

S. C. S. Computer Genealogy Class
Thursday, October 12, 2017, 10:00 a.m.
~~ Karen Ristic



Title: I want you for U.S. Army : nearest recruiting station

Creator: [Flagg, James Montgomery, 1877-1960](#), artist

Date Summary: War poster with the famous phrase "I want you for U. S. Army" shows Uncle Sam pointing his finger at the viewer in order to recruit soldiers for the American Army during World War I. The printed phrase "Nearest recruiting station" has a blank space below to add the address for enlisting.

Locating the Records of Your World War 1 Military Ancestors

Part 1

Part 1 Agenda: Exploring Four Websites:

- 1) FamilySearch.org,*
- 2) Fold3,*
- 3) Ancestry.com, and*
- 4) Cyndi's List*



Today's Topics

Locating the Records of your World War I Military Ancestors Class 1: Using the Big Web Sites from the Internet

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FamilySearch.org

[https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/World War I United States Military Records, 1917 to 1918](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/World_War_I_United_States_Military_Records,_1917_to_1918)

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Ancestry.com <http://www.ancestry.com/cs/worldwar1records>

18. Searching Ancestry.com for WWI Military Records
19. Ancestry.com WWI Image collection
20. Ancestry.com U.S Headstone Applications for Military Veterans, 1925-1963

Cyndis List <http://www.cyndislist.com/ww1/>

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Sources Used

Class 2: December 14, 2017: Using Other Sites from the Internet

Locating the Records of your World War I Military Ancestors

Also: Bring an heirloom from your military ancestor to share with the group

1. A Brief History of US Participation in World War I

The Outbreak of War in Europe and the Debate over U.S. Involvement

- War broke out in Europe in the summer of 1914, after months of international tension. The spark that ignited open hostilities was the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand, the heir to the throne of Austria-Hungary, and his wife Sophie in Sarajevo, Bosnia. By the end of the year, the Central Powers, led by Germany and Austria-Hungary, were battling the Allies, led by Britain, France, and Russia.
- The United States initially declared itself neutral, leading to years of argument over whether to join the conflict, and when. The sinking of the British ocean liner Lusitania on May 7, 1915, killed almost 1,200 people, including more than 120 U.S. citizens. Many Americans, appalled that the German submarines, or U-boats, would sink a passenger ship, saw this as a brutal attack on freedom of movement and U.S. neutrality. The Lusitania was one of dozens of ships sunk carrying American passengers and goods.
- **Mobilization for War** The United States entered World War I on April 6, 1917, when the U.S. Congress agreed to a declaration of war. Faced with mobilizing a sufficient fighting force, Congress passed the Selective Service Act on May 18, 1917. By the end of the war, the SSA had conscripted over 2.8 million American men. The hundreds of thousands of men who enlisted or were conscripted early in the war still faced months of intensive training before departing for Europe.

- **Armistice and Plans for Peace** On November 11, 1918, an Armistice agreement effectively ended the fighting. The conditions of the Central Powers' surrender were agreed upon when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919. The Treaty assigned responsibility for the war to the Central Powers and required that they pay reparations for war damages. Source: Teacher's Guide to World War I: https://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/primarysourcesets/world-war-i/pdf/teacher_guide.pdf



From the Library of Congress

2. WWI Army Unit Structures

As you search for your WWI military ancestor, it is helpful to know the structure of his/her unit.

Service Numbers

- Every US WWI soldier, sailor, or marine had a unique “service number”, which was a forerunner of the later military serial numbers. You might find them on discharge papers, muster rolls, “statement of service cards”, or other documents. Once you find the service number, make a note of it. It helps avoid mistaking two or more people with the same name.

Army Unit Structures

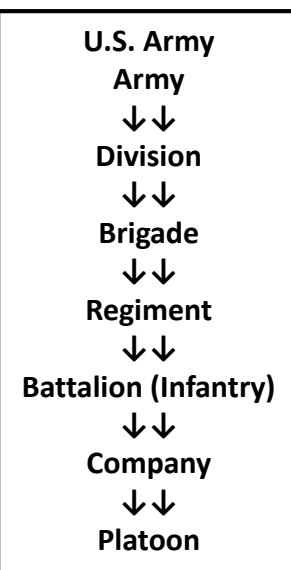
- Army unit structures were very different in WWI than they were in the Civil War and earlier wars. Rarely mentioned in the Civil War records, the **platoon** became a basic building block of an army unit:
 - * Four infantry platoons made one **company** (commanded by a captain),
 - * Four companies made a **battalion** (commanded by a major),
 - * Three battalions, with a machine gun company and some supply and headquarters staff, made a **regiment**, (commanded by a colonel).
 - * WWI regiments had about 3,700 men,
 - * Two regiments and a machine gun battalion made a **brigade**.

A 28,000-man **US division** had two infantry brigades, and an artillery brigade.

Most army divisions were associated with states or regions; for example, the 32nd Division was drawn from the National Guard of Wisconsin and Michigan; and the 81st Division drew new recruits mainly from North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, and Tennessee. However, soldiers could be transferred to other divisions. And, numerous soldiers were assigned to units that were not part of a division.

[A list of US divisions, with the numbers of their regiments, battalions, and support units can be found online at the *Doughboy Center* web page at

<http://www.worldwar1.com/dbc/unitnumbers.htm>



3. World War 1 Records

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the entry of the United States into the First World War on April 6, 1917. Nearly five million Americans served in the US armed forces during the war. There is no single, complete database for US World War 1 military personnel, but family historians will find plenty of places to check for information. **In this Part 1, we'll take a look at some of the most easily accessible Internet sources of information about your WWI soldier:**
FamilySearch, Fold3, Ancestry, and InternetArchives

About 25 million American men born between 11 September 1872 and 12 September 1900 registered for the military draft.
FIRST: Determine if your ancestors could have served: →

Potential WWI Ancestors (11 Sep 1872- 12 Sep 1900)			
Surname, Given Name	Birth Date	Death Date	Relationship
Ball, John Faley	1883	1962	1st cousin 2x removed
Bradish, George Fremont	1875	1929	2nd cousin 2x removed
Flanigan, Thomas Francis	1873	1926	father-in-law of sister
Higdon, Joseph Lee	1898	1967	1st counsin 1x removed
Torbron, Andrew Frank	1874	1900	great uncle
Torbron, Jack T	1898	1972	father
Torbron, Jerome Frost	1877	1918	great uncle
Torbron, Orin Forest Sr	1895	1961	uncle
Torbron, Rex Wilbur	1886	1960	2nd cousin 1x removed

Many avenues of research can help document a veteran's World War I military service. Each search is unique; the resources mentioned today are a small sampling of the types of records that exist.

4. Determine If He/She Served in WWI

1. How old was your soldier?

1. Age range of typical soldier, 17- 40 years
2. Average birth year: 1872-1900

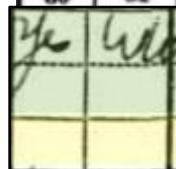
2. Check the 1930 Census

3. Home resource checklist:

1. Family papers
2. War diaries
3. Letters and postcards
4. Military memorabilia
5. Newspaper articles and obituaries
6. Oral traditions or interview older relatives
7. Military photographs

4. Cemetery Clues

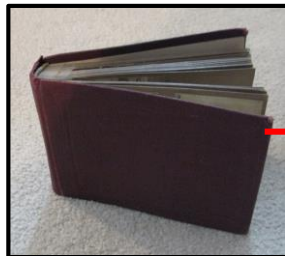
VETERANS	
Whether a veteran of U. S. military or naval forces	
Yes or No	What war or expedition?
30	31



Veterans:
Whether a soldier of U.S military or naval forces:
Yes or No:
What war or expedition?

Wounded (Degree Undetermined.)
LIEUTENANTS.
A. G. Jefferson, Oak Park, Ill.
Charles J. Jones, Dallas, Tex.
Lawrence T. Wily, Duluth, Minn.
Orin F. **Torbron**, Gainesville, Tex.

The Washington Herald (Washington, District of Columbia) • 26 Nov 1918, Tue





5. Military Records Tips for Beginners (1) (from FamilySearch.org)

Tip: When would my ancestor have been recorded in a federal military record? Your ancestor will probably appear in a federal military record if he:

- Served in a state volunteer unit that was mustered into federal service during wartime. Most men who served in wars before 1900 enlisted in state volunteer units.
- Enlisted in the regular U.S. military forces during wartime or peacetime.
- Served in a local militia or national guard unit that was mustered for federal service during an emergency.
- Enlisted or was drafted.

Tip: What kinds of information do I need to effectively use military records? It is helpful to know:

- You must know when your ancestor served in the military. First determine the war or period in which your ancestor may have served.
- State your ancestor was living in. Your ancestor may have served in a local, state, or federal unit. You can best search military records if you know at least the state where your ancestor was living when he was of age to serve in the military.
- Branch of service of war and rank. It is helpful to know the branch of service (Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard) your ancestor may have served in and whether your ancestor was an officer or an enlisted man.
- Regiment. Many service records are arranged by the military unit, such as the regiment. Regiments and companies were often composed of men from the same community or county. Knowing the regiment can sometimes help you determine where a man was from.



6. Military Records Tips for Beginners (2) (from FamilySearch.org)

Tip: How can I find which regiment or unit my ancestor served with? In most cases, you can learn the unit from published military sources, such as:

- Service indexes, Pension records, Published rosters, County histories, Tombstone inscriptions, You may also find clues in home sources, such as: Photographs, Discharge papers, Records of membership in a veteran organization.

Tip: What can I do to search the records more effectively?

- Search for the whole family. This includes parents, children, and siblings.
- Search for the surname. Keep record of others with the same surname you are seeking.
- Search time ranges. Use a span of time to search (such as plus or minus 10 years).
- Search for locality ranges. Search all areas where your ancestor might have lived in or near.
- Search for spelling variations. Many names were not spelled as they are today. For suggestions on spelling, see [Name Variations](#).

Tip: Using the FamilySearch Catalog

- Do a Place Search in the state and /or county that your ancestor was from and choose “military records” under topics in the FamilySearch Catalog at www.FamilySearch.org

Tip: What is a “doughboy?”

- **Doughboy** was an informal term for a member of the United States Army or Marine Corps, especially used to refer to members of the American Expeditionary Forces in World War I, but initially used in the Mexican-American War of 1846-48.



7. FamilySearch General World War I Collections (1)

- The United States entered World War I in April 1917. Over 4.7 million men and women served in the regular U.S. forces, national guard units, and draft units. There were 53,402 killed in action, 63,114 deaths from disease and other causes, and about 205,000 wounded. New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, and Ohio furnished the most soldiers. Resources linked out of FamilySearch.org – which is a free website.
- [American Expeditionary Forces](#)
- [American Expeditionary Forces Order of Battle](#)
- [Records of the American Expeditionary Forces \(World War I\) Record Group 120](#)
- [Records of the American Expeditionary Forces \(World War I\) NAID 449](#)
- [Order of Battle U.S. Land Forces in the World War Divisions](#)
- [United States Army in the World War, 1917-1919 3 volumes](#)
- [Final Report of Gen. John J. Pershing, Commander-in-Chief American Expeditionary Forces.](#)

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- **1907 - 1933** - United States Veterans Administration Pension Payment Cards, 1907-1933 [at FamilySearch](#) — index and images
 - **1917 - 1918** - United States World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 [at FamilySearch](#) — index and images
 - **1917 - 1919** - United States, YMCA World War I Service Cards, 1917-1919 [at FamilySearch](#) — index and images
 - **1925 - 1949** - United States Headstone Applications for U.S. Military Veterans 1925-1949 [at FamilySearch](#) — index and images

8. FamilySearch General World War I Collections (2)

[https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/World War I United States Military Records, 1917 to 1918](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/World_War_I_United_States_Military_Records,_1917_to_1918)

FamilySearch World War I Collections

- [American Expeditionary Forces](#)
- [American Expeditionary Forces Order of Battle](#)
- [Order of Battle U.S. Land Forces in the World War Divisions](#)
- [WWI Records at the National Archives at St. Louis](#)
- [American Battle Monuments Commission Overseas Burials](#)
- [United States World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918](#)
- [United States, YMCA World War I Service Cards, 1917-1919](#)
- [United States, Index to Naturalizations of World War I Soldiers, 1918](#)
- [California, San Francisco, World War I Enemy Alien Registration Affidavits, 1918](#)
- [Louisiana, World War I Service Records, 1917-1920](#)
- [Maine, World War I Draft Registration Index, 1917-1919](#)
- [North Carolina, World War I Service Cards, 1917-1919](#)
- [Texas World War I Records, 1917-1920](#)

Related Digital Books

- [Soldiers of the Great War 3 volumes](#)
- [Location of graves and disposition of bodies of American soldiers who died overseas](#)
- [Officers and enlisted men of the United States Navy who lost their lives during the World War from April 6, 1917 to November 11, 1918](#)
- [Order of Battle of the United States Land Forces in the World War: American Expeditionary Forces. Divisions](#)
- [United States Army in the World War](#)
- [The U.S. Air Service in World War I](#)

Websites

- [The National WWI Museum and Memorial Kansas City, MO.](#)
- [Library of Congress Guide to World War I Materials](#)
- [Order of the First World War](#)
- [Military Resources World War I](#)
- [NARA WWI Gold Star Mothers Pilgrimages Pt 1](#)
- [NARA WWI Gold Star Mothers Pilgrimages Pt 2](#)
- [NARA Military Service in the U. S. Army During World War I](#)
- [American Battle Monuments Commission](#)
- [Finding Your World War I Veteran at The National Archives at St. Louis](#)
- [Western Front Association](#)
- [World War One Historical Association](#)
- [HistoryGuide.org](#). Contains photographs, cemeteries & obituaries, land records, wills, and newspapers; along with a Soldier's Memorial searchable database.
- [Chronology of the first World War](#)
- [Heritage of the Great War](#)
- [Navy Uniforms in WWI](#)
- [BYU WWI Document Archive](#). This archive is international in focus
- [Online World War One Indexes and Records](#)



9. FamilySearch General World War I Collections (3)

Infantry Division Unit Histories

- [3rd Division](#)
- [4th Division](#)
- [5th Infantry Division](#)
- [5th Division](#)
- [26th Division](#)
- [28th Division](#)
- [29th Division](#)
- [32nd Division](#)
- [35th Division](#)
- [37th Division](#)
- [77th Division](#)
- [78th Division](#)
- [82nd Division](#)
- [88th Division](#)
- [90th Division](#)
- [91st Division](#)

Regimental Histories

- [16th Infantry](#)
- [71st Infantry](#)
- [137th Infantry](#)
- [139th Infantry](#)
- [305th Infantry](#)
- [313th Infantry](#)
- [325th Infantry](#)
- [346th Infantry](#)
- [353rd Infantry](#)
- [355th Infantry](#)
- [361st Infantry](#)
- [364th Infantry](#)

World War I Service Questionnaires

- [Tennessee State Library Online Index](#)
- [Utah State Archives](#)
- [Virginia State Library](#)

Gold Star Mothers

- [Tennessee State Library Online Index](#)
- [NARA Article WW I Gold Star Mothers Pilgrimages Pt 1](#)
- [NARA Article WW I Gold Star Mothers Pilgrimages Pt II](#)

United States World War One Centennial

- [United States World War One Centennial Commission](#)
- [State Centennial Websites Map](#)
- [Family Ties Documenting the stories of service and family relationships of those who served in World War I](#)
- [Stories of Service](#)
- [Documenting the Doughboys](#)
- [Doughboy MIA Database 1917-1920](#)
- [National Archives World War I Centennial](#)
- [Library of Congress Echoes of the Great War American Experiences of World War I](#)
- [Library of Congress Guide to World War I Materials](#)
- [Smithsonian World War I Centennial](#)
- [Smithsonian My Fellow Soldiers: Letters From World War I: National Postal Museum](#)

National Archives World War I Dead, AEF

- [Arizona](#)
- [Colorado](#)
- [Delaware](#)
- [District of Columbia](#)
- [Florida](#)
- [Idaho](#)
- [Maine](#)
- [Nevada](#)
- [New Hampshire](#)
- [New Mexico](#)
- [North Dakota](#)
- [Oregon](#)
- [Rhode Island](#)
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- [US Possessions](#)



10. FamilySearch: Most Popular WWI Records

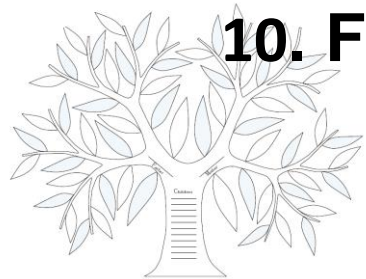
a. Draft Registration Cards

FamilySearch WWI US Military Records

[https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/World War I United States Military Records, 1917 to 1918\](https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/World_War_I_United_States_Military_Records,_1917_to_1918)

Draft Registration Cards

- Many state-specific files; most important are the Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918:
- For the US, draft registration cards are the most comprehensive military-related resource for WWI. About 25 million American men born between September 11, 1872 and September 12, 1900 registered for the military draft during four WWI registration drives.
- While a draft card shows that someone registered for the draft, it does not mean that he was called up for service. Millions of men were exempted because their jobs were important to the war effort, or because they had to support their families. Also, men under 21 were not obliged to fill out draft cards until September 12, 1918, but they could enlist.
- Data on the cards varies, depending on which forms were used, but usually you can gain some information such as a man's home address (making the cards useful for locating ancestors between the 1910 and 1920 censuses; his job, and his place of employment and its address.
- Next-of-kin are named on some cards. Keep in mind that some men used their nicknames instead of their legal names (i.e. Johnny for John).
- There are several places to get a look at the draft cards, besides **FamilySearch**, including **Ancestry.com**, and **Fold3.com**



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a. Draft Registration Cards

United States World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

Name index and images of draft registration cards for World War I. **Three registrations occurred between 1917 and 1918.** The **1st** was held 5 Jun 1917 for men ages 21-31. The **2nd** was held 5 Jun 1918 for men who turned 21 since the 1st registration. The **3rd** started 12 Sep 1918 for men ages 18-45. The collection includes cards for 24 million men. The cards are arranged by state, by city or county, by local draft board, then alphabetical by surname. The draft registration cards are on Fold3, FamilySearch, and Ancestry.com

REGISTRATION CARD									
SERIAL NUMBER		ORIGIN NUMBER		C 2204					
1 Thomas Francis Flanagan (First name) (Middle name) (Last name)									
2 PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS: 45-46th St. Detroit Wayne-Mich. (No.) (Street or R. F. D. No.) (City or town) (County) (State)									
Age in Years		Date of Birth							
3 45		4 Sept. 3rd 1873		(Month) (Day) (Year)					
RACE									
White		Negro		Oriental		Indian			
5		6		7		8 Citizen 9 Noncitizen			
U. S. CITIZEN									
Native Born		Naturalized		Citizen by Father's Naturalization Before Registrant's Majority		ALIEN			
10		11		12		13 Declarant 14 Non-declarant			
15 If not a citizen of the U. S., of what nation are you a citizen or subject?									
PRESENT OCCUPATION					EMPLOYER'S NAME				
16 Sewer Inspector					17 A. P. W. City of Detroit.				
18 PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS: City of Detroit - Public Works (No.) (Street or R. F. D. No.) (City or town) (County) (State)									
NEAREST RELATIVE		19 Helma Flanagan (Name) 20 45-46th St. Detroit Wayne-Mich. (No.) (Street or R. F. D. No.) (City or town) (County) (State)							
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE									
P. M. G. O.		Form No. 1 (Rev) 69-6171 (Registrant's signature or mark) (OVER)							

REGISTRAR'S REPORT									
DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT C 21-1-20									
HEIGHT		BUILD		COLOR OF EYES		COLOR OF HAIR			
21 Tall 22 Medium 23 Short		24 Slender 25 Medium 26 Stout		27 White 28 Red		29 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, eye, or is he obviously physically disqualified? (Specify)			
21 67		25		27 White		29 Left arm off.			
30 I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:									
George Bay. H. Hoffman									
Date of Registration Sept. 15th 1918									
Local Board No. 20 Detroit, Mich.									
(STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)									
(11- stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the area in which the registrant has his permanent home shall be placed in this box.) 69-6171 (OVER)									

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b. Army Officer Wounded Records

Torbron Orin Forrest		OFFICER—ORC	
(Surname)	(Christian name)	White	
Residence	1106 Fairmount St	Ft Worth	TEXAS
(Street and house number)	(Town or city)	(County) Tarrant	(State)
* Born in	Cleburne Tex	Dec 7, 1895	....
† Called into active service as	2nd Lt Inf	Aug 15/17 Fr CL	† Training Camp.
Promotions:	1st Lt Nov 4/18	....	Leon Springs Tex
Organizations and staff assignments:	360 Inf, to Disch	....	....
Principal stations:	Cp Travis Tex; Ft Sill Okla; Cp Mills NY; AEF; Boston Mass; Cp Devens Mass	....	....
Engagements:	St Mihiel	....	....
§ Wounded in action	Sept 16/18 St Mihiel Slightly	....	....
|| Served overseas	June 14/18 to June 7/19	....	....
¶ Hon. disch.	July 7/19	* for the convenience of the Government, services no longer required.	
Was reported	0	per cent disabled on date of discharge, in view of occupation.	
Remarks:	XX	....	....

Form No. 54c-9 A. G. O. Oct. 18, 1922.

* Give place and date. † Insert (a) grade; (b) arm or staff corps or department; (c) date; (d) source, civil life (CL), RA, NG, ORC, NA; and (e) designation of training camp attended, if any. ‡ Strike out if he did not attend a training camp. § Give date, place, or battle, and degree. ¶ Give dates of departure from and return to the United States. ¶ Give date.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

10. FamilySearch Most Popular WWI Records

C. U.S. Headstone Applications for U.S. Military Veterans, 1925-1949

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADSTONE APPLICATION
Form No. 1
Revised July 15, 1925

CONFIDENTIAL

APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE
CLAIM MADE OUT AND RETURNED BY BENEFICIARY

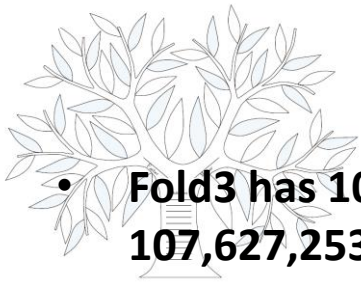
58230
(767)

CONFIDENTIAL

TO R BRON, ✓
GEROME FROST Private, 1 3d Inf ✓
Tombstone Jerome F
Johnson County, Alabama, Texas
TO BE RETURNED TO Mrs. Maudie Forbion, Johnson County, Texas
FIRST ORDER ADDRESS OF BENEFICIARY 303 N. Main St., Johnson County, Texas
DO NOT WRITE HERE
Filed
LEE MASS OCT 13 1930
Date 11-8-30
243122
303 N. Main St., Johnson County, Texas
I hereby agree to accept the headstone as shown on this application, to be placed on the grave of the deceased as shown on this application, and to pay the cost of the same as shown on this application.
This application is for the HEADSTONE of the deceased, and is to be placed on the grave of the deceased as shown on this application, and to pay the cost of the same as shown on this application.
Maudie Forbion
July 3, 1930.



WWI Draft Registration in New York. *From the Library of Congress*



11. Fold3 WWI Records

- **Fold3 has 100% complete compilation of 107,627,253 World War I records.**
- **400+ million American military records** (including the stories, images, and personal documents of men and women who served.)
- Millions of nonmilitary records (City Directories, Native American records, Interactive3 1860 and 1930 US Censuses, Naturalization records, Holocaust records, and more
- Ability to create your own photo galleries and memorial pages.
- **The cost is \$39.95 a year**, but when combined with Newspapers.com, these two programs are included in “All Access Ancestry.com.”

[WWI - State Dept Records](#)

[WWI Canadian Soldiers](#)

[WWI Draft Registration Cards](#)

[WWI Milestone Documents](#)

[WWI Military Cablegrams - AEF and War Dept](#)

[WWI New York Army Cards](#)

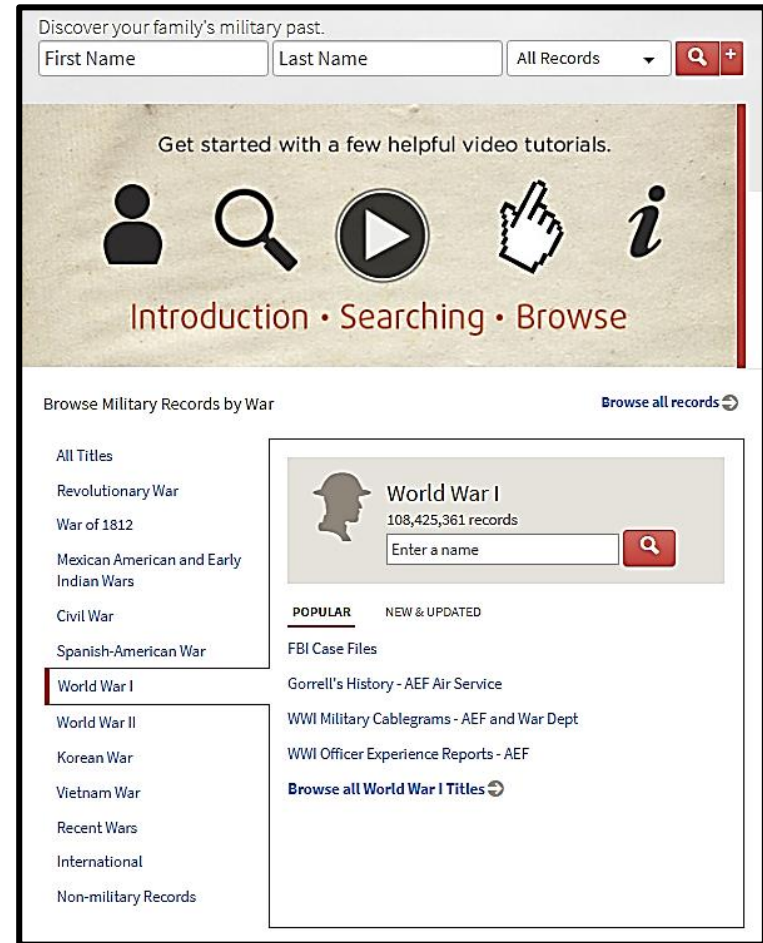
[WWI Officer Experience Reports - AEF](#)

[WWI Panoramic Unit Photos](#)

[WWI Supreme War Council, American records](#)

12. Searching Fold 3






- **Fold3 includes powerful search capabilities to help you find the documents and images you are looking for.** You can search from the home page or by clicking the "**Search**" link at the top of most pages of the site. Type a name in the search box, and Search will look for documents that contain that name. To search for keywords, click on "**Advanced search**" on the home page, or "**Advanced**" on the search page. Matching terms may come from the indexing of the image, or from annotations added by other Members. If you do not get the results you are looking for, try broadening your search by removing some of the terms. Often it works better if you start with broader terms, then narrow your search by using the tools in the Search Results Page.
- You can use quotation marks (") to find exact matches, including spaces (e.g. "**John Hancock**" or "**Washington Monument**").



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Browse Military Records by War [Browse all records](#)

All Titles

- Revolutionary War
- War of 1812
- Mexican American and Early Indian Wars
- Civil War
- Spanish-American War
- World War I**
- World War II
- Korean War
- Vietnam War
- Recent Wars
- International
- Non-military Records

 **World War I**
108,425,361 records

POPULAR NEW & UPDATED

- FBI Case Files
- Gorrell's History - AEF Air Service
- WWI Military Cablegrams - AEF and War Dept
- WWI Officer Experience Reports - AEF

[Browse all World War I Titles](#)

13. Fold3 Results

14 matches for **Torbron**
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US Veterans Administration Pension Payment Cards
... T > To > Torbron, Richard
Surname: **Torbron**
2 pages

WWI Draft Registration Cards
... Ohio > Mahoning > T > To > Tor > Torbron, Rex W
Surname: **Torbron**

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... Texas > Tarrant > T > To > Tor > Torbrou, Jerome Frost
Alias Surname: **Torbron**

US Army WWI Transport Service, Passenger Lists
... Outgoing > Novara > 1918 Jan 11 - 1918 Jul 22 > Page 7 >
Torbron, Jack T
Name: **Torbron**, Jack T
Contact Name: **Torbron**, Orine

US Army WWI Transport Service, Passenger Lists
... Incoming > Agamemnon > 21 Jul 1919 > Page 1804 > **Torbron**,
Jack T
Name: **Torbron**, Jack T
Contact Name: **Torbron**, Orin F

WWI Draft Registration Cards
... Texas > Tarrant > T > Ta > Tar > Tarbous, Orin Forrest
Alias Surname: Tarborn Or **Torbron**

US Army WWI Transport Service, Passenger Lists
... Incoming > Mongolia > 1919 Apr 10 - 1919 Jun 7 > Page 1217 >
Torbron, Orin F
Name: **Torbron**, Orin F
Contact Name: **Torbron**, Orin F

US Army WWI Transport Service, Passenger Lists
... Outgoing > Olympic > 1918 Jun 14 - 1918 Aug 9 > Page 174 >
Torbron, Orin F
Name: **Torbron**, Orin F
Contact Name: **Torbron**, Orin F



14. Fold3 US WWI Troop Transport Service Passenger List,

May 27, 1918

(Jack Torbron leaves from Montreal, Canada to Germany) →



HEADQUARTERS PORT OF EMBARKATION						
ROBOKEN, NEW JERSEY						
UNITED STATES ARMY TRANSPORT SERVICE						
PASSENGER LIST OF ORGANIZATIONS AND CASUALS						
INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT THIS FORM Separate lists of FIVE COPIES EACH, will be filled out by each company or detachment commander as follows: 1st List: Officers arranged according to rank; nurses, if any; civilian employees, if any. These names should be numbered consecutively beginning with No. 1. 2d List: Non-commissioned officers above Grade 17, (Paragraph 9, Army Regulations), arranged according to grade. 3d List: Enlisted men below Grade 16, (Paragraph 9, Army Regulations), arranged according to the usual formation of the Company, that is, by squads. These names should be numbered consecutively beginning with No. 1.						
To be filled in by Company Commander.		HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, 20TH FIELD ARTILLERY. (Give full name of organization including company and regimental designations.)				
To be filled in by Army Transport Service.		NOVARA (Name of transport or commercial steamer.)		MAY 27 1918 (Date of sailing.)		MONTREAL CANADA (Port.)
No.	NAME. (Family name followed by Christian names in full.)	Rank.	Regiment, Corps, or Department.	NOTIFY IN CASE OF EMERGENCY. (Give name in full.)	Relationship.	ADDRESS. (Number, Street, City and State.)
NOTE: Leave double space between names. DO NOT abbreviate names of persons, streets or cities. All typewriting must be in capital letters only. Names of enlisted men must be identical with those on service records.						
32	1,044,893. TORBRON. JACK F. T.	SIG. SGT	20TH F.A.	MRS ORINE TORBRON	MOTHER	1106 FAIRMOUNT ST. FORT WORTH TEXAS

15. Fold 3 US WWI Troop Transport Service Passenger List, July 13, 1919

(Jack Torbron leaves from Brest, France to New Jersey)

Sheet No. <u>322</u> Class		PASSENGER LIST OF ORGANIZATIONS AND CASUALS RETURNING TO THE UNITED STATES			
INSTRUCTIONS					
Separate lists of TWELVE COPIES EACH will be accomplished by each company or detachment commander as follows:					
1st Class: Officers arranged according to Rank, Nurses, Army Field Clerks, Field Clerks Q. M. C., Civilian Employees. Names to be numbered consecutively beginning with No. 1.					
2nd Class: Non-commissioned Officers down to and including Color Sergeant (See A. R. Par. 9).					
3rd Class: All enlisted men below Color Sergeant (A. R., Par. 9), arranged according to usual formation of the Company, that is, BY SQUADS.					
This form when used to list CASUAL military passengers will be accomplished in like manner, but within each class all casualties will be sub-grouped under the following headings with reference to the reason for their return, not more than one such sub-group being listed on the same sheet: (1) Deceased, (2) Sick and Wounded (3) Prisoners, (4) For Duty, (5) On Leave or Furlough, (6) Miscellaneous. The word "Casuals" and the name of the group will be entered in the space provided for name of organization, and the Embarkation Personnel Adjutant will sign his name in the space provided for the signature of organization commander.					
To be filled in by company or detachment commander	Give full name of organization including company and regimental designation		To be filled in by Debarkation Personnel Adjutant, U. S. A.		
To be filled in by Embarkation Personnel Adjutant, A. E. F.	Name of vessel	Port of sailing	Date of sailing	Port of Arrival	Date of Arrival
	U. S. S. AGAMEMNON	BREST	JUL 12 1919		
No.	NAME AND SERIAL NUMBER Example: HENDERSON, HARRIS F. 1,234,567	Rank & Arm or Staff Corps. Example: Capt A. G.	Organization (regiment and company or detachment)	NOTIFY IN CASE OF EMERGENCY. (Give name in full for example Mrs. Mary A. Smith)	Relationship (Example: mother) ADDRESS (Number, Street, City and State) Do not abbreviate.
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>CAMP MERRITT</div> <div>LEAVE double space between entries. All typewriting must be in CAPITAL LETTERS.</div> </div>					
4.	TORBRON, JACK T. 1,044,892	1ST FA	HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, 20TH FIELD ARTILLERY.	MRS. ORIN F. TORBRON MOTHER	101 EAST PECAN STREET, GAINESVILLE, TEXAS.



16. Fold3: WWI Military Cablegrams- AEF (American Expeditionary Forces) and War Department

Over 17,000 pages of cablegrams within the Adjutant General's Office, based on NARA microfilm series M930: Regular, Confidential, and Courier Cablegrams Exchanged between General Headquarters, AEF, and the War Department. The cablegram collection on Fold3 includes all cablegrams exchanged between the General Headquarters of the American Expeditionary Forces and the War Department with the exception of the series listing names of casualties sustained by the AEF.

17. Fold3: US Veterans Administration Pension Payment Cards

- This collection consists of pension payment cards showing payments made between 1907 and 1933 to members of the Regular Army and Navy, digitized from NARA microfilm series M850.

NAME: Torbron, Richard		(3-P. A. 1.)					
Certificate No. 1012617	ARMY INVALID.	Law: Act of Feb. 6, 1907.					
Service: First Sgt H 16 U.S. Inf.	DEAD						
Disability:							
ISSUES.							
CLASS.	RATE.	DATE OF COMMENCEMENT.	DATE OF CERTIFICATE.	CLASS.	RATE.	DATE OF COMMENCEMENT.	DATE OF CERTIFICATE.
Reis 12		13 Mar 1907	28 June 1907				
Inc 15		24 Feb 1908	16 Mar 1908				
Fees:							
Transferred from: KNOXVILLE, TENN.				Transferred to:			
Died: 3 June 1912		Bureau notified 3-798 7/3-3/10/13-0		Remarks: Pay amt held in suspension and resume			
Remarks: 411 St Charles St. N. O. La		C of Death - 12th Reg. Inf. in full to pensioner B. L. Jan 2, 1912		1st m. 1/6/12			
Off. found to Com. 1-3-12. Reg. m. 1-2-12.		720 St. Joseph St.		ONE HALF SUSPENDED (or WITHHELD)			
Former Roll No. 970		Act of June 27, 1890.		BUREAU ORDER OF Aug. 14, 1911			
Home: Chilbury, Tex 303				Chilbury, Tex 303			



18. Searching Ancestry.com for WWI Military Records

World War I—the war to end all wars.

Europe had been at war for two and a half years before the United States joined WWI in 1917. In one year, the U.S. expanded its military from 300,000 to more than 4.8 million soldiers. Search our extensive WWI collections, with more than 40 million names, to see if your ancestors were among those who served in the Great War.

[ALL MILITARY COLLECTIONS](#) [REVOLUTIONARY WAR](#) [CIVIL WAR](#) [WORLD WAR I](#) [WORLD WAR II](#) [OTHER CONFLICTS](#)

Search World War I (1917–1918) Military Records

First & Middle Name(s)	Last Name	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
	Year	Location
Birth	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Death	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Lived In	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Military	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Any Event	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Gender

-- Select --

Race/Nationality

Keyword

Occupation, street address, etc.

SEARCH

Let us help you discover your story.

Begin your free family tree with a few simple facts. We'll help you discover a lot more.

START YOUR TREE

Featured Collections

[World War I Draft Registration Cards](#)
Draft registration cards for more than 24 million men who registered for the WWI draft in 1917 and 1918.

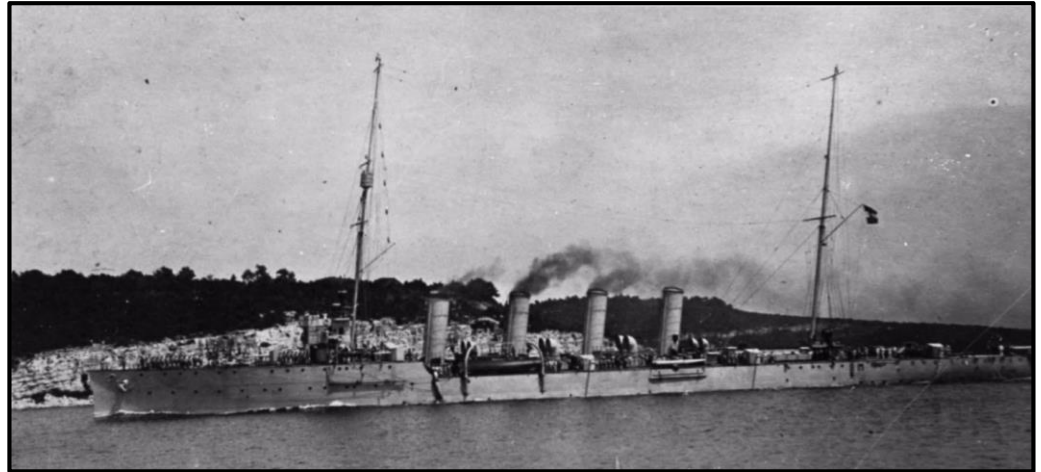
[U.S. World War I Mothers' Pilgrimage](#)
More than 10,000 names of widows and mothers entitled to make the U.S. government sponsored pilgrimage to visit their loved one's grave in Europe.

[World War I, World War II and Korean War Casualty Listings](#)
Names of more than 135,000 casualties from World War I, World War II and the Korean War.

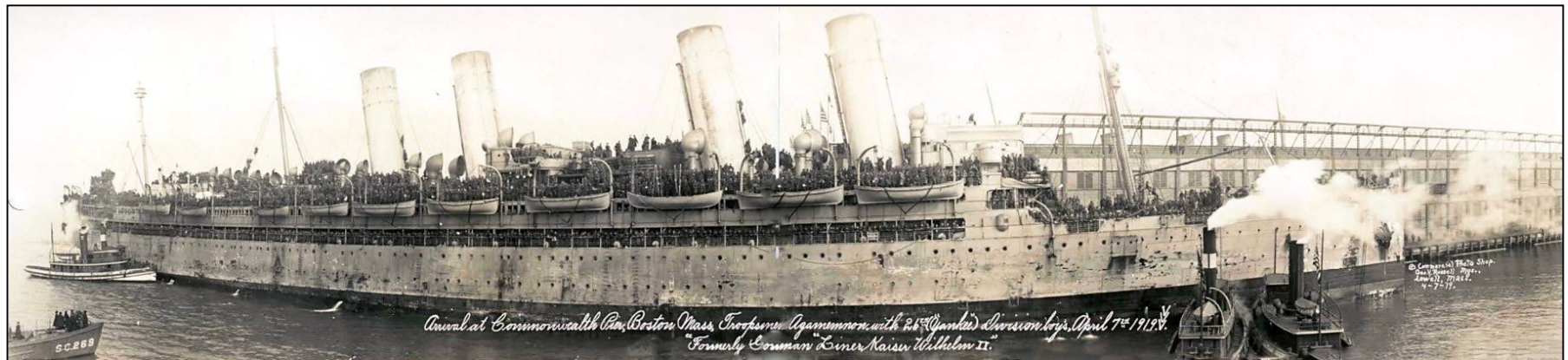
19. Ancestry.com World War I Image Collection

- Ancestry has a large collection of WWI military records, but is also the only website with a complete index and image collection of more than 24 million WWI draft registration cards. Spanning from 1914 to roughly 1930, the WWI Collection includes more than 40 million names from all existing U.S. states.

The Troop Transport Ship, **Novara**, which took Jack to France from Montreal, Canada



The Troop Transport Ship, **Agamemnon**, which took Jack from Germany to Camp Merritt, New Jersey



20. Ancestry.com: U.S. Headstone Applications for Military Veterans, 1925-1963

WAR DEPARTMENT
O. Q. M. G. Form No. 623
Approved Aug. 12, 1913
Revised July 15, 1929

ORIGINAL *SAW* 58230
6767

APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE

(PLEASE MAKE OUT AND RETURN IN DUPLICATE)

Cannot identify

Name <i>TORBRON,</i> <i>GEROME FROST</i>	Rank <i>Private</i>	Company <i>L</i>	U. S. Regiment, State Organization, or Vessel <i>3d Tex Inf</i>	Date of Death <i>Oct. 19, 1918</i>
Name of Cemetery <i>Torbron Jerome F</i>	Located in or near— City <i>Johnson County Cleburne Texas</i>		If World War Veteran— Division State Emblem Christian Hebrew None	

TO BE SHIPPED TO *Miss Maudel Torbron*, at *Cleburne Texas*
(Name of consignee) (Give town, county, and State)

POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE *303 N. Main St., Cleburne, Texas*

DO NOT WRITE HERE

Verified *LEE MASS. OCT 13 1930*

Ordered *11-8-30*

From

Shipped *11-8-30*

I hereby agree to accept the headstone at above destination, freight prepaid, and properly place same at decedent's grave.

This application is for the UNMARKED* grave of a *Frost Torbron*. It is understood the stone will be furnished and delivered at the railroad station or steamboat landing above indicated, at Government expense, freight prepaid, and agreed it will be promptly removed and set up at private expense.

243122

Maudel Torbron, Applicant.

Address *303 N. Main Cleburne* Date *July 3, 1930.*

*Stones must not be requested for any grave at which a private stone, monument, or other permanent marker is already erected or is to be erected.
†State whether soldier, sailor, marine, Army nurse, etc.

3-3854

Filed by H. n. J. P. Buchanan 7-7-30

21. Cyndis List



<http://www.cyndislist.com/ww1/>

World War I: The Great War

Category Index

- Battles, Battlefields & Military Sites
- General Resources
- Internment
- Libraries, Archives & Museums
- Locality Specific: Australia & New Zealand
- Locality Specific: Canada
- Locality Specific: Miscellaneous
- Locality Specific: United Kingdom & Ireland
- Locality Specific: United States
- Medals, Awards & Tributes
- Navies & Ships
- Newspapers & News Media
- People & Families
- Photographs & Memories
- Prisons & Prisoners
- Professionals, Volunteers & Other Research Services
- Publications, Software & Supplies
- Records: Military, Pension, Burial, Casualties
- Regimental Rosters & Histories
- Social Networking
- Societies & Groups

Related Categories

- Canada Military
- Military Worldwide
- U.K. Military
- U.S. Military
- U.S. Military: American Revolution
- U.S. Military: Civil War
- U.S. Military: Spanish-American War, 1898
- World War II

22. Requesting Military Records

– The Form

REQUEST MILITARY RECORDS

(SF 180)

If you want to request your next-of-kin's military service: go to:

<https://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records>.

1. Read especially, the information, *Number 3. Archival Records*. Your military ancestor **MUST HAVE** been discharged, retired, or died in service **62 OR MORE YEARS AGO (Before 1955)** to request military records.

2. You will need to enclose a death certificate.

3. Then you can fill out the form online and send the digital copy in to:

<https://www.archives.gov/files/research/order/standard-form-180.pdf>

REQUEST PERTAINING TO MILITARY RECORDS

Requests from veterans or deceased veteran's next-of-kin may be submitted online by using eVetRecs at <http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/>. To ensure the best possible service, please thoroughly review the accompanying instructions before filling out this form. PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY OR TYPE BELOW.

SECTION I - INFORMATION NEEDED TO LOCATE RECORDS (Furnish as much information as possible.)

1. NAME USED DURING SERVICE (last, first, full middle)	2. SOCIAL SECURITY #	3. DATE OF BIRTH	4. PLACE OF BIRTH			
5. SERVICE, PAST AND PRESENT (For an effective records search, it is important that ALL service be shown below.)						
	BRANCH OF SERVICE	DATE ENTERED	DATE RELEASED	OFFICER	ENLISTED	SERVICE NUMBER (If unknown, write "unknown")
a. ACTIVE	~			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b. RESERVE	~			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
c. STATE NATIONAL GUARD	~			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6. IS THIS PERSON DECEASED? <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES - MUST provide Date of Death if veteran is deceased: _____						
7. DID THIS PERSON RETIRE FROM MILITARY SERVICE? <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES						

SECTION II - INFORMATION AND/OR DOCUMENTS REQUESTED

1. CHECK THE ITEM(S) YOU ARE REQUESTING:

☐ DD Form 214 or equivalent. Year(s) in which form(s) issued to veteran: _____
This form contains information normally needed to verify military service. A copy may be sent to the veteran, the deceased veteran's next-of-kin, or other persons or organizations, if authorized in Section III, below. An UNDELETED DD214 is ordinarily required to determine eligibility for benefits. If you request a DELETED copy, the following items will be blacked out: authority for separation, reason for separation, reenlistment eligibility code, separation (SPD/SPN) code, and, for separations after June 30, 1979, character of separation and dates of time lost.
An UNDELETED copy will be sent UNLESS YOU SPECIFY A DELETED COPY by checking this box: ☐ I want a DELETED copy.

☐ Medical Records Includes Service Treatment Records, Health (outpatient) and Dental Records. IF HOSPITALIZED (inpatient) the FACILITY NAME and DATE (month and year) for EACH admission MUST be provided: _____

☐ Other (Specify): _____

2. PURPOSE: (Providing information about the purpose of the request is strictly voluntary; however, it may help to provide the best possible response and may result in a faster reply. Information provided will in no way be used to make a decision to deny the request.)

☐ Benefits (explain) ☐ Employment ☐ VA Loan Programs ☐ Medical ☐ Genealogy ☐ Correction ☐ Personal ☐ Other (explain)

Explain here: _____

SECTION III - RETURN ADDRESS AND SIGNATURE

1. REQUESTER NAME: _____

2. ☐ I am the MILITARY SERVICE MEMBER OR VETERAN identified in Section I, above.
☐ I am the DECEASED VETERAN'S NEXT-OF-KIN (MUST submit Proof of Death. See item 2a on instruction sheet.)

(Relationship to deceased veteran)

3. SEND INFORMATION/DOCUMENTS TO:
(Please print or type. See item 4 on accompanying instructions.)

Name _____
Street _____ Apt. _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

4. AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURE: I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the information in this Section III is true and correct and that I authorize the release of the requested information. (See items 2a or 3a on accompanying instruction sheet. Without the Authorization Signature of the veteran, next-of-kin of deceased veteran, veteran's legal guardian, authorized government agent, or other authorized representative, only limited information can be released unless the request is archival. No signature is required if the request is for archival records.)

☐ I am the VETERAN'S LEGAL GUARDIAN (MUST submit copy of Court Appointment) or AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE (MUST submit copy of Authorization Letter or Power of Attorney)
☐ OTHER _____
(Specify type of Other)

Signature Required - Do not print _____ Date _____
Daytime phone _____ Fax Number _____
Email address _____

* This form is available at <http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/standard-form-180.html> on the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) web site. *

23. Requesting Military Records - Instructions

Find the correct branch

INSTRUCTION AND INFORMATION SHEET FOR SF 180, REQUEST PERTAINING TO MILITARY RECORDS

1. General Information. The Standard Form 180, Request Pertaining to Military Records (SF180) is used to request information from military records. Certain identifying information is necessary to determine the location of an individual's record of military service. Please try to answer each item on the SF 180. If you do not have and cannot obtain the information for an item, show "NA," meaning the information is "not available." Include as much of the requested information as you can. Incomplete information may delay response time. To determine where to mail this request see Page 2 of the SF180 for record locations and facility addresses.

Online requests may be submitted to the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) by a veteran or deceased veteran's next-of-kin using eVetRecs at <http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/>.

2. Personnel Records/Military Human Resource Records/Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) and Medical Records/Service Treatment Records (STR). Personnel records of military members who were discharged, retired, or died in service LESS THAN 62 YEARS AGO and medical records are in the legal custody of the military service department and are administered in accordance with rules issued by the Department of Defense and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS, Coast Guard). STRs of persons on active duty are generally kept at the local servicing clinic. After the last day of active duty, STRs should be requested from the appropriate address on page 2 of the SF 180. (See item 3, Archival Records, if the military member was discharged, retired or died in service more than 62 years ago.)

a. **Release of information:** Release of information is subject to restrictions imposed by the military services consistent with Department of Defense regulations, the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and the Privacy Act of 1974. The service member (either past or present) or the member's legal guardian has access to almost any information contained in that member's own record. The authorization signature of the service member or the member's legal guardian is needed in Section III of the SF 180. Others requesting information from military personnel records and/or STRs must have the release authorization in Section III of the SF 180 signed by the member or legal guardian. If the appropriate signature cannot be obtained, only limited types of information can be provided. If the former member is deceased, the surviving next-of-kin may, under certain circumstances, be entitled to greater access to a deceased veteran's records than a member of the general public. The next-of-kin may be any of the following: unmarried surviving spouse, father, mother, son, daughter, sister, or brother. Requesters **MUST provide proof of death, such as a copy of a death certificate, newspaper article (obituary) or death notice, coroner's report of death, funeral director's signed statement of death, or verdict of coroner's jury.**

b. **Fees for records:** There is no charge for most services provided to service members or next-of-kin of deceased veterans. A nominal fee is charged for certain types of service. In most instances, service fees cannot be determined in advance. If your request involves a service fee, you will receive an invoice with your records.

3. Archival Records. Personnel records of military members who were discharged, retired, or died in service 62 OR MORE YEARS AGO have been transferred to the legal custody of NARA and are referred to as "archival records".

a. **Release of Information:** Archival records are open to the public. The Privacy Act of 1974 does not apply to archival records, therefore, written authorization from the veteran or next-of-kin is not required. In order to protect the privacy of the veteran, his/her family, and third parties named in the records, the personal privacy exemption of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552 (b) (6)) may still apply and may preclude the release of some information.

b. **Fees for Archival Records:** Access to archival records are granted by offering copies of the records for a fee (44 U.S.C. 2116 (c)). If a fee applies to the photocopies of documents in the requested record, you will receive an invoice. Photocopies will be sent after payment is made. For more information see <http://www.archives.gov/st-louis/archival-programs/military-personnel-archival/omfp-archival-requests.html>.

4. Where reply may be sent. The reply may be sent to the service member or any other address designated by the service member or other authorized requester. If the designated addressee by the U.S. Postal Service (USPS), provide BOTH the addressee's name AND "in care of" (c/o) the name of the person to whom the address is registered on the NAME line in Section III, item 3, on page 1 of the SF 180. The COMPLETE address must be provided, INCLUDING any apartment/suite/unit/lot/space/etc. number.

5. Definitions and abbreviations. DISCHARGED -- the individual has no current military status; SERVICE TREATMENT RECORD (STR) -- The chronology of medical, mental health, and dental care received by service members during the course of their military career (does not include records of treatment while hospitalized); TDRL -- Temporary Disability Retired List.

6. Service completed before World War I. National Archives Trust Fund (NATF) forms must be used to request these records. Obtain the forms by e-mail from inquire@nara.gov or write to the Code 6 address on page 2 of the SF 180.

PRIVACY ACT OF 1974 COMPLIANCE INFORMATION

The following information is provided in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(3) and applies to this form. Authority for collection of the information is 44 U.S.C. 2907, 3101, and 3103, and Public Law 104-134 (April 26, 1996), as amended in title 31, section 7701. Disclosure of the information is voluntary. If the requested information is not provided, it may delay servicing your inquiry because the facility servicing the service member's record may not have all of the information needed to locate it. The purpose of the information on this form is to assist the facility servicing the records (see the address list) in locating the correct military service record(s) or information to answer your inquiry. This form is then retained as a record of disclosure. The form may also be disclosed to Department of Defense components, the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS, U.S. Coast Guard), or the National Archives and Records Administration when the original custodian of the military health and personnel records transfers all or part of those records to that agency. If the service member was a member of the National Guard, the form may also be disclosed to the Adjutant General of the appropriate state, District of Columbia, or Puerto Rico, where he or she served.

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT PUBLIC BURDEN STATEMENT

Public burden reporting for this collection of information is estimated to be five minutes per request, including time for reviewing instructions and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of the collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to National Archives and Records Administration (ISSD), 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001. DO NOT SEND COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND COMPLETED FORMS TO THE APPROPRIATE ADDRESS LISTED ON PAGE 2 OF THE SF 180.

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The various categories of military service records are described in the chart below. For each category there is a code number which indicates the address at the bottom of the page to which this request should be sent. Please refer to the Instruction and Information Sheet accompanying this form as needed.

BRANCH	CURRENT STATUS OF SERVICE MEMBER	Personnel Record		Medical or Service Treatment Record	
AIR FORCE	Discharged, deceased, or retired before 5/1/1994	14	14		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 5/1/1994 - 9/30/2004	14	11		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 10/1/2004 - 12/31/2013	1	11		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired on or after 1/1/2014	1	13		
	Active (including National Guard on active duty in the Air Force), TDRL, or general officers retired with pay	1			
	Reserve, IRR, Retired Reserve in non-pay status, current National Guard officers not on active duty in the Air Force, or National Guard released from active duty in the Air Force	2			
COAST GUARD	Current National Guard enlisted not on active duty in the Air Force	2	13		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired before 1/1/1898	6			
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 1/1/1898 - 3/31/1998	14	14		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 4/1/1998 - 9/30/2006	14	11		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 10/1/2006 - 9/30/2013	3	11		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired on or after 10/1/2013	3	14		
MARINE CORPS	Active, Reserve, Individual Ready Reserve or TDRL	3			
	Discharged, deceased, or retired before 1/1/1895	6			
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 1/1/1905 - 4/30/1994	14	14		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 5/1/1994 - 12/31/1998	14	11		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 1/1/1999 - 12/31/2013	4	11		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired on or after 1/1/2014	4	8		
ARMY	Individual Ready Reserve	5			
	Active, Selected Marine Corps Reserve, TDRL	4			
	Discharged, deceased, or retired before 1/1/1912 (enlisted) or before 7/1/1917 (officer)	6			
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 1/1/1912 - 10/15/1992 (enlisted) or 7/1/1917 - 10/15/1992 (officer)	14			
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 10/16/1992 - 9/30/2002	14	11		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired (including TDRL) 10/1/2002 - 12/31/2013	7	11		
NAVY	Discharged, deceased, or retired (including TDRL) on or after 1/1/2014	7	9		
	Current Soldier (Active, Reserve (including Individual Ready Reserve) or National Guard)	7			
	Discharged, deceased, or retired before 1/1/1886 (enlisted) or before 1/1/1903 (officer)	6			
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 1/1/1886 - 1/30/1994 (enlisted) or 1/1/1903 - 1/30/1994 (officer)	14	14		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 1/31/1994 - 12/31/1994	14	11		
	Discharged, deceased, or retired 1/1/1995 - 12/31/2013	10	11		
PHS	Discharged, deceased, or retired on or after 1/1/2014	10	8		
	Active, Reserve, or TDRL	10			
Public Health Service - Commissioned Corps officers only		12			

ADDRESS LIST OF CUSTODIANS AND SELF-SERVICE WEBSITES (BY CODE NUMBERS SHOWN ABOVE) - Where to write/send this form

1	Air Force Personnel Center HQ AFPC/DPSIRP 550 C Street West, Suite 19 Randolph AFB, TX 78150-4721	6	National Archives & Records Administration Research Services (RDTIR) 700 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20408-0001	11	Department of Veterans Affairs Records Management Center ATTN: Release of Information P.O. Box 5020 St. Louis, MO 63115-5020
2	Air Reserve Personnel Center Records Management Branch (DPTSC) 18420 E. Silver Creek Avenue Building 390 MS 68 Buckley AFB, CO 80011	7	US Army Human Resources Command's web page: https://www.hrc.army.mil/AGID/Accessing%20the%20Requesting%20your%20Official%20Military%20Personnel%20File%20Documents or 1-888-ARMYHRC (1-888-276-9472)	12	Division of Commissioned Corps Officer Support ATTN: Records Officer 1101 Wonton Parkway, Plaza Level, Suite 100 Rockville, MD 20852
3	Commander, Personnel Service Center (HOPSC-MIR) MS7200 U.S. Coast Guard 2763 Martin Luther King Jr Ave SE Washington, DC 20593-7200 MR_CustomerService@uscg.mil	8	Navy Medicine Records Activity (NMRA) BUMED Detachment St. Louis 4300 Goodfellow Boulevard, Building 103 St. Louis, MO 63120	13	AF STR Processing Center ATTN: Release of Information 3370 Nacogdoches Road, Suite 116 San Antonio, TX 78217
4	Headquarters U.S. Marine Corps Manpower Management Records & Performance (MMRP-10) 2008 E 10th Road Quantico, VA 22134-5030	9	AMEDD Record Processing Center 3370 Nacogdoches Road, Suite 116 San Antonio, TX 78217	14	National Personnel Records Center (Military Personnel Records) 1 Archives Drive St. Louis, MO 63128-1002
5	Marine Forces Reserve 2000 Opelousas Avenue New Orleans, LA 70146-5400	10	Navy Personnel Command (PERS-313) 5720 Integrity Drive Millington, TN 38055-3120		eVetRecs: http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/



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S. C. S. Computer Genealogy Class

(No class in November)

Thursday, December 14, 2017, 10:00 a.m.

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Part 2 Agenda:

- 1. Exploring Other Types of WWI Military Records*
- 2. Bring and Share an heirloom of Your WWI Ancestor*