYPE ON LINE BELOW IF REGULAR OR RESERVE (IF RESERVE SHOW CLASS)

RESERVE

Legal residence 3024 N. 2nd St., Milwaukee
(Street and number) (City)
Milwaukee Wisconsin,
(County) (State or Territory)

Name and address of person to be notified in case of emergency, giving degree of relationship; if friend, so state:

Joseph Peter GRASS 3024 N. 2nd St. Milwaukee, Wis. FATHER
(Name) (Address, including name of street and number of house) (Relationship)

Space below is for use in the Adjutant and Inspector's Department

Date Rec'd.....	Current enlistment extended years from
Strength & Dist.....	Current enlistment extended years from
Recruiting.....	
Carded.....	
Compared.....	

P. A. Pfk.
Name and rank

SCHOOL

DIED JUL 26 1945

- 1. Rec'd in A. & I Dept. (initial and pass to next number)
- 2. Casualty *med* 3. QM. Clo.
- 4. Mil. Hist. (FILE) *med*

CANDIDATES' CLASS
No. 544919

U. S. MARINE CORPS

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CLASSIFIED

SERVICE-RECORD BOOK

OF

GRASS

(SURNAME)

RICHARD ANTHONY

(CHRISTIAN NAME)

RANK

PUT
P.F.C.

EM1cl

15 FEBRUARY 1943

(DATE OF ENLISTMENT)

PREVIOUS SERVICE (ACTIVE)

Years _____ Months _____ Days _____

DATE OF EXPIRATION OF EACH EXTENSION

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N.M.C. 109-A & I
3-28-42

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SERVICE RECORD

OF

INSTRUCTIONS

This book is a part of the staff returns of a marine and must accompany him throughout his enlistment.

Entries shall be made to show complete information of the man concerned as indicated on the several pages of this book and in accordance with the provisions of the Marine Corps Manual. No entries shall be made until the man's enlistment is accomplished by the administration of the oath of enlistment.

Neatness, clearness, and strict economy of space must be observed. No blank lines shall be left between entries. Only such forms, letters, or certificates as may be authorized will be pasted in this book.

Name GRASS, RICHARD ANTHONY
 Citizenship U.S.
 Date of birth 10 MAY, 1925
 Place of birth MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN
 Legal residence 3024 N. 2nd St., MILWAUKEE, WIS.
 Name, relationship, and address of person to be notified in case of emergency JOSEPH PETER GRASS FATHER, 3024 N 2nd St., MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN
 Accepted for enlistment at DHRS, MILWAUKEE, WIS.
 Enlisted as PRIVATE
 At DHRS, MILWAUKEE, WIS. 15 FEBRUARY, 1942, to serve ^{DUR. NAT'L EMER. years.} { during minority.
 Foreign shore service last enlistment (months): NONE
 From _____ to _____
 Sea service last enlistment (months): NONE
 From _____ to _____
Playford W. Reed
 Captain, U.S.M.C., R.
 Recruiting Officer.

Richard Anthony Grass
 (SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT IN FULL)
 Identification tag issued FEB 23 1944, 19
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GRASS, Richard A.
 Ind 15 Feb 43.
 Taken 15 Mar 44.



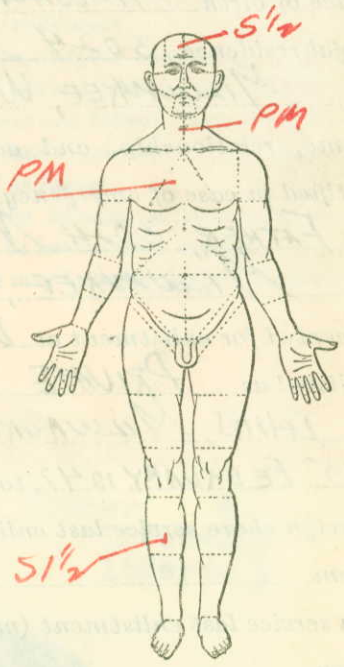
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MARKS, SCARS, ETC.
(Marked in red ink by Medical Examiner)

Marine Corps
San Diego, Calif.
Blood Kahn Negative
Blood Type O Inter

LEFT HAND
Rolled imprint of thumb and each finger

	6. THUMB
	7. INDEX
	8. MIDDLE
	9. RING
	10. LITTLE



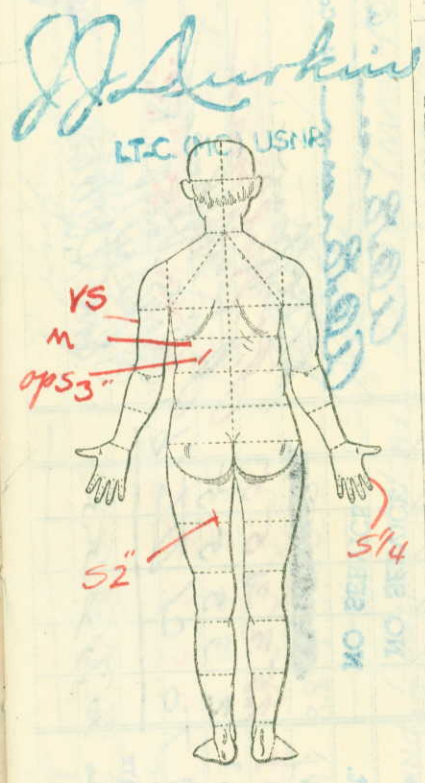
Examined 2-15, 1943
 Eyes Brown
 Hair DK Brown
 Complexion Ruddy
 Height 68 1/4 inches.
 Weight 145 pounds.

LEFT HAND— Plain imprint of Four Fingers taken simultaneously



RIGHT HAND
Rolled imprint of thumb and each finger

	5. LITTLE
	4. RING
	3. MIDDLE
	2. INDEX
	1. THUMB



Date and nature of any waiver
NONE
Karl J. ...
 Surgeon.

RIGHT HAND— Plain imprint of Four Fingers taken simultaneously



PROFESSIONAL AND CONDUCT RECORD OF RICHARD ANTHONY GRASS

The following shall be executed and signed semiannually and whenever the marine is transferred, retired, discharged, deserts, or dies, or the book is closed for discharge; also (without markings) when he joins, surrenders, or is apprehended. (0, Bad; 1, Indifferent; 2, Fair; 3, Good; 3.8, Very Good; 4.3 to 5, Excellent.) Semiannual markings and markings "For Discharge" shall be entered in red ink. Military Efficiency includes all matters relating to the duties of a marine other than Neatness and Military Bearing, Intelligence, Obedience, and Sobriety.

STATION OR VESSEL	JOINED, Surr., App., Transf., Semi-an., For Dis., Final M., Deserted, Died, Retired, Discharged, Transf. to Reserve	DATE	RANK	MILITARY EFFICIENCY	NEATNESS AND MILITARY BEARING	INTELLIGENCE	OBEDIENCE	SOBRIETY	AVERAGE STANDING	SIGNATURE OF COMMANDING OFFICER
1 DEARS, MILWAUKEE, Wis	ENL+TR	15 FEBRUARY 1943	Pvt							CAPT. USMCR
2 PLU. 9TH RES. DIST.	JOINED	APR 4 1943	Pvt.							LT. Col. U.S.M.C. (Ret)
3 PLU. 9TH RES. DIST	Assigned active duty	1 JUL 4 1943	Pvt.							LT. Col. U.S.M.C. (Ret)
4 MD, NAVY U. OF MICH.	Trans	JUL 1 1943	Pvt							Captain, USMCR
5 ANN ARBOR, MICH.	JOINED	DEC 31 1943	Pvt	2.5	3	3.1	5	5		Captain, USMCR
6 MD, NAVY V-12 UNIT	SEMI-AN	MAR 1 1944	Pvt. 1	2	3	3	5	5		Captain, USMCR
7 TRANS BY S/RS	Transferred	fr cl. III (d) TO cl. III (b)	PRIVATE							BOSS S. WILSON
8 3rd RB, TRNG. REGT, RDep	Joined	MAR 5 1944	PRIVATE							Capt. USMCR.
9 MCB, SAN DIEGO, CALIF.	It	MAY 3 1944	P.F.C.	3	3	3	5	5		BOSS S. WILSON Capt. USMCR.

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11 Co. C, BHqBn, MCB, San Diego, Calif.	Joined	MAY 3 1944	PVT							J. R. Hobbs, Jr. Capt USMCR
12 Co. C, BHqBn, MCB, San Diego, Calif.	It	MAY 13 1944	FM1cl	3.9	3.9	3.9	5	5		70. USMC.
13 4th Co, 3rd BN, 27th MAR, 5th Camp, Recruit Center	JOINED	MAY 13, 1944	FM1C							A. B. Stone 2d Lt.
14 4th Marine Division, FMF, 27th Marines	SEMI-AN	JUN 30 1944	FM-1/c	4	4	4	5	5		C. W. Beutner 2d Lt.
15 "H" and Bn, 27th Marines, FMF	SEMI-AN	DEC 31 1944	FM-1/c	4	4	4	5	5		P. Hall 2d Lt.
16 Co "H", 3rd BN, 27th MAR	"Died"	19 FEB 45	FM1/c	5	5	5	5	5		C. W. Beutner 1st Lt.
17 Co "H", 3rd BN, 27th MAR	"FINAL M"	19 FEB 45	FM1/c	3.8	4	4.2	5	5		1st Lt.
18						4		5	4.5	1st Lt.
19 KIA. 19 FEB 45 AT Iwo JIMA, Y.I., of "Wound, Gunshot (Head),										"Buried: 1 MAR 45 AT IWO
20 IJIMA, Y.I., in 5th Div. Cemetery, Plot 2, Row 12, Grave 526. CHARACTER: Excellent,										

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GRASS, R. A. Pl

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 OFFENSES.—Enter date, place, organization, offense, and punishment. Give date and hour from and to which a.o.l. or a.w.o.l.; courtmartial; desertion and known attending circumstances; rewards offered. All entries will be signed by commanding officer. Where no offenses are committed no entries will be made

Blank lined area for recording offenses.

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FURLOUGHS

FROM—	To—	DAYS	DATE OF RETURN	FROM—	To—	DAYS	DATE OF RETURN
22 Dec 43	28 Dec 43	7	28 Dec 43				

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GRASS, R. H.
 (Name and rank)
 Pfc.

3dBn, 27thMarines, 5thMarDiv.

Embarked aboard the U.S.S. ARTHUR MIDDLETON, 11 August, 1944 at San Diego, Calif. and sailed therefrom 12 August, 1944, arrived Hilo, Hawaii, T.H. 18 August, 1944 and disembarked 19 August, 1944.

Harvel B. Pope
HARVEL B. POPE,
2dLt., MCR, Adj.

HEADQUARTERS, 27th MARINES, 5th MARINE DIVISION, c/o FPO, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

Embarked aboard the USS SANDOVAL at Hilo, Hawaii, T.H., on 30 December, 1944 and sailed 31 December, 1944, therefrom. Debarked from the USS SANDOVAL at Iwo Jima V. I., on 19 February, 1945.

Donn J. Robertson
DONN J. ROBERTSON
LtCol. USMC

HEADQUARTERS, 27th MARINES, 5th MARINE DIVISION, c/o FPO, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

Grossed 180th Meridian on 31 January, 1945.

Clyde W. Shealy
CLYDE W. SHEALY,
1stLt, USMC.

LtCol

HEADQUARTERS, 27th MARINES, 5th MARINE DIVISION, c/o FPO, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

"Participated in the assault and capture of Iwo Jima, Volcano Islanda, as a member of the 5th Marine Division during the period 19 February, 1945 to ~~27~~ 19 March, 1945."

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Donn J. Robertson
DONN J. ROBERTSON
USMC

PAY ACCOUNT RECORD OF

Carass, Richard Anthony

(See instructions on page 28)

ORGANIZATION OR POST	BY WHOM PAID (Name of paymaster)	DATE INCLUSIVE TO WHICH LAST PAID OR SETTLED	BALANCE		ORGANIZATION OR POST	BY WHOM PAID (Name of paymaster)	DATE INCLUSIVE TO WHICH LAST PAID OR SETTLED	BALANCE	
			Overpaid	Unpaid				Overpaid	Unpaid
1 MD. NAVY V-12 UNIT ANN ARBOR, MICH.	T. E. MURPHY	JUL 31 1943	\$	50 -				\$	
2 MD. NAVY V-12 UNIT ANN ARBOR, MICH.	T. E. MURPHY	AUG 31 1943		43 60					
3 MD. NAVY V-12 UNIT ANN ARBOR, MICH.	T. E. MURPHY	SEP 30 1943		44 20					
4 MD. NAVY V-12 UNIT ANN ARBOR, MICH.	T. E. MURPHY	OCT 31 1943		37 55					
5 MD. NAVY V-12 UNIT ANN ARBOR, MICH.	T. E. MURPHY	NOV 30 1943		37 90					
6 MD. NAVY V-12 UNIT ANN ARBOR, MICH.	T. E. MURPHY	DEC 31 1943		42 80					
7 MD. NAVY V-12 UNIT ANN ARBOR, MICH.	T. E. MURPHY	JAN 31 1944		38 15					
8 MD. NAVY V-12 UNIT ANN ARBOR, MICH.	T. E. MURPHY	FEB 29 1944		15 50					
9 3rd Bn. 27th Marines Fifth Marine Division	J. H. RATH	APR 20 1944		1 03					
10 3rd Bn. 27th Marines Fifth Marine Division	<i>He Bock</i>	MAY 31 1944		60 38					
11 3rd Bn. 27th Marines Fifth Marine Division	D. W. SWANSON	JUN 30 1944		26 75					
12 3rd Bn. 27th Marines Fifth Marine Division	D. W. SWANSON	JUL 31 1944		28 08					
13 3rd Bn. 27th Marines, FMF	D. W. SWANSON	AUG 31 1944		36 27					

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14 3rd Bn. 27th Marines, FMF	D. W. SWANSON	SEP 30 1944		33 42					
15 3rd Bn. 27th Marines, FMF	D. W. SWANSON	OCT 31 1944		31 82					
16 3rd Bn. 27th Marines, FMF	D. W. SWANSON	NOV 30 1944		22					
17 3rd Bn. 27th Marines, FMF	D. W. SWANSON	DEC 31 1944		18 62					
18 3rd Bn. 27th Marines, FMF	D. W. SWANSON	JAN 31 1945		27 02					
19 3rd Bn. 27th Marines, FMF	D. W. SWANSON	19 Feb 45		68 06					
20	KILLED IN ACTION	19 Feb 45							
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PAY ACCOUNT RECORD OF

Crass, Richard Anthony

ORGANIZATION OR POST	BY WHOM PAID (Name of paymaster)	DATE INCLUSIVE TO WHICH LAST PAID OR SETTLED	BALANCE		ORGANIZATION OR POST	BY WHOM PAID (Name of paymaster)	DATE INCLUSIVE TO WHICH LAST PAID OR SETTLED	BALANCE	
			Overpaid	Unpaid				Overpaid	Unpaid
59			\$	\$	69			\$	\$
60					70				
61					71				
62					72				
63					73				
64					74				
65					75				
66					76				
67					77				
68					78				

NOTE.—Immediately after the payment of each monthly pay roll the commanding officer of Marines, charged with the keeping of this book, will, without delay, cause to be entered and verified, in the space above provided, a record of the payment or settlement as shown by the pay roll as audited and settled by the paymaster concerned. If there is no balance "Overpaid" or "Unpaid", the words "Paid in full" will be stamped through the space provided for "Balance." Upon the transfer of a man, the commanding officer will, at the time of transfer, see that proper entry as to date of last settlement, etc., as shown above is made, and that such entries agree with the pay roll upon which the last settlement appears.

GENERAL PAY DATA

Service Record						Time lost, articles 10-99 and 28-1 (15), Marine Corps Manual				
ENLISTED	DISCHARGED	CAUSE	DAYS LOST	MARINE CORPS AND BRANCH OF ARMY, NAVY, OR COAST GUARD	CHARACTER	FROM—	TO—	DAYS A.W.O.L.	DAYS MISCONDT.	DAYS CONF.
						No Time Lost Under NDGD #20 AS evidenced BY The Health Record Book <i>[Signature]</i>				

15LT.

Promotions and Reductions

KIND OF WARRANT	RANK	DATE PROMOTED	TO RANK FROM—	DATE AND CAUSE OF REDUCTION
Temp. Line	P.F.C.	MAY 2 1944	MAY 2 1944	
AUTA CMC	2LT. MA. MC	20.10.71	21 Feb. 44	
Tempo	FM1cl	MAY 13 1944	MAY 13 1944	

Total time lost.....

GENERAL PAY DATA OF

Crass, Richard Anthony

ALLOTMENT IN FAVOR OF—	PER MONTH	NUMBER MONTHS	DATE 1ST PAYMENT Month Year	EXPIRES Month Year	ORIGINALLY REGISTERED BY—	SHIP OR STATION	STOP'D LAST PAYMENT Month Year	CAUSE OF STOPPAGE
Treas. U. S. Vets. Adm.	\$ 40		JULY 1943		T. E. MURPHY	2ND INF. U. OF MICH. ANN ARBOR, MICH.	JANUARY, 1945	DEATH
<i>Means of U.S. Bond</i>	6.25	12	OCT -- 1943		T. E. MURPHY	MD. NAVY V-12 UNIT ANN ARBOR, MICH.	Sept. 1944	Expired
<i>Emma L. Crass, 3034 N. 2nd St. Milwaukee, Wis.</i>	30.00	Indef	Oct. 1944	Indef.	D.W. Swanson	3rd Bn, 27th MZ	JANUARY, 1945	DEATH

POST EXCHANGE INDEBTEDNESS

(To be used only in case of transfer)

DATE OF TRANSFER ¹	NAME OF EXCHANGE	AMOUNT DUE	REMARKS (If in excess of authorized allowance show cause of excess here)	DATE OF TRANSFER ¹	NAME OF EXCHANGE	AMOUNT DUE	REMARKS (If in excess of authorized allowance show cause of excess here)
		\$				\$	

¹If date of transfer is

(To be filled in by

DATE OF DEPOSIT	AMOUNT
	\$

(4) Note: If the bond is made payable to a beneficiary upon death of the applicant, do not fill out the blank for a co-owner; or vice-versa.

The monthly sum allotted for the purchase of a War Savings Bond may be in one of the following amounts ONLY: \$6.25, \$12.50, \$18.75, \$25.00, \$37.50, or \$75.00. Such sums will be applied to the purchase of a War Savings Bond under one of the two plans as follows:

MONTH

BOND A QUARTER

Monthly allotment of -
25.00

¹If date of transfer as given above is subsequent to date of last settlement as shown under "Pay Account Record", checkage must be

Name _____
 To be filled out only when discharge is effected BEFORE the book is forwarded to Headquarters.

Discharged at _____
 on _____, 19____, by reason of _____

Character: _____

In appropriate cases add "Awarded good-conduct medal (or good-conduct medal bar) No. _____ upon discharge."

To be filled out only when the book is forwarded for preparation of discharge certificate.

Closed and forwarded at _____
 on _____, 19____, by reason of _____

Recommended for character _____

_____, U.S.M.C.,

In appropriate cases add "Is (or, Is not) recommended for good-conduct medal (or good-conduct medal bar)."

Future address: _____

GRASS, R. A. Pfc. H
 (Name and rank)

Size	Articles	Date															
		On Hand	Drawn	Condemned	On Hand	Drawn	Condemned	On Hand	Drawn	Condemned	On Hand	Drawn	Condemned				
	Bags, clothing	1															
	Belts, dress, woven																
	Belts, service (w/o buckle)	1															
32	Belts, trousers, woven	1	1														
	Blankets, wool, green	2															
	Buckle, brass, service belt	1															
	Caps, dress																
	Caps, garrison, service, summer	2															
	Caps, garrison, service, winter	2															
	Clasp, collar																
	Coats, dress																
	Coats, service, winter	1															
	Coats, utility	2															
	Coveralls																
	Covers, cap, blue																
	Covers, cap, green	1															
	Covers, cap, khaki																
	Covers, cap, white																
	Drawers, cotton		6														
	Drawers, wool																
	Frames, cap	1															
	Gloves, cotton, prs																
	Gloves, leather lined, prs	1															
	Hats, field																
	Helmets, fiber																
	Leggings, prs	1															
	Ornaments, cap and hat, bronze																
	Ornaments, cap, gilt	2															
	Ornaments, collar, bronze, prs	1															
	Ornaments, collar, gilt, prs	2															
	Overcoats	1															
	Plates, waist																
	Scarfs, service, cotton	3															
	Shirts, cotton	6															
0	Shirts, flannel	0	2														
	Shoes, field, prs	2															
	Shoes, leather, prs																
	Socks, cotton, prs																
	Socks, wool, prs	6															
	Straps, head (f/field hat)																
	Trousers, dress																
	Trousers, service, summer	4															
	Trousers, service, winter	2															
	Trousers, utility	2															
	Trousers, white																
	Undershirts, cotton	6															
	Undershirts, wool																

On Hand

ASS, Richard A., Pvt.

(Name and rank)

Date	11/28/41								
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Size	Articles	On Hand	Drawn	Condemned	On Hand	Drawn	Condemned	On Hand	Drawn	Condemned	On Hand
	Bags, clothing	1									
	Belts, dress, woven										
30	Belts, service (w/o buckle)	1									
	Belts, trousers, woven										
	Blankets, wool, green		2								
	Buckle, brass, service belt	1									
	Caps, dress										
7	Caps, garrison, service, summer	2									
7	Caps, garrison, service, winter	2									
	Clasp, collar										
	Coats, dress										
3M	Coats, service, winter	1									
	Coats, utility	2									
	Coveralls										
	Covers, cap, blue										
	Covers, cap, green										
	Covers, cap, khaki										
	Covers, cap, white										
0	Drawers, cotton	6	2		3		8				
	Drawers, wool										
	Frames, cap										
11	Gloves, cotton, prs	1									
	Gloves, leather lined, prs										
	Hats, field										
	Helmets, fiber	1									
	Leggings, prs	1									
	Ornaments, cap and hat, bronze	1									
	Ornaments, cap, gilt										
	Ornaments, collar, bronze, prs	1									
	Ornaments, collar, gilt, prs										
35	Overcoats	1									
	Plates, waist										
	Scarfs, service, cotton	4									
0	Shirts, cotton	6									
	Shirts, flannel										
	Shoes, field, prs		2								
9C	Shoes, leather, prs	2									
115	Socks, cotton, prs	6			3		8				
	Socks, wool, prs										
	Straps, head (f/field hat)										
	Trousers, dress										
35	Trousers, service, summer	4									
35	Trousers, service, winter	2									
	Trousers, utility	2									
	Trousers, white										
0	Undershirts, cotton	6	2		3		8				
	Undershirts, wool										
36R	JACKET, FIELD	1									

Inspected by

NOTE.—Make one tally for each article drawn or condemned

NMC 631-QM

NMC 631-QM

NOTE.—Make one tally for each article drawn or condemned

Inspected by

Size	Articles	On Hand	Drawn	Condemned	On Hand	Drawn	Condemned	On Hand	Drawn	Condemned	On Hand
	Bags, clothing										
	Belts, dress, woven										
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	Blankets, wool, green										
	Buckle, brass, service belt										
	Blankets, wool, green										
	Socks, cotton, prs										
	Socks, wool, prs										
	Straps, head (f/field hat)										
	Trousers, dress										
	Trousers, service, summer										
	Trousers, service, winter										
	Trousers, utility										
	Trousers, white										
	Undershirts, cotton										
	Undershirts, wool										
	Shoes, field, prs										
	Shoes, leather, prs										
	Shirts, flannel										
	Shirts, cotton										
	Scarfs, service, cotton										
	Plates, waist										
	Overcoats										
	Ornaments, collar, gilt, prs										
	Ornaments, collar, bronze, prs										
	Ornaments, cap, gilt										
	Ornaments, cap and hat, bronze										
	Leggings, prs										
	Helmets, fiber										
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	Coats, utility										
	Coats, service, winter										
	Coats, dress										
	Clasp, collar										
	Caps, garrison, service, summer										
	Caps, garrison, service, winter										
	Caps, dress										
	Buckle, brass, service belt										
	Blankets, wool, green										
	Blankets, wool, green										
	Socks, cotton, prs										
	Socks, wool, prs										
	Straps, head (f/field hat)										
	Trousers, dress										
	Trousers, service, summer										
	Trousers, service, winter										
	Trousers, utility										
	Trousers, white										
	Undershirts, cotton										
	Undershirts, wool										

Date

Name _____

To be filled out only when discharge is effected BEFORE the book is forwarded to Headquarters.

Discharged at _____

on _____, 19____, by reason of _____

Character: _____

_____, U.S.M.C.,

In appropriate cases add "Awarded good-conduct medal (or good-conduct medal bar) No. _____ upon discharge."

To be filled out only when the book is forwarded for preparation of discharge certificate.

Closed and forwarded at _____

on _____, 19____, by reason of _____

Recommended for character _____

_____, U.S.M.C.,

In appropriate cases add "Is (or, Is not) recommended for good-conduct medal (or good-conduct medal bar)."

Future address: _____

Forms N.M.C. 782 and 782b to be pasted here

Issued *Rew.* Pack, and Mess Equipment.

Bucket and Padlock Issued
Gratuitous Issue

OCCUPATIONAL QUALIFICATION RECORD

GRASS, RICHARD ANTHONY
(Name in full, surname to left)

Age 17 years. Occupation STUDENT

How many years have you worked at it? 1 1/2

Name of last employer _____

Business _____

Address _____

Your weekly wage in this position, \$ _____

Describe the jobs or enterprises in which you exercised the greatest authority or leadership, such as foreman, manager, captain, etc. _____

In the columns below draw one line in black ink under those occupations at which you have worked; draw two lines under those at which you are an expert.

After each underlined occupation write in years column also the number of years (i. e., 1, 5, 9) of experience you have had in that occupation.

OCCUPATION	YRS.	OCCUPATION	YRS.
1 Aerial cameraman, still camera		42 Motorcycle mechanic	
2 Aerial photographic laboratory technician		43 Painter, general	
3 Aerial phototopographer		44 Painter, sign	
4 Airplane engine mechanic		45 Painter, sign letterer	
5 Airplane fabric and dope worker		46 Parachute mechanic	
6 Airplane mechanic		47 Photographer, amateur, expert	
7 Armorer		48 Photographer, camera-man, still	
8 Automobile electrician		49 Plumber, general	
9 Automobile mechanic, Diesel engine		50 Power man, telephone	
10 Automobile mechanic, general		51 Radiator repairman	
11 Baker		52 Radio electrician	
12 Barber		53 Radio operator, amateur	
13 Blacksmith, general		54 Radio operator, commercial	
14 Blacksmith, tool		55 Rigger, general	
15 Blaster and powderman		56 Rodman and chainman, survey	
16 Blueprinter		57 Sheet-metal worker	
17 Bricklayer, general		58 Shovel operator, gas engine	
18 Bridge carpenter		59 Stenographer	
19 Butcher		60 Stone mason	
20 Cable splicer, telephone and telegraph		61 Storage battery electrician	
21 Carpenter, general		62 Student, chemical engineering	
22 Chief clerk		63 Student, civil engineering	
23 Clerk, general		64 Student, electrical engineering	
24 Clerk, postal or mail		65 Student, mechanical engineering	
25 Construction foreman		66 Surveyor, general	
26 Cook		67 Switchboard installer, manual, telephone and telegraph	
27 Cordage worker		68 Tailor	
28 Draftsman, general		69 Telephone and telegraph lineman	
29 Draftsman, topographical		70 Tire repairer	
30 Electrician, general		71 Tractor driver	
31 Engineman, gas, oil, and gasoline		72 Truck driver	
32 Filter operator, water supply		73 Typist	
33 Horse trainer		74 Upholsterer	
34 Instrument maker		75 Welder, electric arc	
35 Line surveyor, telephone and telegraph		76 Welder, oxyacetylene	
36 Linotype or monotype operator		77 Well driller	
37 Lithographer, general		78 Wire chief, telephone and telegraph	
38 Machinist, general		79 Wireworker	
39 Mechanic, general			
40 Mess sergeant			
41 Meteorologist			

If you are an expert in any occupation not listed above, write it here _____

Outline any previous military experience (including C. C. C.) you have had, give period of service, rank or grade, and organization.

SCHOOLING: Grade reached in school SENIOR - HIGH SCHOOL

Years in high school 3 1/2 Did you graduate? No

Years in college 0 Did you graduate? _____

Subjects of specialization _____ Did you graduate? _____

Years in technical school _____ Did you graduate? _____

Name course(s) pursued _____

Do you speak a foreign language well? No

Any other languages? _____ (insert language)

Describe any talent you have in furnishing public entertainment _____

SING. + PLAY TRUMPET

List any hobbies, pertaining to any subject listed on page 36, with years of experience and indicate by underlining in red ink in the same manner as specified for occupation.

~~Married~~ Number of children NONE

Richard Anthony Grass
(Signature of recruit)

Date 15 FEBRUARY, 1943

(Initials of officer)

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

CASUALTY STAT
NOTED

From: 3rd Battalion, 27th Marines, 5th Marine Division, FPO

To: Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Navy Department, Washington, D. C.

(See Circular Letter E-6, Appendix D, Manual of the Medical Department, for instructions)

1. Name GRASS, Richard Anthony (548919) USMC Rank or rate MA/1

2. Born: Place Milwaukee, Wis. Date 5-10-25

3. Nationality White U.S. Religion Catholic
(White—U. S., Colored, Samoan, etc.) (Denomination)

4. Eyes Hazel Hair Brn Complexion Fair Height 68 1/2" Weight 140

5. Marks, scars, etc. (noted in health record) 3 1/2" forehead, 1 1/2" anterior surr

of neck, 1 1/2" rt upper thorax, 9 1/2" rt upper tibia, 3 1/2" post surr. lt. Thigh

3 1/2" rt Hand.

FINGERPRINT

State which finger Rt. Index
(Right index preferred)

6. Relation, name and address of next of kin or friend Father, Joseph Peter Grass

3024 N 2nd Street

Milwaukee, Wis.

7. Original admission: Place 3rd Bn, 27th Mar, 5th Marine Div Date 2-10-45

(Ship or station to which attached when first admitted to sick list)

8. Died: Place Iwo Jima, V.I. Date 2-10-45 Hour

9. Cause of death Principal Wound, Gunshot (Head) Key Letter X

Contributory

10. Death is not the result of own misconduct and is in the line of duty.

(Is or is not)

(Is or is not)

11. Disposition of remains Buried 5th Marine Division Cemetery, Iwo Jima, V.I.

Plot #2, Row #12, Grave #526.

12. Summary of facts relative to the death:

- 1. Within Command.
 - 2. Work.
 - 3. Negligence not apparent.
 - 4. Killed in action against an organized enemy (Japanese) on Iwo Jima, V.I.
- finger prints and tooth chart unavailable. Body decomposed when received.

Summary of facts—Continued

File
(12/3)

1. Description of patient's condition at time of admission to hospital.

2. Description of patient's condition at time of discharge.

3. Description of patient's condition at time of death.

4. Description of patient's condition at time of autopsy.

5. Description of patient's condition at time of burial.

6. Description of patient's condition at time of cremation.

7. Description of patient's condition at time of interment.

8. Description of patient's condition at time of exhumation.

9. Description of patient's condition at time of reinterment.

10. Description of patient's condition at time of reburial.

11. Description of patient's condition at time of reinterment.

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19. Description of patient's condition at time of reinterment.

20. Description of patient's condition at time of reburial.

CHARLES J. HEALY (Medical officer), Lt. (Jr.) (Rank), M. C., U. S. Navy. Re

Approved: Court of inquiry or board of investigation Will not be held.
(Will or will not)

DOM J. ROBERTSON (Commanding officer), Lt. Col., USMC (Rank), U. S. Navy

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Grass RA

From: 3rd Battalion, 27th Marines, 5th Marine Division, FMP.

To: Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Navy Department, Washington, D. C.
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FINGERPRINT

State which finger _____
(Right index preferred)

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(Is or is not) (Is or is not)

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SEARCHED INDEXED
544919

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J. Miller

Summary of facts—Continued

CHARLES J. HELY

(Medical officer)

Lt.(jg)

(Rank)

M. C., U. S. Navy. ^R

Approved: Court of inquiry or board of investigation will not be held.

(Will or will not)

DONN J. ROBERTSON

(Commanding officer)

Lt. Col.USMC

(Rank)

U. S. Navy.

544919
Headquarters, Third Battalion,
Twenty-seventh Marines,
Fifth Marine Division,
c/o FPO, San Francisco, California.

8 May, 1945.

Dear Mr. Grass:

There is little that can be said to help relieve the mental agony of losing someone so dear as a son, however, I'd like to express my sincerest regrets in this dark hour.

Your son was a fine example of American manhood. He was well liked by all that knew him and his personal courage was an inspiration. May it be a consolation to you that he died serving our country.

Richard was killed on the night of February 19, 1945. The company to which he belonged had been ashore several hours and they were receiving many casualties from the Japanese artillery. Richard was instantly killed by an artillery shell. He was later buried in Plot 2, Row 12, Grave 526, Fifth Marine Division Cemetery, on Iwo Jima.

Please accept the heartfelt sympathies of all the officers and men of this organization. If I may be able to assist you in any way, please do not fail to contact me.

DONN J. ROBERTSON,
Lt. Col., USMC,
Commanding.

Mr. Joseph P. Grass,
3024 North 2nd Street,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

REC-10-RECORDED

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RESTRICTED

AIRMAIL BRIEF
NOTIFYING REPORT OF DEATH

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED

From: CG 5TH MARINE DIVISION

Info: MARCORPS, WashDC.
CG, FMF, Pac.

To : SECNAV

Copy to: Base Echelon
Org man concerned
File.

Date: 26 APRIL 1945

1920

IN REPLYING REFER TO AIRMAIL BRIEF SERIAL NO. _____

Kim 19 Feb 45

NAME IN FULL: RICHARD ANTHONY GRASS

SERIAL NO: 541919

GL

ORGANIZATION: "H" 3DBN, 27TH MARINES

RANK: FM1C
USMC

DATE OF DEATH: 19 FEBRUARY 1945

BRANCH OF SERVICE

PLACE OF DEATH: IWO JIMA

HEADQUARTERS U. S. MARINE CORPS
WASHINGTON, D. C.
DATE

CAUSE OF DEATH: KILLED IN ACTION

MAY 17 1945

DEATH DUE TO OWN MISCONDUCT: (YES) (NO) (UNDETERMINED)

The classification
of this document is
heroby changed to
RESTRICTED

FULL NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN:
EMMA LOUISE GRASS
3024 N. 2ND ST.
MILWAUKEE, WIS.

RELATIONSHIP: MOTHER

NEXT OF KIN NOT NOTIFIED.

L. P. ...

DISPOSITION OF REMAINS: BURIED 5TH MARDIV CEMETERY 1 MARCH 1945,
PLOT 2 ROW 12 GRAVE 526.

Captain, USMC

PAY PER MONTH (Base pay): \$64.80

CASUALTY STAT
NOTED *wel*

NAME AND ADDRESS OF BENEFICIARY: SAME AS NEXT OF KIN.

RECORDED

file

GOVERNMENT LIFE INSURANCE (MSI, etc) AND DATE TO WHICH PREMIUMS HAVE BEEN PAID:
AMOUNT: \$ 10,000 LAST INSTALLMENT PAID (Month): FEBRUARY

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: SER-NO-RECORDED

ROBERT M. HENDRICKSON,
CWO, USMC, DIVCASOFF.

AUTHENTICATED: _____ RELEASED BY: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: Prepare this AIRMAIL BRIEF in sextuplicate, plus one additional
copy for each file in excess of one.

RECEIVED
CASUALTY STAT
PERSONNEL

RESTRICTED

NAVY DEPARTMENT

D. O. Vou. No. _____
Bu. Vou. No. _____

PUBLIC CHECKER FOR 6 MONTHS' DEATH GRATUITY PAY

(Act June 4, 1920, 41 Stat. 824, as amended,
and regulations pursuant thereto.)

PAID BY

Appropriation 1751702
(Symbol)

PM Dept, Hq MarCorps
(Address)

S. F. B. WOOD
CAPTAIN, A.P.M., U.S.M.C.
(For use of paying office)

THE UNITED STATES, Dr.,

To* (3) Emma Louise Grass
(Name of Payee)

3024 North Second Street,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
(Address)

* Pursuant to the Act of June 4, 1920, 41 Stat. 824, as amended, the gratuity may be paid to claimants only in the following order:

- (1) Widow.
- (2) Child or children, there being no widow.
- (3) Other previously designated dependent relative, there being no widow, or child.
- (4) Undesignated dependent grandparent, parent, sister, or brother, there being no widow, child, or previously designated dependent relative.

The numerals shown above in parentheses are to be used before payee's name, to denote the class status of the payee.

COMPUTATION OF DEATH GRATUITY

Name of Deceased Richard Anthony Grass File or Service Number 544919

Date of Death 19Feb45

Rank or Rating at Time of Death PM1c Service for Longevity _____

Base Pay Plus Longevity \$ 54.00 ✓

Additional Pay S&FSD \$ 10.80 ✓

Additional Pay _____ \$ _____

Additional Pay _____ \$ _____

TOTAL PAY PER MONTH \$ 64.80 ✓

SIX MONTHS' DEATH GRATUITY PAY \$ 388.80 ✓

Attached hereto are the official report of death bearing certificate that the person(s) named thereon as beneficiary(ies) has (have) qualified as such, and claimant's(s') signed application(s) for gratuity payment(s); also the following if so indicated by X mark:

- 1. Beneficiary slip(s).
- 2. Affidavit(s) of more distant relative(s) and corroborating witness(es).

Return to Legal Division after pmt.

MEMORANDUM

388.80 ✓

16Apr45

THOMAS J. CHANDLER
Maj, USMC *mc*

Paid by Check No. 24288 dated APR 18 1945, 19____, for \$ 388.80 { on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.

U S M C CASUALTY REPORT

DATE 16Mar45 CARD no CAS. NO. 019823

NAME GRASS, Richard Anthony		RANK FMlc	CLASS USMCR	IDENT. NO. 544919	
ORGANIZATION Co H/3 Bn/27 Mar/5 Mar Div FME		TYPE OF CASUALTY KIA	AREA Pac	DATE OF CASUALTY 19Feb45	
DATE APPT./ENLIST 15Feb43	PLACE OF APPT./ENLIST Milwaukee, Wis.	DATE ACTIVE DUTY 1Jul43	PRIOR SER. MISC. STA. no	MARITAL S	RACE W
DATE OF BIRTH 10May25	PLACE OF BIRTH Milwaukee, Wis.	LEGAL RESIDENCE Milwaukee, Wisconsin			AVCAD
NEXT OF KIN Mr. & Mrs. Joseph P. Grass		RELATION prnt	ADDRESS OF KIN 3024 N. 2nd Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin		

BENEFICIARY (Name and Address) **DOB: Mrs. Emma L. Grass (mother)**
same address as above

PLACE OF CASUALTY Iwo, Volcano Is.	NATURE OF WOUND	PRESENT STATUS
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REMARKS (Additional Information - Disposition of Remains)

DATE AND SOURCE OF REPORT **AMB#1014 fr CG 5MarDiv to SECNAV dtd**
2Mar45 CasRep#13 Rec'd CASDIV 13Mar45 CREATED
50 Mar 17

NAME GRASS, Richard Anthony	RANK FMlc	CLASS USMCR	IDENT. NO. 544919
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APR 12 1945

BENEFICIARIES FOR DEATH GRATUITY	
Emma Louise Grass, mother	
3024 North Second Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin	
Were the above named beneficiaries designated by the deceased? yes..... (Yes or No)	I certify that the records of Headquarters, Marine Corps show that the above named beneficiary (beneficiaries) of the subject officer or enlisted person has (have) qualified to receive the death gratuity provided by the Act of 4 June 1920, 41 Stat. 824, as amended, and that the conditions and requirements of applicable law and regulations have been satisfied.

FILE-A.A.S.

D. HOUPH
Major USMC
81C Casualty Division
Personnel Department

Recorded
4/16/45
mW

STATE OF WISCONSIN

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE

544919

Personally appeared before me, this 2nd. (Day)

of April, 1945, Emma Louise Grass,
(Month) (Name of Affiant)

who deposes and says:

I am the mother of Richard Anthony Grass
(Relationship) (Name of

Field Musician 1st Class U. S.
Marine) (Rank)

Marine Corps, deceased, and decedent is not survived by a widow.

If later records show that the decedent is in fact survived by a widow, I hereby agree to refund any monies which I may hereafter receive as beneficiary of the six months' gratuity on the death of the aforesaid Richard Anthony Grass deceased.

Emma Louise Grass
(Signature of Affiant)

(S E A L)

Joseph P. Grass
(Notary Public)

My commission expires: Sept. 8th, 1946

544919
DGU-893-fez

INITIALS

<input type="checkbox"/>	Asst CMC
<input type="checkbox"/>	Secy
<input type="checkbox"/>	Legal Aide
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<input type="checkbox"/>	QM
<input type="checkbox"/>	P M
<input type="checkbox"/>	Avia
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pub Rel
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dir Pers
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exec Off
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dir MCWR
<input type="checkbox"/>	Div of Res
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exec Div
<input type="checkbox"/>	Research
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rehab
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Enl Perf
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Morale
<input type="checkbox"/>	Insp & Ex
<input type="checkbox"/>	Invest
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mess Mgmt
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chief Detail Br
<input type="checkbox"/>	Off Detail
<input type="checkbox"/>	Enl Detail
<input type="checkbox"/>	Class
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chief Rec Stat Br
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stat
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ident
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hist
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mail & File
<input type="checkbox"/>	War Bond

22 March, 1945.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Grass:

It is a source of profound regret to me and to his comrades in the Marine Corps that your son, Field Music First Class Richard Anthony Grass, U. S. Marine Corps Reserve, lost his life in action against the enemies of his country and I wish to express my deepest sympathy to you and members of your family in your great loss.

There is little I can say to lessen your grief but it is my earnest hope that the knowledge of your son's splendid record in the service and the thought that he nobly gave his life in the performance of his duty may in some measure comfort you in this sad hour.

Sincerely yours,

A. A. VANDEGRIFT,
Lieutenant General, U.S.M.C.,
Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Grass,
3024 North Second Street,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS
AND REFER TO NO.
544919
DGU-296-vmr



HEADQUARTERS U. S. MARINE CORPS
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

29 March, 1945.

My dear **Mrs. Grass:**

There is enclosed an application for six months' death gratuity in the case of your, **son** the late **Field Musician First Class Richard Anthony Grass, U.S.M.C.R.**, to be executed by you as indicated and returned to this office at your earliest convenience. When signing this form please use your full given name.

Sincerely yours,

Enc: (2)

JOSEPHUS DANIELS, JR.,
Captain, U. S. Marine Corps.

ju
Mrs. Emma L. Grass,
3024 North Second Street,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

544919
DGP-swb

APR 6 1945

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Grass:

I am directed by the Commandant of the Marine Corps to inform you that you are entitled to the Purple Heart and the inclosed Purple Heart Certificate which were posthumously awarded your son, the late Field Musician First Class Richard A. Grass, U. S. Marine Corps Reserve, in the name of the President of the United States and by direction of the Secretary of the Navy. The Purple Heart which is being engraved will be forwarded to you within the next two months.

You are also entitled to the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal for your son's service in the Asiatic-Pacific Area. The medal will not be ready for issuance until six months after the war, and it is requested that you make application to this office for the award at that time.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. O'NEIL,
Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps.

Inclosure: 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Grass,
3024 North Second Street,
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ACCOLADE SENT

MAR 22 1945

GRAVE LOCATION
CARD SENT

MAY 1 1945

TELEGRAM

(KIA)

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER **544919**

DGU-296 - **hms**

FROM: COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS

TO: **MR & MRS JOSEPH P GRASS (PARENTS)**

3024 NORTH SECOND STREET

MILWAUKEE WISCONSIN

DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR

RELATIONSHIP
RANK-NAME
CLASSIFICATION

SON FIELD MUSICIAN FIRST CLASS RICHARD A GRASS USMC

WAS KILLED IN ACTION

(DATE-LOCATION)

19 FEBRUARY 1945 AT IWO JIMA VOLCANO ISLANDS

IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTY AND SERVICE OF HIS COUNTRY. WHEN INFORMATION IS RECEIVED REGARDING BURIAL YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED. TO PREVENT POSSIBLE AID TO OUR ENEMIES DO NOT DIVULGE THE NAME OF HIS SHIP OR STATION. PLEASE ACCEPT MY HEARTFELT SYMPATHY. LETTER FOLLOWS.

RELEASED BY

M G CRAIG

DATE

17 MARCH 1945

**A A VANDEGRIFT
LIEUT GENERAL USMC
COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS**

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IN REPLYING
REFER TO NO.

2165/544919
RAG-hja.

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
COMPANY "H", 3RD BATTALION, 27TH MARINES,
c/o FLEET POST OFFICE, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

3 October 1944.

From: Field Music First Class Richard A. GRASS,
(544919) U.S. Marine Corps Reserve.
To: The Commandant of the Marine Corps.
Via: (1) Commanding Officer, Company "H",
3rd Battalion, 27th Marines.
(2) Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion,
27th Marines, 5th Marine Division.
(3) Commanding Officer, 27th Marines,
5th Marine Division.
(4) Commanding General, 5th Marine Division.

Subject: Change of rank, request for.

1. It is requested that my rank be changed from Field Music First Class to Private First Class; that I be assigned to duty as "Line Personnel".

2. Although I have diligently applied myself to practice, I find I am unable to obtain sufficient proficiency with the trumpet to enable me to properly execute the duties of a Field Music.

Richard A. Grass
RICHARD A. GRASS.

Serial 1476 ✓ 1st Endorsement. 3 October 1944.
COMPANY "H", 3RD BATTALION, 27TH MARINES.

From: The Commanding Officer.
To: The Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion,
27th Marines, 5th Marine Division.

1. Forwarded, recommending approval.

Ralph F. Hall
RALPH F. HALL.

CO, 3rd Bn., 27th Mar.

Donn J. Robertson
October 4, 1944.
DONN J. ROBERTSON

SER-NO-RECORDED

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2165-15-dgc

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER
MARINE CORPS BASE
SAN DIEGO 41, CALIFORNIA

2 May, 1944

Base Promotion Order)

Number.....192-44)

Reference: (a) CMC Serial MC-201071, dated 21Feb44.

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following named men, attached to Recruit Depot, are promoted to the rank indicated effective 2 May, 1944, to rank from 2 May, 1944.

No.	Rank Promoted to:	Name	Serial Number	Type of Warrant
1.	PFC., USMCR....	ANDERSON, Harland Norbert.	541528.	Line Duty (temp)
2.	PFC., USMCR....	BARACH, Bernard David.	535388.	Line Duty (temp)
3.	PFC., USMCR....	BEVERIDGE, Richard Lyle.	545090.	Line Duty (temp)
4.	PFC., USMCR....	BIRCH, John Willis.	485163.	Line Duty (temp)
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HOME ADDRESS: 3024 North 2nd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
 DATE OF BIRTH: 10May25
 ENLISTMENT PLACE: Milwaukee, Wisconsin
 MARITAL STATUS: single
 DATE: 15Feb43
 SOURCE: III(d) Secondary School
 PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS: YES NO DEFECT WAIVED:

SCHOOL ATTENDED: Wauwatosa Senior High
 ORDERED FROM: 3024 North 2nd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
 DATE: 1Jul43

COURSE PURSUED: Basic

SCHOOL ASSIGNED: Univ. of Michigan

NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	COLLEGE TERMS									
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
GRASS, Richard Anthony	544919			/	/						

GRASS, Richard Anthony

10 May 25

NAME

BIRTH DATE

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

SCHOOL ASSIGNED: Univ. of Michigan

COURSES TAKEN

FILE

BHG

ACHIEVEMENT

VERB: 6 SOC'L: 8 MATH: 8 PHYS: 7 MECH: TOTAL: 8

SCREEN SCORE:

TEST SCORES:

GENERAL CLASSIFICATION TEST: 124 ma-133

REMARKS: 1 Mar 44 Trans to SD for schol reasons. Papers sent to file. (vah)

FINAL DISPOSITION:

GRASS, Richard A.
Ind 15Feb43.
Taken 15^Mar44.



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RECOMMENDATION FOR SEPARATION OF A
STUDENT FROM THE NAVY V-12 PROGRAM

Student's Name Serial No. Rate V-12 Unit
GRASS, Richard A. 544919 Pvt.USMCR University of Michigan.
College Record

(Attach complete academic transcript, if available. Otherwise indicate Student's major academic interest or type of candidacy, with courses and grades for the current or immediately preceding academic term.)

<u>Subjects</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Grading System</u>
Math. II	E	D and E unsatisfactory
Physics II	E	
English II	D	
History II	E	
Naval Organisation II	B	
Geog. 181	C	

Adequacy of high-school or other previous academic preparation.

Good

Intelligence

Good

Application and interest

Good

Other factors, such as illness, death in the family, etc., which may have affected success in academic work.

None

Student's character and officer-like qualities.

Poor

Recommendation of academic authorities (May be attached on separate sheet).

To be separated from the program for low grades.

15 Feb 43 9RD
Milwaukee, Wis.
5-44919
OK 1-8-44

Secondary

**APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO CANDIDATES' CLASS FOR
COMMISSION, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE**

Date Feb. 13, 1943

Name Richard Anthony Grass
(Print or typewrite)

Address 3024 N. 2nd Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Date of birth May 10, 1925 Place of birth Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Marital status Single

Next of kin; relationship, address, place of birth Joseph P. Grass Father

3024 N. 2nd Street St. Francis, Wisconsin

College or university

Your mailing address at college

Date of graduation Degree

College major:

Language	Foreign Language Proficiency		
	Speaking	Reading	Writing

Extra-curricular activities Football, basketball, student council, and student patrol

Previous military experience None

Are you a member of any Military Organization? No If so, explain

Height 5'8 1/2" Weight 155 Eyes Hazel Hair Dark Brown Complexion Fair

Do you use glasses? No If so, explain

Have you had any serious illness, injuries, or operations? Yes

If so, explain Had pneumonia when nine

If you are under twenty-one years of age, can you obtain your parents' or guardian's consent to your enlistment? Yes

I hereby certify that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Richard A. Grass Applicant.



Richard Anthony GRASS
(date taken 13Feb43)



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
MARINE CORPS
OFFICER PROCUREMENT OFFICE
2050 Board of Trade Bldg., 141 West Jackson Blvd.
CHICAGO, ILL.

My dear Sir:

In connection with the enlistment of men between the ages of 17 and 18 years in the Marine Corps Reserve for the purpose of being available for Officers' Candidate Training, you have undoubtedly set up a Faculty Board to determine the fitness of these men desiring to enter the program. Since many of the schools have already closed for the holidays, it is impractical to send out an officer to contact the Boards at this time. It is suggested, if any member of the Faculty Board has occasion to be in, or near, Chicago, that he visit us at the above address. We shall be most happy to discuss all aspects of whatever problems you may have.

If it is impossible to have a member of your staff visit us, we shall arrange to have an officer meet with you shortly after the current vacation.

We shall be most happy to hear from you in the meantime concerning any questions you may have.

Sincerely yours,

PAUL B. RICKARD
Officer in Charge

WAUWATOSA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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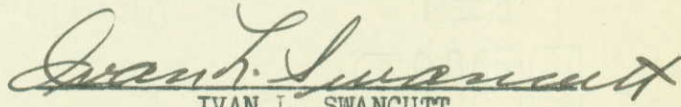
June 15, 1943

John B. Hill, Lieutenant Colonel
United States Marines
Assistant Officer in Charge of Officer Procurement
Division Headquarters, United States Marine Corps
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Referring to No. DHA-498-WA, this is to certify that Richard
Anthony Grass is a graduate of Wauwatosa High School in the
class of June 11, 1943.

Very truly yours,


IVAN L. SWANCUTT
Principal

ILS:B

18 June, 1943.
Received this date
JAH.



Certificate of Birth Registration

This Certifies that, a certificate of birth is on file at this office bearing the

Name Richard Anthony Grass Born on May 10-1925
Father Joseph P. Grass Mother Emma Wantz

Milwaukee Health Department

No. of Certificate

4467

John P. Koehler M.D.

Commissioner of Health

Geo. B. Adams

Deputy Registrar

The Clarke Street School Social Center

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

DIRECTORS:
CLARENCE C. KRAUSE
KENNETH E. BEERS

2816 WEST CLARKE STREET
Phone Kilbourn 0785

February 13, 1943

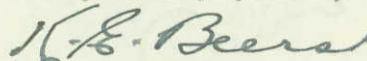
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that I have known Mr. Richard Grass for about seven years. For nearly six years the Grass family were our neighbors, in Wauwatosa, and since the sixth grade Richard has been in elementary and high school classes with my son. I have come to know him, intimately, so I take pleasure in writing this reference letter in regard to his character.

Richard has been a fine, clean young man, and has rated very high with his associates. He has a very fine personality and excellent moral habits and it has been a pleasure to have him associate with my son.

As intimated, I consider Richard Grass to have a fine spiritual and moral character and I am sure that he will be a credit to any group with which he is associated. He is a real American - a patriotic citizen.

Very truly yours,



Kenneth E. Beers
Director

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR
REV. T. McQUESTION

CHAIRMAN
ED. EIFF

SEC'Y-TREASURER
B. H. WESTFAHL

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SCOUTMASTER
S. B. BOBLICK

ASS'T SCOUTMASTER
J. C. BOBLICK



MILWAUKEE ST. THOMAS WISCONSIN
AQUINAS

Feb. 12, 1943

To whom it may concern:

Richard Grass, of 324 N. 2nd St., Milwaukee, Wis., has my unconditional recommendation for service in the Armed Forces of our Country.

As Scoutmaster of Troop 103, I have known him since 1937. He was an outstanding member of our Troop for four years, and during all my association with him, I have never observed any trait or habit which should be made known. On the contrary, I recommend him without reservation of any kind. I feel sure that his strict observance of the Scout ideals should make him acceptable in the Service which he desires.

Sincerely yours,

Boblick

Charles Boblick
Scoutmaster, Troop 103



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February 11, 1943

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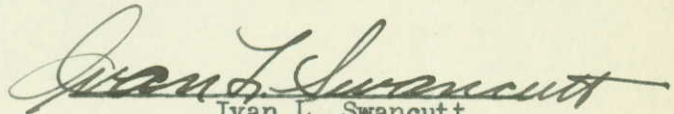
This is to certify that Richard Anthony Grass is a student at Wauwatosa High School, scheduled to graduate June 11, 1943.

Mr. Grass has a scholastic average of 81, which is slightly below the average for the class.

While in school he has participated in basketball. He has also been manager for football and track. Outside of school he has carried paper routes, worked at a filling station, and has caddied.

Mr. Grass is an intelligent young man of good character and I believe he is entirely reliable.

Very truly yours,


Ivan L. Swancutt
Principal

ILS:B

S. G. Boughey

MEDICAL DIVISION

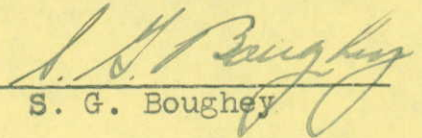
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CITY Wauwatosa, Wis.DATE Febr. 13, 19 43

Attention of _____ Reply to Letter Dated _____

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

I have know Mr. Richard Grass for the past six years. I am pleased to recommend him as a person of high moral, religious and industrious character.


S. G. Boughey

2110 N. 68th St.,
Wauwatosa, Wisconsin.

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April 28, 1943

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

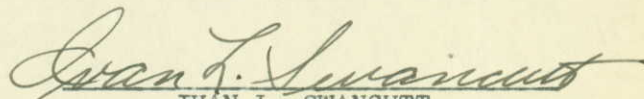
This is to certify that Mr. Richard Grass is a student of Wauwatosa High School scheduled to graduate at the end of summer school, 1943.

Mr. Grass is a fair student. Tests indicate that he has better than average ability.

He has been manager for the football, basketball, and track teams. He has also played some basketball himself. Outside of school he has carried a paper route, worked as a caddie, and has taken care of a filling station.

Mr. Grass seems to be a practical minded youth who always gets along well with the students. There is no question as to his loyalty and I believe he is entirely responsible.

Very truly yours,



IVAN L. SWANCUTT
Principal

ILS:B

Name - Richard A. Grass
 Home Address - 3024 N. 2nd Street Milwaukee, Wis.
 Name of School - Wauwatosa Senior High
 School Address - 1733 Wauwatosa Avenue
 Date of Graduation - June 11, 1943

Name of railroad having passenger service from point from which transportation is desired. (If you do not live near a railway station, show name of bus line having connections with nearest railroad):

Chicago - Milwaukee - St. Paul & Pacific - Chicago
Northwestern

Eng.	= 3 1/2	Standing	- 27/in 372
Math.	= 2	Grade Average	- C
Lang.	= 0	Remarks	- average
Soc. Sci.	= 2 1/2	Assign.	A
Science	= 4 p/c		PK
<u>Total</u>	<u>12 3/2</u>		
Others			

Name - Richard a. Brass
Home Address - 3024 n. 2nd st. Milwaukee, wis.
Name of School - Wauwatosa High School
School Address - 1732 Wauwatosa Avenue
Date of Graduation - June 11, 1943

Name of railroad having passenger service from point from which transportation is desired. (If you do not live near a railway station, show name of bus line having connections with nearest railroad): - - - - -

Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul - Chicago Northwestern

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
THE COMMANDANT, U. S. MARINE CORPS
AND REFER TO No.

544919
AF-260-ss



HEADQUARTERS U. S. MARINE CORPS
WASHINGTON

28 April, 1943.

MEMORANDUM TO THE COMMANDANT, U. S. MARINE CORPS:

Subject: Waiver of no natural anatomical left molar occlusion and no functional left molar occlusion indicated, for retention in the Marine Corps Reserve and assignment to the College Training Program, case of Private Richard A. GRASS, (544919), USMCR.

1. Waiver recommended.

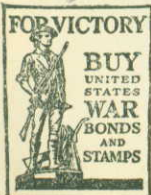
Clark W. Thompson
CLARK W. THOMPSON
(Acting) *gth*

APPROVED

FM

[Signature]

DISAPPROVED: _____



R:MLS

P3-2541073

February 24, 1943

From: The Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.
To: The Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps.
Subject: Physical fitness for appointment to Candidates' Class
for Commission, U. S. Marine Corps Reserve in the case
of Richard Anthony GRASS.

1. It is recommended that the findings of the medical examiner, dated February 15, 1943, be disapproved and that Richard Anthony Grass be found NOT physically qualified for appointment to Candidates' Class for Commission, U. S. Marine Corps Reserve by reason of no natural anatomical left molar occlusion and no functional left molar occlusion indicated.

ROSS T. McINTIRE
Chief of Bureau

W. F. Berberich
W. F. BERBERICH
By direction

REPORT OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Purpose of this examination Candidates Class Secondary Sch. Date of examination 2-15-43
 Place of duty Civil Life Place of examination USMC Ind&RS, Milwaukee, Wisc.
 Name GRASS, Richard Anthony Rank _____ Corps _____
(Surname first, Christian names in full)
 Place of birth Milwaukee, Wisconsin Date of birth May 10, 1925
 Family history no history of familial diseases

History of illness or injury measles, chicken pox, pneumonia and empyema at age of 9; fracture of right wrist in 1936; tonsillectomy in childhood

Head and face normal

Eyes: Pupils (size, shape, reaction to light and distance, etc.) round, regular, equal, react to L&A

Distant vision Rt. 20 /20, corrected to _____ /20 by _____

Lt. 20 /20, corrected to _____ /20 by _____

Binocular vision _____ Color perception Normal, 1940 Edit., AOC
(Without lenses—Recorded only when visual defects exist) (State edition of Stilling's plates used)

Disease or anatomical defects none

Ears: Hearing Rt. Watch 40 /40" Coin click 20 /20' Whispered voice 15 /15' Spoken voice 15 /15'

Lt. Watch 40 /40" Coin click 20 /20' Whispered voice 15 /15' Spoken voice 15 /15'

Binaural _____ /15'. Disease or defects none
(Spoken voice)

Nose normal (Disease or anatomical defect, obstruction, etc. State degree)

Sinuses normal

Tongue, palate, pharynx, larynx, tonsils tonsils surgically absent

Teeth and gums (disease or anatomical defect): normal

Missing teeth 1, 14, 16, 17, 18, 31, 32
(List numbers)

Nonvital teeth none
(List numbers)

Periapical disease no
(Degree)

Marked malocclusion no
(Yes or no)

Lack of serviceable occlusion no
(Yes or no)

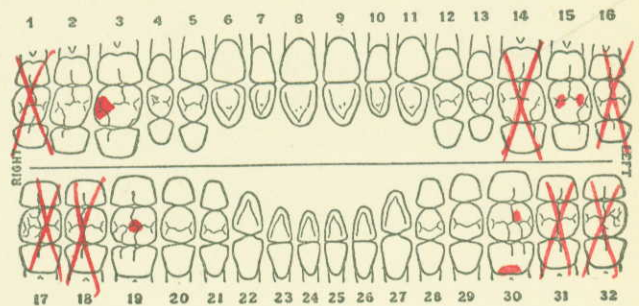
Pyorrhea alveolaris no
(Degree)

Teeth replaced by bridges none
(List numbers)

Meets dental requirements yes
(Yes or no)

Dentures none
(Description)

Mark missing teeth by X whether replaced or not. Show size and position of caries in black, use red to indicate fillings and restorations.



(Signature of dental examiner)

General build and appearance slender, erect
(State whether slender, medium, or heavy, and postural abnormalities)

Temperature 98.6 Chest at expiration 33 1/2

Height 68 1/2 Chest at inspiration 36

Weight 145 Circumference of abdomen at umbilicus 28 1/2

Recent gain or loss, amount and cause none

Skin, hair, and glands normal

Neck (abnormalities, thyroid gland, trachea, larynx) normal

Spine and extremities (bones, joints, muscles, feet) normal

Thorax (size, shape, movement, rib cage, mediastinum) normal

Respiratory system, bronchi, lungs, pleura, etc. normal

Cardio-vascular system normal

Heart (note all signs of cardiac involvement) normal

Pulse: Before exercise 68 Blood pressure: Before, S 124, D 70

After exercise 100 Three minutes after, S 124, D 70

Three minutes after 72 (Manual of the Medical Department par. 1520(6))

Condition of arteries soft, compressible Character of pulse full, regular

Condition of veins soft, compressible Hemorrhoids none

Abdomen and pelvis (condition of wall, scars, herniae, abnormality of viscera) normal

Genito-urinary system normal

Urinalysis: Sp. gr. 1.015, alb. neg, sugar neg, microscopical

Venereal disease denies

Nervous system normal

(Organic or functional disorders)

Romberg neg Incoordination (gait, speech) normal

Reflexes, superficial normal, deep (knee, ankle, elbow) normal Tremors none

Serological tests (when required) none required

Abnormal psyche (neurasthenia, psychasthenia, depression, instability, worries) none

Smallpox vaccination { Date last vaccination 1939 Typhoid prophylaxis { Number of courses none
Reaction Primary Date of last course

Remarks on abnormalities not otherwise noted or sufficiently described above No apparent decrease in vital capacity as result of empyema

Summary of defects

Is the individual fit to perform active duty at sea or on foreign service? (If not, state limit of duty) Yes

Findings and recommendations (as per Courts and Boards, when necessary)

Karl Icks
Lt. Comdr(MC) USNR, Retired

Remarks or endorsement

INSTRUCTIONS: Be definite in statement and specific in recommendation. All abnormal conditions shall be given diagnostic titles as listed in Navy Nomenclature. The original only shall be forwarded direct to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery except in cases of personnel of the Naval Reserve when the original and one copy shall be forwarded via the Commandant. Regarding preliminary examinations for the Naval Academy, see paragraph 1403, and for color perception, paragraph 1428, Manual of the Medical Department, U. S. Navy. The spoken voice (ordinary conversation) shall be recorded in all cases of defective hearing. In recording vision, the numerator of the fraction shall be the distance at which Snellen's 20-foot test letters can be determined and the denominator, 20.

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28 April, 1943.

MEMORANDUM TO THE COMMANDANT, U. S. MARINE CORPS:

Subject: Waiver of no natural anatomical left molar occlusion and no functional left molar occlusion indicated, for retention in the Marine Corps Reserve and assignment to the College Training Program, case of Private Richard A. GRASS, (544919), USMCR.

1. Waiver recommended.

CLARK W. THOMPSON
(Acting)

APPROVED H. SCHMIDT

DISAPPROVED _____

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APPLICATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE LIFE INSURANCE

UNDER SECTION 602 (a) NATIONAL SERVICE LIFE INSURANCE ACT OF 1940 AND REGULATIONS OF THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION
WITHOUT REPORT OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

(For use by persons who enter the active service in the land or naval forces of the United States after October 8, 1940. Application must be made to the Veterans Administration while in the active service and within 120 days after entrance into such service. NOTE.—Persons in the active service on October 8, 1940, and persons who thereafter reenlist or reenter the active service immediately following discharge from previous enlistments or who thereafter are discharged to immediately accept commissions and whose services are continuous, must make application on Insurance Form 350 a, which requires a complete report of physical examination.) USE INK OR TYPE.

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1. NAME IN FULL: (Please print or type) First Middle Last name
 RICHARD ANTHONY GRASS

2. HOME ADDRESS: Number Street or rural route County, city, town, or post office State
 3024 N. 2nd STREET MILWAUKEE WISCONSIN

3. I WAS BORN AT City, town, or post office State Day of month Month Year Age nearest birthday
 MILWAUKEE WISCONSIN 10 MAY 1925 18

4. DATE OF ENTRY INTO PRESENT TOUR OF ACTIVE DUTY 5. PRESENT ORGANIZATION Rank, grade, or rating. Organization, regiment, station, ship, etc. 6. SERIAL NUMBER
 1 - JULY - 1943 PVT. MD. NTU, U. OF M. ANN ARBOR MICH.

7. DATE OF SEPARATION FROM LAST TOUR OF ACTIVE DUTY. (If no previous active duty, state "none.") 8. ARE YOU NOW DISABLED ON ACCOUNT OF INJURY OR DISEASE? IF SO, STATE DETAILS
 NONE NO

9. I HEREBY APPLY FOR INSURANCE ON THE FIVE-YEAR LEVEL PREMIUM TERM PLAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 10,000

10. I WILL PAY PREMIUMS AS INDICATED BELOW:

BY DEDUCTION MONTHLY	BY ALLOTMENT MONTHLY	PAYMENTS TO BE MADE DIRECT TO VETERANS ADMINISTRATION AS FOLLOWS:			
		Monthly	Quarterly	Semiannual	Annual
\$ 6.40					

11. ARE YOU NOW CARRYING GOVERNMENT LIFE INSURANCE? (ANSWER "YES" OR "NO") NO IF "YES" GIVE AMOUNT OF INSURANCE AND POLICY NUMBER IF AVAILABLE. AMOUNT, \$ POLICY NO.
 (No person may carry a combined amount of National Service Life Insurance and U. S. Government Life Insurance in excess of \$10,000 at any one time)

12. FULL NAME OF BENEFICIARY (If married woman, her own first and middle name and husband's last name must be stated) Relationship Amount for each beneficiary Post-office address (Number and street, city, town, or post office)

PRINCIPAL	JOSEPH-PETER GRASS	FATHER	10,000	3024 N. 2nd STREET MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN
CONTINGENT	EMMA LOUISE GRASS	MOTHER	10,000	3024 N. 2nd STREET MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

Permitted class of beneficiaries: Husband or wife, child, parent, brother or sister of the insured. (See reverse side, Paragraph 4.)

13. I REQUEST THAT THE EFFECTIVE DATE of this policy be made the 1 day of SEPTEMBER, 1943. If no date is specified the insurance herein applied for shall become effective as follows:
 a. If the first premium is to be paid by allotment or deduction, the insurance will become effective on the first day of the month following the month in which the application and allotment or authorization for deduction are executed, provided the amount of the premium is deducted from the applicant's active service pay in accordance with the allotment or authorization, or
 b. If the first premium is paid by direct remittance, the insurance will become effective as of the day on which the application and tender of premiums are made and forwarded to the Veterans Administration.
 (See reverse side, Paragraph 1, for further information as to effective dates of insurance)

THE UNITED STATES IS NOT LIABLE FOR DEATH OCCURRING PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE POLICY

14. I REQUEST THE POLICY BE MAILED TO—
 MR. JOSEPH P. GRASS 3024 N. 2nd ST. MILWAUKEE, WIS.
 (Name) (Please print or type) (Address)

15. (A) I WILL AUTHORIZE (Allotment) (Deduction) from my pay for month of AUGUST 1943, to cover the monthly premium of \$ 6.40 on the amount of insurance applied for. (This authorization may be effective during periods of active service only.)
 (B) I enclose herewith remittance payable to the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES by {Draft Money order} in the amount of \$ to cover the first premium of \$ on the amount of insurance applied for.
 (Write above whether monthly, quarterly, semiannual, or annual)

SIGNED AT MD. NTU ANN ARBOR, MICH ON THE 6 DAY OF AUGUST, 1943

WITNESSED BY: [Signature]
 INFORMATION AS TO SERVICE CERTIFIED BY: [Signature]
 (Rank and organization. See reverse side, Paragraph 6)

[Signature] (Applicant sign here. Do not print signature)

NOTE.—Penalties for fraud in securing for self or another the issue or payment of insurance: \$1,000 to \$5,000 fine and imprisonment. Insurance will be forfeited for mutiny, treason, spying or other specified offenses. (Sections 613, 615, and 612, National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940.)

DO NOT USE THIS SPACE

Effective date _____ Age _____ Amt., \$ _____ Premium: Mo. \$ _____ Qr. \$ _____ S. A. \$ _____ A. \$ 49

Beneficiary _____
 Taken _____
 Issued _____
 Date issued _____

Reviewer _____
 Policy issued _____

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ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE COMPLETELY ANSWERED

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
THE COMMANDANT, U. S. MARINE CORPS
AND REFER TO NO.



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HEADQUARTERS U. S. MARINE CORPS
WASHINGTON

29 May, 1943

From: The Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps.
To: The below named enlisted men, U. S. Marine Corps Reserve.
Via: District Commander, Reserve District concerned.
Subject: Assignment to active duty.
Reference: (a) Arts. 13-102(3) and 13-101(4), M.C.M.

1. On the date he is scheduled to proceed as routed by endorsement on his order, each of the below named men who is not now in the rank of private is reduced to that rank and is assigned to active duty. Each will proceed as routed to and report to the Commanding Officer ^{on 1 July, 1943, to Ann Arbor, Mich.,} Marine Detachment, Navy Training Unit, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan - - for duty.

The physical examination directed in reference (a) must be conducted in each case upon reporting to ascertain the man's physical qualifications for active duty and his future status in the Marine Corps Reserve:

Reserve

District	NAME	Serial No.	Address
9th	ADAMS, David J.	541526	412 W. 5th St., Shawano, Wisc.
4th	ALLEN, Andrew L.	538068	1324 Rutland Lane, Wynnewood, Pa.
9th	ANDERSON, Harold M.	541528	139 Garfield St., Green Bay, Wisc.
4th	ARDEN, Dean W.	541804	506 Kenwood Rd., Drexel Hill, Pa.
4th	BABE, George	537901	400 Sharon Ave., Sharon Hill, Pa.
9th	BISCHOFF, Raymond G.	542722	2509 Morwood Pl., Madison, Wisc.
4th	BOLLINGER, William D.	542833	225 N. 26 St., Camp Hill, Pa.
9th	GASPARI, Robert W.	541548	R. R. 2, West Bend, Wisconsin.
9th	CORFAN, Doyle A.	541552	4713 N. 54th St., Milwaukee, Wisc.
9th	DEVENDORF, Daniel B.	541922	2742 Lakeland Ave., Madison, Wisc.
9th	DWYER, Edwin G.	541564	112 So. 17th St., LaCrosse, Wisc.
9th	DEBON, Frederick E., Jr.	541565	323 So. Rusk Ave., Viroqua, Wisc.
9th	FITZGERALD, Edmund B.	542729	3150 E. Kenwood Boulevard, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
9th	GRANTINER, John G.	542966	1133 So. 28th St., Milwaukee, Wisc.
9th	GRASS, Richard A.	544919	3024 N. 2nd St., Milwaukee, Wisc.
9th	GUNIA, Francis S.	541575	2408 W. Boliver Ave., Milwaukee, Wisc.
9th	HAHN, John G.	541576	2407 Vine St., La Crosse, Wisconsin.
9th	HAWKINSON, Richard E.	542971	417 Virginia Ter., Madison, Wisc.
9th	HOLICK, Joseph J.	541585	526 So. 7th St., La Crosse, Wisc.
9th	JACOBSON, Richard L.	542977	304 W. Washington St., Stoughton, Wisc.

2. Each man found not physically qualified for active duty will return to the place he was assigned to active duty by this order, where upon arrival he will stand relieved from active duty and resume inactive status pending final disposition of his case. (In this event, his staff returns will be transferred to the proper Reserve District.)

3. District Commanders concerned will transfer the above named men by staff returns to the Marine Detachment, **Navy Training Unit,** as of the date of assignment to active duty, and forward the staff returns immediately. **University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan**

4. If for any reason any man named above is unable to comply with his orders, he will immediately so inform the District Commander by whom these orders were forwarded.

5. A copy of this order, countersigned by the man's District Commander, will constitute the original orders in the case of each man named.

6. No travel at Government expense being necessary in the execution of these orders, none is authorized.

By direction: **JOHN A. HANSCHMANN,**
Siv. Pub. Rel. Lt. Col. Mund. Str. & Dist. Sec.

Copy to: The Paymaster CO., M.D., **NTU, University of Michigan,**
The Quartermaster Each man named - 2 **Ann Arbor, Mich.**

1st Endorsement _____, 1943.
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT COMMANDER, Reserve District,
MARINE BARRACKS,

From: The District Commander.
To:

1. Countersigned and forwarded.

Received these orders at _____
(place) (time) (date)

Private, USMCR.

HEADQUARTERS U. S. MARINE CORPS
Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM TO: Pvt. Richard A. Grass,
3024 N. 2nd St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Subject: Assignment to active duty.

Enclosure: (A) Blank form to be executed and returned.
(B) Return envelope.

1. It is contemplated assigning all Preparatory and High School seniors who have been enlisted in Class III(d), Marine Corps Reserve, to active duty, as Privates with pay and allowances, on or about 1 July, 1943, at designated colleges and universities.

2. It is requested that you indicate on the enclosed form the name of the school you are attending, the approximate date you will graduate, school address, home address, and the nearest railroad or bus transportation line. Also, prior to 30 April, 1943, please forward with the enclosed form a certified transcript of your academic record and extra-curricular activities with a statement that you will have completed high school on or before 1 July, 1943. Included in the statement from the Principal should be the approximate date of graduation, rank in class, and whatever personal comments your Principal or Headmaster wishes to make.

3. You are further advised to request your Principal to furnish this Headquarters the statement on the completion of your high school work, that you have received your diploma or certificate of graduation.

John A. Hanschmann

JOHN A. HANSCHMANN,
Captain, U. S. Marine Corps,
Asst. to the Director, Marine Corps Reserve.

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13 May, 1943.

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Dear Mrs. Grass:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated 10 May, 1943, regarding your son Private Richard A. GRASS, (544919), USMCR.

The form sent your son, properly filled out, and letter from the Principal of his high school were received but the transcript was not. It is requested that your son, Private Grass, forward immediately to this Headquarters a transcript of his complete high school credits showing the approximate date of his graduation.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN A. HANSCHMANN,
Captain, U. S. Marine Corps,
Assistant to the Officer in Charge, Officers Division,
Procurement Branch, Personnel Department.

Mrs. J. P. Grass,
3024 N. 2nd Street,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

May 10 - 1943

The Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps

Dear Sir -

As Richard is at school

I will take the liberty to inform you that the information that you request has been mailed to you 2 weeks ago. The Principle sent a sealed letter and Richard filled out the blank. He mailed it in your enclosed gov't envelope. If you wish further information kindly let us know immediately and we shall be happy to send it on to you.

Very sincerely

Mrs J. P. Grass.

1 Referring to Letter of May 2-1

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Pvt Richard A. Grass

3024-N. 2nd St.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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HEADQUARTERS U. S. MARINE CORPS
Washington, D. C.

7 May, 1943.

From: The Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps.
To: Private **Richard A. GRASS, USMCR. (544919)**
3024 N. 2nd St. Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Subject: Transcript of high school credits.

Reference: (a) Memo to you dated **23Apr43**.

Enclosure: (A) Blank form to be executed.

1. By reference (a) you were requested to furnish this Headquarters with a transcript of your academic record and extra-curricular activities with a statement that you will have completed high school on or before 1 July, 1943. Included in the statement from the Principal should be the approximate date of graduation, rank in class, and whatever personal comments your Principal or Headmaster wishes to make. Also you were requested to indicate on the enclosed form the name of the school you are attending, the approximate date you will graduate, school address, home address, and the nearest railroad or bus transportation line.

2. The above information has not been received in this office, therefore, it is requested that you furnish enclosure (A) filled out, transcript of your high school credits, and statement from the Principal to this Headquarters IMMEDIATELY.

John A. Hanschmann
JOHN A. HANSCHMANN,
By direction.

Serial No.....

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UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

I, Richard Anthony GRASS, desiring to enlist in the
(first name) (middle name, if any) (surname, in capitals)

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, for duration of the war, do declare that I was
(insert period of enlistment)

born 10 May 1925, at Milwaukee

in the State of Wisconsin; that I know of nothing wrong with my health or body that the doctor did not find when he examined me; that I am of good habits and character; that no judge or jury has ever found me guilty of a crime; that I have never deserted from the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard and have never been discharged therefrom with a dishonorable, bad conduct, undesirable or inaptitude discharge, or for disability, and that I have never served therein except as stated to the Recruiting Officer and recorded on the reverse side of this contract; and that I am a citizen of the United States. I agree to accept from the United States such bounty, pay, rations and clothing as are or may be established by law.

I further state that, if enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve, I hereby waive, as of the date of my enlistment and assignment to active duty all or any rights that I have to any pension, disability allowance, disability compensation or retired pay, which I may be currently receiving or entitled to receive from the Government of the United States for the period of such enlistment and active duty therein. I, am not receiving such monies in
(am) (am not)
the amount of \$ X
(per month)

I further agree that the authorities concerned are authorized to use the information set forth herein below as may be required for the following purposes:

1. To carry out the provisions of the acts approved June 4, 1920; May 22, 1928; May 12, 1930 and March 17, 1941, or acts amendatory thereof, pertaining to the payment of a gratuity equal to six (6) months' pay to widow or children or dependents of officers and enlisted men, I give below the names and addresses of my wife and children:

none

(Full name of wife; if not married, so state)

(Address of wife)

none

(Full name and address of each child; if none, so state)

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION

Name, Richard Anthony GRASS; born 10 May, 1925

I CERTIFY, that I have this 15th day of February, 191943

at Ind&RS, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, carefully examined the above-named man in accordance with the Regulations of the Navy; that he has stated to me that he has no disease, and in my opinion he is free from all bodily defects and mental infirmities which would in any way disqualify him from performing the duties of a Marine, and that his personal description is as follows:

Brown eyes, Dk. Brown hair, Ruddy complexion; height 68 1/4 inches, weight 145 pounds, mean circumference 33 1/4 inches, expansion 36 inches, vision (Snellen) right 20/20, left 20/20, indelible or permanent marks upon his person:
 ANT: pm r. chest; S. 1 1/2' r. shin; S. 4' rhd; pm neck
 POST: VSLA; M. 1. subscap. reg; Op. S. 3' 1. subscap. reg; S. 2' upper 1. thigh;
 S. 4' r. index finger

Karl Icks
 Karl Icks, Lt. Comdr (MC) USNR, Retired
 (M.C.), U. S. Navy

DATES OF FORMER ENLISTMENTS AND DISCHARGES

(All prior naval or military service, including Reserve, must be entered below at time of enlistment)

ENLISTED	DISCHARGED	BRANCH OF SERVICE, RANK, TIME LOST, ETC.	CHARACTER

TYPE ON LINE BELOW IF REGULAR OR RESERVE (IF RESERVE SHOW CLASS)

RESERVE

Legal residence 3024 N. 2nd St., Milwaukee
(Street and number) (City)
Milwaukee Wisconsin.
(County) (State or Territory)

Name and address of person to be notified in case of emergency, giving degree of relationship; if friend, so state:
Joseph Peter GRASS 3024 N. 2nd St., Milwaukee, Wis. FATHER
(Name) (Address, including name of street and number of house) (Relationship)

Space below is for use in the Adjutant and Inspector's Department

Current enlistment extended years from
 Current enlistment extended years from

Date Rec'd. APR 20 1943
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In the event of my leaving no widow or child, or of their decease before payment is made, I then designate as my beneficiary under said acts the following relative (father, mother, brother, or sister),

Father
(Relationship)
Joseph Peter GRASS
(Name in full)
3024 N. 2nd St., Milwaukee, Wis.
(Address)

In the event that payment cannot be made to the above named relative, I then designate as my beneficiary under said acts the following dependent relative,

Mother
(Relationship)
Emma Louise GRASS
(Name in full)
3024 N. 2nd St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin
(Address)

*
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*
* State briefly wherein dependency consists.

2. To carry out the provisions of the act of March 7, 1942, pertaining to allotments of pay for support of dependents of those missing, interned or captured by the enemy, I wish my

Mother Emma Louise GRASS
(State relationship) (Full name)
of 3024 N. 2nd St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin
(Address)

to receive:

- (a) Approximately 100 % of my pay.
- (b) X. dollars (\$) per month of my pay.

Given at DHIRS Milwaukee, Wis. this 15th day of February, 1943
(Show place of acceptance)

*Accepted and signature witnessed:

Richard Anthony Guss
(Signature of applicant in full)

*Witness:

Edward GREEN

Staff Sergeant U. S. M. C. R.

Date and nature of any waiver: none
(If none, so state)

Acceptance approved, 15 February, Wisconsin 19 43, at DHIRS, Milwaukee, Wis.

and transferred, 15 February 19 43, to PLU, 9th Res. Dist.
Playford W. Reed
PLAYFORD W. REED,

..... Captain U.S.M.C. R. Recruiting Officer.

I, Richard Anthony GRASS do hereby acknowledge to
(first name) (middle) (last)

have voluntarily enlisted as a PRIVATE for general service in the UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
..... RESERVE for duration of war unless sooner discharged
(insert Reserve) (insert period of enlistment)

by proper authority, and that no promise or assurance of any kind has been made to me concerning assignment to any particular duty or promotion during my enlistment. In the event of war or national emergency declared by the President to exist during my term of service I further oblige and subject myself to serve until six (6) months after the end of the war or national emergency if so required by the Secretary of the Navy unless I voluntarily reenlist or extend my enlistment, and I understand that when so detained addition of one-fourth pay as specified in R. S. 1422 is not applicable. And I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America; that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies whomsoever; and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States, and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the Rules and Articles for the Government of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps of the United States. And I do further swear (or affirm) that all statements made by me, as now given in this record, are correct.

Richard Anthony Grass
.....
(Signature of enlisted man, in full)

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me at DHIRS Milwaukee, Wis., this 15th

day of February A. D. 19 43, and

I CERTIFY, that I minutely inspected the above-named man previous to his enlistment, and that he was entirely sober when enlisted; that to the best of my judgment and belief, he fulfills all legal requirements; that, after fully informing him of the nature of the service he is to perform, I have enlisted him into the service of the United States under this contract of enlistment as duly qualified to perform the duties of an able-bodied Marine, and in doing so have strictly observed the regulations which govern the recruiting service; also that the prior service as shown on the reverse side has been verified by me personally from the man's discharge certificates, and

I am satisfied that his status as to citizenship is § U.S.
Playford W. Reed
PLAYFORD W. REED,

..... Captain U.S.M.C. R. Recruiting Officer.

* To be signed by the officer or noncommissioned officer witnessing signature.
§ Native born, use initials U. S.; naturalized, N. U. S.



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

MC, OPO, Chicago, Illinois.

15 February, 1943

From: The ~~The Officer in Charge~~
To: ~~Richard Anthony GRASS,~~
~~3024 N. 2nd St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin~~
(Address)

Subject: Organization assignment.

1. You are hereby assigned to ~~PLU, 9th Reserve District~~
~~, the headquarters of which is at Marine~~
~~Barracks, Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Illinois.~~

2. All correspondence, changes of address, and other routine reports will be forwarded as follows (insert X opposite classification of addressee):

- X Members of units, via reserve district commander.
- Members of organized aviation squadrons, via commanding officer.
- Members of organized battalions, via commanding officer.

3. Please keep your ORGANIZATION COMMANDER or DISTRICT COMMANDER informed of changes in address.

PLAYFORD W. REED,
Acting

Copy furnished:

Organization Commanders.

CONSENT OF PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIAN TO ENLISTMENT
OF A MINOR IN THE VOLUNTEER MARINE CORPS RESERVE

We) Joseph G. Brass and Emma L. Brass,
I)

residing in the city of Milwaukee, the county of
Milwaukee, and State of Wisconsin,
in the United States of America, do freely consent to the

enlistment of Richard Anthony Grass in the
(Name in full)

Volunteer Marine Corps Reserve as a Private to serve FOUR
Years, or for the duration of the National Emergency plus
six (6) months, unless sooner discharged by competent au-
thority, with assignment to active duty upon graduation,
unless the exigencies of the service may necessitate his
being called to such duty before graduation. We or I con-
sent to his being subject while on active duty to all re-
quirements and lawful orders of th officers who may from
time to time be placed over him. We or I do hereby relin-
quish all claim to his service during all periods of active
duty and to any wages or compensation for the same, and
do hereby certify that he was born in Milwaukee

County of Milwaukee, State of Wisconsin,

on the _____ day of _____, 19____.

And We) do solemnly swear(or affirm) that:
I)

- (We are the parents)
- (I am the father and only surviving parent)
- (I am the mother and only surviving parent)
- (I am the legally appointed guardian)

of said Richard Anthony Grass and that he
(Name in Full)
has no other legal guardian, So Help Me God.

Joseph G. Brass
Signature of Father or Guardian

Emma L. Brass
Signature of mother

Address 3024 - North 2nd Street
(Use street and number)

Personally appeared before me Joseph G. Brass and
Emma L. Brass, residents of Milwaukee
in the County of Milwaukee and State of Wis.

_____, each of whom is well known to me as a
credible person, and made oath that the foregoing statement
is correct and true, and signed the same in my presence
this 13th day of February 1943.

[Signature]
Signature of notary public.

My Com. expires Oct 1st 1944

SEAL OF NOTARY PUBLIC