

August 11, 1936

MBAC-a

Mrs. Rebecca J. Smith
1926 W. 2nd Street
Chester, Pennsylvania

COATES, William H.
WC - 616,133

Dear Madam:

This acknowledges the receipt of your communication dated July 27, 1936, referring to Mrs. Rebecca F. Coates, deceased pensioner.

You are informed that the law does not provide a specific allowance toward the burial expenses of a widow pensioner. The pension accruing at the rate of \$40.00 per month from July 1st to July 9, 1936, the date of her death, is not an asset of her estate, is not liable for debts, and is not payable to heirs, but may be paid to reimburse the person who bore the expenses of her last illness and burial, or who is held responsible therefor, only in the event she did not leave sufficient funds to meet such expenses.

If a claim is in order, the enclosed Form 5036 should be completed in accordance with the instructions appearing on the last page and returned to this office.

All future communications relative to this case should bear the veteran's name and refer to the number WC - 616,133

Respectfully

E.L. BAILEY
Director
Dependents Claims Service.

Enclosure
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