

**DEDICATION OF THE WORLD WAR 1  
MEMORIAL**

**Memorial Day**

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**Auburn, New York**



# **World War 1 Memorial Booklet**

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## WHO WERE THEY?

They were the generation born near the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. The generation of our fathers, grandfathers and great grandfathers. They left family, wives, sweethearts, and jobs to go off to war whose origins and purpose probably weren't completely understood by them. Some thought of the war as an adventure the dimensions of which they had little comprehension.

A ghastly war broke out in Europe in August, 1914 which before it ended claimed the lives of nine million men and wounded 20 million. The so-called innocence of the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century evaporated. Quoting a commentator of the PBS series *The Great War*: "the war ushered in the history's most violent century; it colored everything before and cast a shadow on everything that came thereafter." The war had been raging for nearly three years when the United States entered it in April, 1917. The men who were members of the State's National Guard were called to service immediately. In July of 1917 a national draft was instituted. Men between the ages of 22 and 30 had to register. Eventually 1440 were called to duty from Auburn and Cayuga County.

The Cayuga County men were a diverse group. They came from all walks of life: clerks, farmers, salesman, railroad-men, butler, factory-men, tailor, storeowners, lawyers, and doctors. Some were recent immigrants.

This Memorial being dedicated today is intended to commemorate the 135 Auburn and Cayuga County, New York men who died in service as well as those who were wounded, some severely.

The war was labeled as *The Great War* and *The War to End All Wars*, so called because it was beyond anyone's imagination that such a madness could happen again.

Nine men from the County received the Distinguished Service Cross including two posthumously, a medal award for valor in the face of the enemy, second only in rank to the nation's highest honor, the Medal of Honor.

Some fought in the legendary battles of the war: Chateau Thierry, Belleau Wood, Hindenberg Line, St. Mihiel, Cantigny, and Meuse-Argonne. One

died as a member of the famous *Lost Battalion*. Twenty-five of those who died are still buried in American cemeteries in France.

Several died from the virulent flu pandemic that swept the world in the Spring, Summer, and Fall of 1918 killing 20.6 Million people, twice the number of those killed in action during the four years of war.

Gathered in this booklet is as much information about these men as can be reasonably obtained now that 86 years has passed since the beginning of the United States' entry into the war. Several references were used principally the local newspapers of the time: the *Auburn Citizen* and the *Advertiser-Journal*. Draft registration records were very helpful as were the records of the National Archives and local historians.

The booklet contains four parts: 1.) An alphabetical listing of those who died by City and Towns. 2.) A master list including name and address, rank and unit, date of death, and a source of data. 3.) A section labeled *Profiles* which gives some personal information such as family members, occupation, church affiliation, schools attended (taken verbatim from the newspapers), and photographs as available. 4.) Lists of those who are buried in France and those who received the Distinguished Service Cross.

It is hoped that this booklet and the Memorial being dedicated today will serve the purpose of recording for this and future generations Cayuga County's role in World War 1 and the sacrifices they made.

The World War 1 Memorial Committee wishes to thank the many persons and organizations whose contributions made the realization of this memorial possible.

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## PROFILES

**LLOYD S. ALLEN** Son of M/M Fredrick Allen of New York City and grandson of Gen. William H. Seward. Graduate of Yale University. Worked for Aldrich and Hall, Civil Engineers, Auburn. (c-aj05/01/18)

**EMANUEL ANTORE** 24 His remains received by his uncle Philip Catalino, 40 ½ Orchard St. Auburn. He had returned to the US from France and was recovering from wounds incurred overseas when stricken with pneumonia. He worked for the Columbian Rope Co. His parents reside in Italy. (c-aj02/10/19)



Fredrick G. Assman

**FREDRICK G. ASSMAN** \* 27 Son of Ceaser Assman, 38 Lake Avenue, Auburn, NY. Survived by his brother and a sister, Mrs. Fredrick Copp. His mother is deceased.

**MICHAEL BABCHAK** 23 Single. He is survived by his mother and three half brothers. A native of Polona-Zenplan, Hungary. His native language was Russian. He worked for Bowen Products. He was a member of St. Nicholas Church. Buried in the Ainse-Marne American Cemetery. (c-aj08/24/18-dr)

**BENJAMIN E. BALDWIN** 24 married. (Known as Earl) son of M/M Frank Baldwin of Montezuma. Survived by his wife Freida and a ten month old child, his parents and a sister. His occupation was as a machinist with James Stewart of Montezuma. Member of Rock Spring Church, Port Byron, NY and Odd Fellows Lodge. (c-aj 09/23/18-dr)

**ZYGMUNT BARANSKI** 24 Single. Native of Garbow, Poland. Immigrated in 1911. He is survived by a brother Joseph in Syracuse. His occupation was shoemaker with Thompson-Whitmore. He was a member of the Polish Falcons. He had told his brother that the wished to avenge his father's death (a Major in the Polish Army) who was killed by the Austrians earlier in the war on the eastern (Russian) front. Buried in the Somme Cemetery, France. (c-aj6/24/18-dr)



Judson H. Beecher

**JAMES M. BARRETT** 26 Son of Mrs. Sara R. Barrett of Mattie St. He is survived by his mother and a father Harry H. Barrett of Sandish, North Dakota, two brothers, John and Fay and a sister, Mrs. H.C. Bunell of Syracuse. He was a fireman on the Lehigh Valley RR. [ c-aj4/3/19 ]

**JUDSON H. BEECHER** \* 28 Born in Middleport. Son of Reverend and Mrs. William A. Beecher of Sennett. Judson was with the YMCA in France. He attended Mt. Herman School and Cornell University. [ c ]

**OTTO W. BERLIN** 28 Born in Oswego, NY. His nearest relative is Mrs. Hilda Berlin. He was a self-employed farmer in Sterling. Buried in the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery, France. [c-aj 11/30/18-dr ]

**WILLIS E. BEYEA** 28 Born in Whiteboro, NY. Employed as a salt manufacturer for Roto Salt Co. [ c-dr ]

**RAYMOND C. BLOOM** 24 A former Auburn resident, he had moved to Magdeln, New Mexico where he entered the service after the war broke out. He had attended Williams College and entered to become a missionary. He is buried in the national Cemetery at Santa Fey, New Mexico.



Bernard N. Braunig



Homer E. Bristol



Isaac C. Brooks



Elmer L. Burch, Jr.

**BERNARD N. BRAUNING** \* 21 Married. Born Dalton, Mass. Survived by his wife and mother E. L. McDaniels. Employed at McIntosh & Seymour. He was a member of St. Peter's Church. [ c-aj-dr]

**HOMER E. BRISTOL** \* 20 Son of John E. and Luella Bristol. Grandson of John S. Bristol, pioneer school teacher and J.G. Bethays, Auburn jeweler of years past. He was a member of the First Baptist Church and secretary of the bible school class. [c-aj 11/20/18]

**CHARLES BRITTON** 21 Born Watertown, NY. Son of Mary Britton of Captiol St. Employed by the New York Brake Co. [dr]

**ISAAC B. BROOKS** \* 25 Survived by his parents M/M Abram Brooks, and four sisters: Mrs. Mable Bartoux, Auburn; Mrs. Lillian Villars, Seneca Falls; Mrs. Belle Sherman, Weedsport; Mrs. Daisey Hayden of Phoenix; two brothers, George and Charles of Auburn. He was employed by the Auburn Iron Works. [c-aj-dr]

**ELMER L. BURCH, JR.** \* 23 Survived by his parents, M/M Elmer L. Burch, Sr., a sister Gladys, two brothers, Roy and Glenn all of Auburn. He worked for International Harvester Co. He was a member of the Hackney Social Club and Christ Church. [c-aj 9/30/18-dr]



Frank Calimeri

**THOMAS BURKE** “of this city” [c-n] Body returned to St. Catherine, County Cork, Ireland.

**FRANK CALIMERI** \* 18 Born in Torici, Italy. Survived by two brothers, James and Anthony, two sisters, Rose and Carmilla. He was a member of the Baldini-Delmoni Lodge and worked for the Auburn Button Works. The Calimeri-Italian Post #9 is named in his honor. [c]

**JOSEPH A. CARR** \* 27 Survived by M/M James J. Carr of Auburn and brothers, Paul and Frank in the Navy and a sister Mary. He was a graduate of Cornell University and former City Editor of the Auburn Advertiser-Journal newspaper and a



Joseph A. Carr



Henry J. Case



Charles L. Cerio

reporter for the Auburn Citizen newspaper. [c-aj 10/22/18]

**HENRY J. CASE** \* 26 Only son of James Henry Case and Alma Case of Locke, NY. His nearest relative now living is Sara A. Durnrod. He was a self-employed farmer in Venice Ctr. {c-aj 10/22/18-dr}

**CHARLES L. CERIO** \* 19 Survived by his parents, M/M Joseph Cerio, six brothers: Leo, John, Frank, George, Louis all of Auburn, Thomas of New York City and two sisters: Mrs. Alfred Antonacci and Miss Mary Cerio. [c-aj 01/23/19]



Leslie K. Chapman

**LESLIE K. CHAPMAN** \* Son of M/M Lee Chapman. Graduate of Auburn High School and Cornell University. He was a member of the Sphinx Head Society and St. Paul's Lodge F&AM. [c]

**JOHN S. CHRISTIANSEN** \* Born Newark Valley. Son of M/M Peter Christensen. He was employed by the Beacon Falls Rubber Co. as a salesman. [c-aj 11/21/18 a/o 10/16/18?]



John S. Christiansen

**FRANK G. CHURCHILL** 30 Survived by his mother Gertie Churchill and a sister Minnie Hoagland. Employed by John Hall of Moravia. The Moravia American Legion Post is named in his honor. Buried in the Suresnes Cemetery, France. [c-aj 11/26/18 dr]

**CLARENCE L. CLARK** \* The American Legion Post in Weedsport is named in his honor. Buried in the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery, France.



Clarence L. Clark



Delmer Close



John N. Cool



Francis J. Cullen

**DELMER CLOSE** \* 23

Single. Survived by his parents, M/M Lamar Close, two brothers: Howard and Clyde and a sister Olive all of Locke. He was employed by Dwight Harris of Summerhill. [c-aj 12/10/18-dr]

**JOHN N. COOL** \* 23 Survived by his mother Mrs. Margaret Cool of Port Byron. The American Legion Post in Port Byron is named in his honor. [c]

**LAROWE CORNELL** 23 Single. Survived by his mother Mrs. Sara Cornell. [c-aj 12/10/18]

**FRANCIS J. CULLEN** \* 29 (Known as Red). Survived by his mother Margaret M. Cullen of First Ave., a brother Thomas, also in service and a sister Margaret of Auburn. Sgt. Cullen was awarded the French Croix De Guerre and the French Military Medal. [c-aj 02/06/19]

**CLIFTON A. DAKINS** 22 Born in Fairhaven. Was employed by McLaughlin's Restaurant, 42 State St., Auburn. [dr]

**JOSEPH A. DAILEY** 24 Survived by his parents who live in Syracuse, four brothers: James, John, William, Francis and a sister Margaret. His father died of an accident six days before his mother was notified of her son's death. [c-aj 08/17/18]

**GEORGE A DAWSON** \* 26 Born in Alvablackmannshire, Scotland. Survived by his parents, a brother Hugh all of Philadelphia (Germantown) Pa., a sister Elizabeth Dawson and an aunt Isabelle Dawson both of Auburn. He was employed by the Foster-Ross Store and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. [c-aj 10/14/18]



**George A. Dawson**



**Mather De St Croix**



**Frank R. Dixon**



**William James Douglas**

**ALFRED DESSOR** Formerly a resident of Union Springs. He was a member of the Hardenberg Lodge No. 48 IOOF in Auburn. He is buried in the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery in France.

**MATHER DE ST. CROIX** \* 19 Resident of Spring Lake. Survived by his parents M/M John DeSt. Croix of Savanah, NY. Buried in the Aisne-Marne Cemetery, France. [c-aj 01/09/18]

**FRANK R. DIXSON** \* 24 Son of M/M Arthur L. Dixson of King Ferry, and a brother Clifton, in the Marine Corps. He was a member of the Odd Fellows in Poplar Ridge Lodge. He worked as an assistant chemist for the Ithaca Condensed Milk and Cream Co. [c-aj 05/06/18]



**Dewey M. Exner**

**WILLIAM JAMES DOUGLAS** \* 33 [Called James] Born in England. Enlisted in the Canadian Army in 1916. Survived by his parents William and Hannah Douglas, Bradford St., brothers Joseph and Allen and sisters Mrs. Frank Waters of Auburn and Miss Annie Douglas of Syracuse. He was employed by the International Harvester and the Empire Gas and Electric Co. [c-aj 11/21/18]

**DEWEY M. EXNER** \* 20 A brother Fred was in the same Army unit: the 108<sup>th</sup> Regiment, 27<sup>th</sup> Division. [c]

**JOSEPH FAILEY** [c] Previously fought in Cuba with the Marines. Had many friends in Auburn and Syracuse.



George Fillingham

**GEORGE FILLINGHAM** \* 38 Son of Edward G. and Sara Fillingham [c]

**JAMES B. FLYNN** 24 Single Survived by his parents M/M Jerimiah Flynn of Weedsport, a brother Lt. Jerimiah Flynn and a sister in Weedsport. He worked as a lineman for the Niagara-Lockport Power Co. Buried in the Oise-Ainse Cemetery, France. [c-aj 12/04/18-dr]

**LEROY FOLTS** [c-aj 01/18/19-h]



Jesse E. Frazer

**JESSE E. FRAZER** \* 19 Only son of Charles J. Frazer, of Throop. Graduate of the Colby Wireless School. Employed as a guard at Auburn Prison. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. [c-aj 01/05/19 & 07/10/18]



Earl T. Frisbie

**EARL T. FRISBIE** \* 22 Son of M/M Charles Frisbie of Throopville. Survived by his father and a brother Charles of Auburn. He worked for Hemmingway Co. in Aurelius. [c-aj 01/14/19-dr]



Carl Glass

**JAMES GETMAN** \*27 Previously a resident of Port Byron, he moved to Rochester, NY. While in Auburn he was a member of St. Paul's Lodge of Masons. Before being transferred to the 305<sup>th</sup> Infantry, he was a member of the 108<sup>th</sup> Regimental Band, whose members were made up mostly from the Salem Town Band of Auburn.



James Getman

**CARL GLASS** \* 27 Son of Wilbert Glass of Sennett. Buried in the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery, France. [c]

**JOSEPH F. GRADY** \* 21 Survived by his parents James and Elizabeth Grady of Union Springs. [c]



Joseph F. Grady



Berchmans J. Graham

**BERCHMANS J. GRAHAM** \* 21 [Known as Bert]. Survived by his parents, M/M James J. Graham, Lewis St., two brothers Harry and Leo of Auburn and a sister Mrs. G. Harmon of Buffalo. He was a member of the Holy Name Society of Holy Family Church, the YMCA, and the Uniform Rank of Macabees. He was employed by the International Harvester Co. [c-aj 5/21/18]

**MOTT GREENLEAF** \*22 Son of M/M George Greenleaf and brother of Bert Greenleaf all of Locke. He was a member of the Methodist Church in Locke [c-aj 4/16/18]



Mott Greenleaf



Lawrence Gunger



Glenn Hall

**LAWRENCE GUNGER** \*

Survived by his parents who reside just outside Port Byron and a brother Clifford. [c-aj 11/29/18]

**GLENN A. HALL** \* 23 Survived by his mother Cora Hall, a brother Homer, and an uncle R.E.Cady. He worked for the Cady Company. He was a member of the Hueston Club of the First Presbyterian Church. [c-aj 12/16/18]



Joseph Hanley

**JOSEPH HANLEY** \* 28 Survived by his mother Mrs. Margaret Hanley, brothers James, Michael, John and William and five sisters: Ella, Mary, Agnes and Bridget, all of Auburn and Mrs. Philip J. Bair of Syracuse. Worked for Dunn and McCarthy. He was a member of St. Mary's Church [c-aj 11/25/18]



Wilford S. Hawley

**WILFORD S. HAWLEY** \* 24 Married. Survived by his wife Hazel Anna Barth and his parents M/M Daniel Hawley, six sisters: Cornelia, Jennie, Cora, Marie, Marian, and Caroline and a brother Edward all of Union Springs. He worked for the Sager Drug Store. [c-aj 3/11/19-dr]



Charles E. Hearn

**CHARLES E. HEARN** \* 30 Survived by his father Philip Hearn of Port Byron and four brothers. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Auburn Aeire of Eagles and President of its Booster Club and secretary of Auburn Local 745 of Railway Trainmen. He was the proprietor a grocery store on Baker Ave. [c-aj 12/19/18]

**RICHARD J. HERBERT** \* 25 Survived by his mother Ellen, proprietor of Herbert Furniture Store, and three brothers: Thomas H., James B., and William F. all of Auburn. He graduated from Auburn High School in 1914 and was class treasurer. He worked for the Lehigh Valley Railroad. [c-aj 10/8/18-dr]



Richard J. Herbert



Leland H. Herrick



William Hewson

**LELAND H. HERRICK** \* 23 Survived by his parents M/M William Herrick, North Division St. He was one of six members of his family in service to their country. He was employed by the Nye-Wait Company. [c-dr]

**WILLIAM HEWSON** \* Born England. Enlisted in the Canadian Army. Employed by the International Harvester Co. and was the third of his family that gave their life in service. A brother, Joseph, of Grove Ave. received word of his death. He was a member of the First Methodist Church. [c-aj 10/16/18-w]



Claude R. Hicks

**CLAUDE R. HICKS** \* 23 Single. Born Jersey City, NJ. Son of M/M A.D. Hicks of Delavan Street. Member of Hueston Club of the First Church. He worked for the Bowen Company. He had previously served with Company M at the Mexican border. [c-dr]

**JOHN HISERODT**

[c] See Master List

**ROY E. HOLCOMB**

See Master List



Lewis P. Hopper

**LEWIS P. HOPPER** \* 26 Married. Survived by his wife and son, his mother Emma Hopper, sisters Mrs. Robert Graham, Mrs. William David and Miss Helen Hopper; brothers Harry and Raymond [in service] all of Auburn. He was employed by the Howard Feed Co. [c-aj 12/16/18-dr]

**JOHN HOWELL** Although he and his family had moved to Fairport, NY where he entered the service, he was formerly from Genoa. He is buried in the St. Mihiel Cemetery in France.



George E. Ingersoll



Joseph Johnston

**GEORGE D. HUBERT** 29 Survived by his wife Bertha (Madison) Hubert and parents M/M Earl S. Hubert of Locke, two sisters Mrs. Isaac Madison of Locke and Mrs. Dana Bond of Cortland. He conducted a meat market in Locke. He was a veteran of the Spanish American War. [c-aj 9/7/18-dr]

**GEORGE E. INGERSOLL** \* 26 Single. He was a self-employed mechanic from Sterling Station. The Fairhaven American Legion Post is named in his honor. [c-dr]



Thomas C. Joslyn

**EUGENE J. IRISH** 27 Single. Son of M/M Miles S. Irish. Survived by his mother. He was the oldest of five sons, all in service and a graduate of Cornell University. Buried in the St. Mihiel Cemetery, France. [c-aj 12/14/18-dr]

**ARTHUR W. IVES** 20 Grandson of Alburn and Emily Ives of Genoa. [h]

**FLOYD J. JASHANSKI** 21 Son of M/M Julian Jashanski of Cato. He was born in Pennsylvania. He served on the Mexican Border. [c]

**JOSEPH JOHNSTON** \* 25 Born Carlisle, Cumberland, England. He joined the Canadian Army. Survived by his mother Mrs. Jessie Johnson of Carlisle, England. While in Auburn he was employed by the Woolen Mill and Bowen Products. His brother Thomas lost his life drowning in Owasco Lake while rescuing a friend. [c-aj-w]

**THOMAS C. JOSLYN** \* 23 Survived by his father Peter Joslyn of Fox Ridge, Town of Montezuma. [c-u]



Leland A. Kilmer

**LELAND A. KILMER** \* 18 Survived by his parents M/M Howard Kilmer, Owasco St., one sister Mrs. Swaze of Ithaca and two brothers, Claude, in service and Leslie R. of Ithaca. He was active in the First Methodist Church and the Loyal Sons Class of that Church. [c-aj]

**DANIEL H. KINNEY** Emergency address given c/o brother John Kinney of 72 Carter Street, Auburn. [n]

**JAY L. LA BUFF** \* 28 Married. Survived by his wife Mrs. Carol (Bussey) La Buff whom he married while on



Jay L. La Buff



Daniel W. Le Fever



Antonio Leone

furlough on January 14, 1918. [she was the daughter of Edwin F. Bussey, editor of the Cato Citizen newspaper], and his parents M/M Lemuel La Buff. He was connected with the Cato citizen and a Cato correspondent for Auburn and Syracuse newspapers. He was a member of Cato Lodge 141 F and A M and Cato Masonic Club. The Cato American Legion Post is named in his honor. [c-aj 3/4/19]

**AXEL LAURSEN** 28 Single. Born in Horsena, Denmark. He was employed as a butler for Dr. Seftan of Auburn. [dr]

**DANIEL W. LE FEVER** \* 24 Survived by his father Edmond Le Fever of Meridian, three brothers: Claude who was wounded in France, Edmond and Paul both of whom saw service in France; two sisters: Mrs. Lamphere and Miss Emma Le Fever of Meridian. He was commended for bravery by General O’Ryan, Commanding General of the 27<sup>th</sup> Division. [c-aj 12/07/18]

**ANTONIO LEONE** \* 24 Single. Born in Licenai, Morai, Italy. Nearest relative given as Rocco Lupo of West Street. He worked for the Groton Bridge Co. Tony Orpallo received the telegram notice of his death. Buried in the Oise-Aisne Cemetery, France. [c-aj 11/15/18-dr]



Paul L Maloney

**HARRY J. LEWIS** From Martville. He was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. Medal presented to his brother Merton Lewis. Buried in the Oise-Aisne Cemetery, France. [n]

**PAUL L. MALONEY** \* 24 Single. Survived by his brother William of Rochester, and six sisters: Mrs. T.H. Newcomb of Auburn, Mrs. Joseph Doyle of Dunkirk, Misses Josephine, Cecilia, Gertrude, and Katherine all of Auburn. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Holy Name Society of Holy Family Church. He was employed as a foreman for the A.J. Nicht Feed Co. of Auburn. [c-aj 9/27/18-dr]



John E. Mansfield



Edward J. Marr



John Martino

**EDWARD L. MANLEY** 17 Survived by his parents M/M George Manley of Skaneateles Junction. He was the eldest of 12 children: five brothers and six sisters. Buried in the Oise-Aisne Cemetery, France. [c-aj 8/21/18]

**JOHN E. MANSFIELD** \* 25 Son of William Mansfield of Cayuga Village. His brother W.E. Mansfield lives in Garfield Hts., Cleveland, Ohio and a sister Helen of Cayuga. He worked in the Mansfield Hotel. [c-aj 11/03/18-dr]

**EDWARD J. MARR** \* 26 Survived by a brother John Marr of Baker Ave. He joined the British/Welch Army early in the war. He received the Welch Croix de Guerre. He was the first casualty from Auburn, having been killed in action on December 23, 1916. [c]

**JOHN MARTINO** \* 22 Born in Italy. He was employed as a tailor by the firm of Mosher & Griswald. He started his own tailor shop at the corner of North and Genesee Streets. [c]



Carl A. Mayer

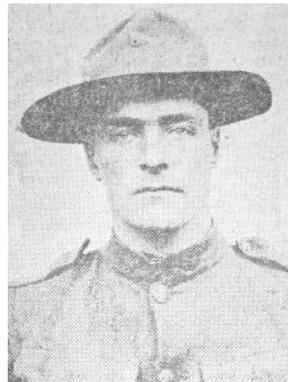
**CARL A. MAYER** \* 29 Married. Survived by his wife Jane (Foley) Mayer of Auburn. He worked in the dental office of Dr. Cutler of Batavia. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus. [c]

**FRANK B. McCANDREW** \* 22 Single. Son of James and Mary Ann McCandrew of Union Springs. He worked for J. Conaughty of Aurora, NY. [c-dr]

**EDWARD O. McGRAIN** 26 Single. Born Saginaw Michigan. Parents are from Michigan. He was the Trainmaster



Frank B. McCandrew



Clyde S. Mead



Valentine Meyer

for the Auburn Division of the Lehigh Valley Railroad; member of the Elks City Club and the Knights of Columbus. When he left Auburn he was engaged to Miss. Carolyn Fowler, daughter of the editor of the Advertiser-Journal. [c-aj 11/5/18]



John H. Morgan

**CLYDE S. MEAD** \* Married. Survived by his wife of Auburn and father, Sherman Mead. He was a well-known reporter for the Auburn Citizen newspaper and a member of the Odd Fellows. He previously saw duty with Company M, 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry at the Mexican border. Buried in the Somme Cemetery, France. [c-aj]

**VALENTINE MEYER** \* Word of his death received by relatives. [c]



John D. Murray

**JOHN H. MORGAN** \* 25 He has no relatives living. Born in Canisto, NY. Buried in the Somme Cemetery, France. [c]

**JOHN D. MURRAY** \* 28 Son of John Murray (deceased) and Barbara Murray, Tuxill Sq. and a brother William of Union Springs and one sister, Miss Isabelle Murray of Washington, DC. He was a former superintendent of Industries



Herbert C. Norris

at Auburn Prison and was later employed by E.N. Ross Grocery Co. Buried in the St. Mihiel Cemetery, France. [c-aj 11/2/18]

**HARRY MYPYL** 22 Single. Born on the Atlantic Ocean of German parents. He worked as a farm laborer for James King of Moravia. [dr]

**GUSTAF A. NACHBAHR** 27 Born Amsterdam, Holland. He worked as a farm laborer for Mrs. James Mehan, Hunter Rd., Cato. [dr-h]



Patrick O'Byrne



James O'Connor



Timothy O'Connor



George D. Palmer

**HERBERT C. NORRIS** \* His father lives in South Dakota. An uncle, England Norris, lives on South St. Rd. He was the manager of the Pilot Garage in Auburn. [c]

**PATRICK O'BYRNE** \* 18 Son of the late Joseph O'Byrne. Survived by one brother, Joseph O'Byrne and cousins Thomas, James and Paul Brennan all of Auburn. He attended St. Aloysius School. He is buried in the Somme Cemetery, France. [c-aj 11/27/18]

**JAMES O'CONNOR** \* 19 son of M/M John O'Connor of Clark St. Auburn. [c-aj 9/27/18]

**TIMOTHY O'CONNOR** \* Born in Boston. Survived by a brother Joseph and a sister Mrs. H.A. Sullivan of Rosendale, Mass. He was a graduate of Albany Law School and was secretary to Thomas Mott Osborne. Buried in the Somme Cemetery, France. [c-aj]

**GEORGE D. PALMER** \* 26 Single. Born Butler, NY. Son of M/M Owen Palmer of Port Byron. He was a self-employed farmer. [c-dr]



Edward F. Pease

**EDWARD F. PEASE** \*21 Survived by his mother, Katherine Pease of Weedsport. [c]

**GEORGE PELEUSE** Word of his death received by the Post Office. [c]

**DONALD PETERS** \*18 Survived by his parents M/M George Peters of Throopville and one sister, Mrs. O.G. Ware. [c]

**HERNDON D. QUIMBY** \* 28 Single. Survived by his



Donald Peters



Herndon D. Quimby



Frank E. Quinn

parents M/M Charles Quimby of Red Creek and a younger brother. He was a self-employed farmer in the town of Victory. [c-aj 7/22/18-dr]

**FRANK E. QUINN** \* 25 Single. Survived by his parents Thomas and Helen Quinn of Scipio. He worked as a farm laborer for R.H. Manchester. [c-aj 10/25/18-dr]



Myron A. Raesler

**MYRON A. RAESLER** \* Survived by his father, Joseph F. Raesler, Park Ave. and a brother Archie, who was seriously wounded and in the same unit as Myron: Co. M 108<sup>th</sup> Inf. He worked for the circulation department, Auburn Citizen. Previously, he saw duty at the Mexican Border with Co. M. [c-aj]

**ROGER R. RAMSEY** Nephew of Roger Quinn of Grant Ave. He had attended James Street and St. Mary's Schools. [c]

**CHARLES J. RICE** Survived by his wife and father. His brother-in-law with the Army on France. [from the Cato Chief Newspaper] [h]



Mynderse W. Rice

**W. MYNDERSE RICE** \* 31 Survived by his parents M/M John W. Rice, Grover St. and a sister, Mrs. Carleton Woodruff of Auburn. He was a graduate of Williams College and Cornell Law School. He was a member of the City Club, Masonic Lodge, Elks, Owasco CC and the Cayuga Co. Bar. He served on the Mexican Border. An Auburn American Legion Post was named in his honor. Buried in the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery, France. [c-aj 12/12/18]

**BENJAMIN P. RIESTER** \* 25 Survived by his parents John and Lena Riester of Fleming, four brothers: Justus who is in the



Benjamin P. Riester



Merle Roberts



Joseph Rooney

Army, William of Fleming, Albert of Ohio and George of Buffalo; three sisters: Mrs. Ellis Vincent of Louisiana, Miss Grace Riester of Rochester and Sister Rufino of St. Anthony's Convent, Syracuse. [c-aj 12/17/18]

**MERLE ROBERTS** \* 21 Survived by his mother, Mrs. Mary Hall of Saratoga Springs and two sisters who live in Auburn. [c]

**JOSEPH ROONEY** \*25 He had been a molder with the International Harvester Co. in Auburn before moving to Rochester, NY where he entered the service. His brother was Captain Bernard Rooney of the Auburn Fire Department, Hose#5.

**CHARLES F. ROTO** 23 Single. Born in W. Barrington, Conn. Survived by his mother, Maria of Auburn, two sisters: Rose who lives in Italy and Julia of Auburn; four brothers: Nelson who was a sailor on the presidential yacht "Mayflower" and is now on a destroyer in European water, Frank with the Army in France, Albert and John of Auburn. He was employed by the International Harvester Co. of Auburn. He had seen previous service with the National Guard. Official cemetery records show that he is buried in the Suresnes Cemetery, France although a newspaper account states that he was buried at sea. [c-aj 12/6/18-dr]



Walton Rowe

**WALTON D. ROWE** \* 19 Survived by his father, Frank P. Rowe, four sisters: Mrs. Andrew White, Mrs. Frank Weeks, Mrs. Gertrude Rowe and Virginia Blakley and an uncle, Fred J. Rice. The Moravia American Legion Post is named in his honor. [c-aj ]

**TIMOTHY RYAN** [aj 12/9/18 & 12/21/18] Word of death received by relatives.

**SMITH D. SANDERS** \* Son of M/M Frank C. Sanders of Fosterville [aj 11/25/18 & 12/13/18]



Smith D. Sanders

**ANTONIO SANTINO** He is buried in the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery, France. [c-aj 01/13/19]

**JAMES H. SAVAGE** 29 Married. Survived by his wife Mrs. Harriet (Skinner) Savage, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Skinner of Geneva, his parents who live in Rushville and a sister who lives in LeRoy. He was employed by Dean & Dillingham Coal and Feed Co. [c-aj 9/28/18]

**JOHN B. SECAUR** 28 He is survived by a sister, Mrs. Gertrude Green of Auburn. He was employed by Egbert Bisgrove of Owasco. [c]

**MORRIS SIMON** Son of Jacob Simon 6 Mann Street, Auburn, New York.



Antonio Simpianto

**ANTONIO SIMPIANTO** \* 24 Born in Celano, Agula, Italy. Survived by his mother who lives in Italy and a brother Lawrence, of Auburn. He was employed by the International Harvester Co. and was a member of the United Italian Society. Buried in the Somme Cemetery, France. [c-aj 12/13/18-dr]

**JESSE SMITH** He and his family formerly lived in Fair Haven where his father Mr. E.C. Smith published a local newspaper. They moved to Dexter, NY where he entered the service.

**STANISLAW STANEK** 21 Born in Poland. Survived by a sister, Anna Storovic, who lives in Batavia. [c-aj]



David H. Stone

**DAVID H. STONE** \* 22 Survived by his wife, Cora J. [Jerow] Stone, Lansing St., and parents, David and Frieda Stone and sister Helen Stone all of Auburn. He worked for the C.W. Tuttle Steel Co. He had previously served three years in the Navy. [c-aj 9/28/18]

**DENNIS SULLIVAN** Survived by parents, M/M Daniel Sullivan and three sisters: Mrs. E. Donovan, Misses Minnie and Jane and all of Auburn and six brothers: Augustine with the Army in France, John J. and George of Auburn, Rev. Daniel Sullivan and Edward Sullivan of Rochester, P. Joseph of Winnepeg, Canada. He was a soldier 12 years prior to the war. [c, aj7/13/18 & 7/17/18]



Howard D. Thornton



Alfred E. Tipping



James J. Toole

**FRANK SULLIVAN** [aj 12/3/18] Buried in the Somme Cemetery, France.

**HOWARD D. THORNTON** \* 18 Born in Kingston, Canada. Son of Samuel and Laura Catherine Thornton, Genesee St. He joined the Canadian Army. He was a member of St. Peter's Church and sang in the church choir. [c-aj 11/19/17-w]

**GEORGE H. TINCHNELL** 28 Born in Wells Somershire, England. He was employed by W.J. Hellier of Sennett. [dr]

**ALFRED E. TIPPING** \* 28 Born Salt Hill, Slough, England. Survived by his sister, Mrs. Henry E. Bennett of Auburn; two brothers: George, in the British Army, and William in the Canadian Army. He was a member of the sons of St. George and a freight clerk with the Auburn-Ithaca Shoreline Railroad. Buried in the Mont Huon Cemetery, France. [c-aj 9/27/18-w]

**JAMES J. TOOLE** \* 21 Survived by his parents, M/M James T. Toole, Burt Ave., two brothers: Leo and Paul and three sisters: Gertrude, Anna, and Alice. He was employed by the Sager Drug Store and later by the Empire Gas and Electric Co. [c-aj 11/18]



Harry Tripp

**HARRY TRIPP** \* 25 Survived by his parents M/M William Tripp of Weedsport and four brothers: Thomas and Arthur of Weedsport, William in the Army in France, George of South Dakota, two sisters: Mrs. J. Moore and Mrs. Milton Waldron of Sennett. [c-aj 11/16/18]

**JOHN J. TYLER** Son of Minnie Tyler, RFD 6, Auburn. [n]

**KENNETH K. WALKER** \* 20 Survived by his parents, M/M Eben M. Walker. He graduated from Auburn High School, Philips-Andover Academy and was a sophomore at Trinity College, Conn. when he enlisted. [c-aj 11/29/18]



Kenneth K. Walker



Harry M. Wall



Harry W. Ward

**HARRY M. WALL** \* 27 Son of M/M John H. Wall. His brother Raymond lives in Rochester and a sister Genevieve Wall of Auburn. He attended Holy Family School and Auburn High School and Villanova College. He was employed by the old Dusenbury and Coniff and later by Long's Shoe Store. [c-aj 1/4/18 & 3/7/18]

**HARRY W. WARD** \* Survived by his parents, M/M William Ward. Lawton Ave., a sister Mrs. Louise Wilcox and a brother Rev. Lewis Ward an Episcopal pastor in Elmira. He was a member of St. Peter's Church. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. Buried in the Somme Cemetery, France. [c-aj 12/3/18]

**ELMER S. WEAVER** 30 Married. Survived by his wife of eight years. He was employed by the Columbian Rope Company. [c-aj 12/3/18-dr]

**HARRY J. WELSH** 24 Survived by his father John J. Welsh of Auburn, three brothers and five sisters. He worked for the Lehigh Valley Railroad as a brakeman. [c-dr]

**FOSTER WHIPPLE** 24 Born in Colebrook Conn. He worked for the Empire Gas and Electric Co. [dr]



Raymond C. Wright

**RAYMOND C. WRIGHT** \* 21 Survived by his mother, Stella Wright. He had seen previous service with the National Guard at the Mexican border. [c]

**STEPHAN YENDRICK** 30 Survived by his mother, a brother, Jacob, living in Pennsylvania and a sister Mrs. Anna DeKostick of Auburn. [c-aj 10/17/18]

**DONATO ZERILLO** His nearest relative is Donato Galuccio, a brother-in law of Auburn. Buried in the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery, France. [aj 11/7/18]

#### Abbreviation Key

c Auburn Citizen 11-11-19  
aj Auburn Advertiser-Journal w/Date  
dr Draft Registration Records  
h Town Historian  
n National Archives Records  
w Canadian Army Archive Records  
u 1915 Census  
m Am.Battlefields Mon. Comm.  
\* Photo included

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**MEN FROM AUBURN AND CAYUGA COUNTY, NEW YORK  
WHO DIED IN WORLD WAR 1  
1917 – 1918  
BURIED IN FRANCE**

**Ainse-Marne Cemetery      Belleau, France**

Babchak, Michael      7/17/1918      (Tablet of the Missing)  
De St.Croix, Mather      6/6/1918

**Somme Cemetery      Bony, France**

Baranski, Zygmunt      7/7/1918  
Mead, Clyde      9/28/1918  
Morgan, John      9/28/1918  
O'Byrne, Patrick      10/30/1918  
O'Connor, Timothy      10/18/1918  
Ward, William, Jr.      9/29/1918      (Distinguished Service Cross)

**Meuse- Argonne Cemetery      Romagne, France**

Berlin, Otto      10/4/1918  
Clark, Clarence      11/2/1918  
Dessor, Alfred      11/1/1918  
Glass, Carl      9/27/1918  
Rice, Mynderse      10/2/1918  
Simpianto, Antonio      11/1/1918  
Santino, Antonio      10/11/1918  
Zerillo, Donato      9/26/1918

**Oise- Ainse Cemetery      Fère-en-Tardenois , France**

Flynn, James      10/18/1918  
Manley, Edward      7/18/1918  
Lewis, Harry J.      6/20/1918      (Distinguished Service Cross)

**Suresnes Cemetery      5 miles, west of Paris, France**

Churchill, Frank      10/31/1918  
Roto, Charles      10/2/1918      (Tablet of the Missing)  
Sullivan, Frank      11/5/1918

**St.Mihiel Cemetery      Thiaucourt, France**

Howell, John      3/12/1918  
Irish, Eugene      9/16/1918      (Tablet of the Missing)  
Murray, John      11/5/1918

**Total 25 Men**

**THE MEN FROM CAYUGA COUNTY, NEW YORK  
WHO WERE AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS  
FOR VALOR IN THE FACE OF THE ENEMY**

**WORLD WAR 1 1917 – 1919**

During World War 1 the following men from Auburn and Cayuga County, New York received the United States' Distinguished Service Cross, second only to the Medal of Honor for bravery in action against the enemy. { Sources: *Heroes All* edited by Harry Springer, Fasset pub. Co. Washington, D.C. and The National Archives Washington, D.C. }

**Coughlin, William E.      Pfc. Company L 312 Infantry, 78<sup>th</sup> Division, US Army, Aurora, New York**

“For exceptional bravery in action at Grand Pri on October 23, 1918. He volunteered and maintained a liaison with a company which had been cut off from the rest of the Battalion, making several trips across open ground for 150 yards under intense machine gun fire.”

**Dennis, Erwin A.      2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. 108<sup>th</sup> Infantry, 27<sup>th</sup> Division, US Army, 103 Lansing Street, Auburn, New York**

“For exceptional heroism in action at St. Souplet, France on October 17, 1918. He led a small patrol against an enemy machine gun nest which he captured and held for 3 hours against enemy counter attacks until relieved by Vickers machine gun. The aid forced the enemy to surrender. He captured 145 enemy, 3 large maxim guns, 7 light guns, 3 anti-tank weapons.’

**Frank, George T.      Sgt. Company I, 6<sup>th</sup> Regiment, US Marine Corps. 44 State Street, Auburn, New York**

“In battle of Belleau Wood, France on June 6, 1918 he showed exceptional bravery and coolness in leading his platoon against superior numbers of the enemy's strongly fortified machine gun nest which he captured and held.”

**Lewis, Harry J.      Pvt. Machine Gun Company, 38<sup>th</sup> Infantry, 3<sup>rd</sup> Division, US Army, Martville, New York**

{ Award Posthumously } Near Jaulgonne, France on July 23, 1918 “Private Lewis repeatedly volunteered and carried messages across a zone swept by enemy artillery, machine gun and rifle fire. He Fearlessly and efficiently performed his duties until killed.”

**Rea, Leonard L.      2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. 5<sup>th</sup> Regiment, US Marine Corps, Auburn, New York.**

“For exceptional heroism in action near Blanc Mont, France on October 4, 1918. Lieutenant Rea retained command of his platoon after receiving a severe wound which rendered him unable to move without assistance and would not leave until ordered to do so by his commanding officer.”

**Summers, Alfred E. Private, Company H 308<sup>th</sup> Regiment, 77<sup>th</sup> Division, US Army, 19 Pleasant, Auburn, New York**

[Member of the Lost Battalion] “For extraordinary heroism in action in the Argonne Forest, France on October 6, 1918. In the face of direct machine gun fire he left cover and went 100 yards to rescue a wounded soldier dragging him back to his bunk, gave him first aid and again exposing himself to enemy fire obtained water for him. He showed utter disregard in aiding other wounded men in addition to performing his duties as a scout.”

**Ward, William H. Jr. Sgt. Company M 108<sup>th</sup> infantry, 27<sup>th</sup> Division, US Army, 14 Lawton Street Auburn, New York**

[ Awarded Posthumously] “For exceptional heroism in action near Ronssoy, France on September 29, 1918. Although severely wounded Sergeant Ward assumed command of Company M after the commanding officer [Capt. Hodder of Auburn] had been wounded displaying great gallantry and bravery in leading them into action. While endeavoring to locate an enemy machine gun he was killed.”

**Whitney, Leroy Corp. Company M 108<sup>th</sup> Infantry, 27<sup>th</sup> Division, US Army, 10 Easterly Avenue Auburn, New York**

“For exceptional heroism near St. Souplet, France on October 17, 1918. He voluntarily carried messages under heavy shell and machine gun fire and displayed great bravery and gallantry. In one instance he completed the mission of another runner who had been wounded and returned with very important information as to where the barrage would fall.”

**Williamson, William H. Sgt. Company M 108<sup>th</sup> Infantry, 27<sup>th</sup> Division, US Army, 176 Van Anden Street Auburn, New York.**

“For exceptional heroism near Rossoy, France on September 29, 1918. Sergeant Williamson in charge of a combat patrol successfully accomplished his mission under heavy machine gun fire after three-quarters of the patrol were killed or wounded. In the same engagement he successfully reorganized the company after all the officers were killed or wounded and led them into effective combat.”

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