

ROBERT RONALD SHIPLEY

**U. S. Army Private, 28 Company 7 Training Battalion
Died of Spanish Influenza at Camp Meade, Maryland, October 4, 1918**

Compiled by Linda Cunningham Fluharty.

Robert Ronald Shipley was born on April 4, 1897 at Glen Dale, Marshall County, West Virginia. His parents were Samuel P. Shipley and Margaret "Maggie" B. McCormick, married in Marshall County in 1896. They were residents of Moundsville in 1900 and "Ronald," 3, had a sister, Sarah E., age 1.

In 1910, Margaret Shipley was living with her mother, Elizabeth McCormick, on New Jersey Avenue, Wheeling, employed as a nurse for a private family; Robert's whereabouts unknown.

When Robert registered for the World War I Draft, he was living on Eoff Street Wheeling, working at National Tube in Benwood.

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| Serial No. <u>174</u> Registration No. <u>148</u> | | REGISTRAR'S REPORT <u>47-1-32-B</u> | |
| 1 | Name in full <u>Robert R. Shipley</u> <small>(Given name) (Family name)</small> | Age, in yrs. <u>21</u> | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Tall <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medium <input type="checkbox"/> Short <small>(Strike out words not applicable)</small> |
| 2 | Home address <u>2916 Eoff St. Wheeling, W. Va.</u> <small>(No.) (Street) (City or town) (State)</small> | 2 | Color of eyes <u>Brown</u> Color of hair <u>Black</u> |
| 3 | Date of birth <u>April 4th 1897</u> <small>(Month) (Day) (Year)</small> | 3 | Has person lost arm, leg, hand, eye, or is he palpably physically disqualified (specify)? <u>no</u> |
| 4 | Where were you born? <u>Glendale, West Virginia</u> <small>(City or town) (State) (Nation)</small> | I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read his own answers and that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge, are true, except as follows: | |
| 5 | I am 1. A native of the United States. 2. An alien. 3. An alien. 4. A person declared an alien. 5. A person declared an alien. <small>(Strike out lines or words not applicable)</small> | <u>M. J. Cullinan</u> <small>(Signature of Registrar)</small> <u>June 5th 1918</u> <small>(Date of Registration)</small> | |
| 6 | If not a citizen, of what Nation are you a citizen or subject? | Local Board for City of Wheeling, State of West Va. 1425 Chapline St., Wheeling, West Va. <small>(Stamp of Local Board)</small> | |
| 7 | Father's birthplace <u>Moundsville, West Va.</u> <u>U.S.</u> <small>(City or town) (State or province) (Nation)</small> | <small>(The stamp of the local board having jurisdiction of the area in which the registrant has his permanent home should be placed in this box.)</small> | |
| 8 | Name of employer <u>National Tube Co.</u> | | |
| 9 | Place of employment <u>Benwood, W. Va.</u> <small>(No.) (Street) (City or town) (State)</small> | | |
| 10 | Name of nearest relative <u>Mrs. M. B. Shipley, mother</u> | | |
| | Address of nearest relative <u>2916 Eoff St. Wheeling, W. Va.</u> <small>(No.) (Street) (City or town) (State or Nation)</small> | | |
| 10 Race - <u>White</u> ; Negro; Indian; or Chinese. <small>(Strike out words not applicable)</small> | | | |
| I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true. | | | |
| <u>Robert R. Shipley</u> <small>(Signature or Mark of Registrant)</small> | | | |
| <small>If person is of African descent, the color of the skin should be stated.</small> P. M. G. O. Form 1 (blue) REGISTRATION CARD. 2-772 | | | |

Wheeling Intelligencer, 8 Oct 1918
Ronald B. Shipley.
 Spanish influenza has claimed another Wheeling soldier. Word was received here yesterday announcing the death of Ronald B. Shipley, well known South Wheeling boy, who died Friday in Camp Meade, Md., following a brief illness. He was the son of Mrs. Margaret B. Shipley, of 2916 Eoff street. Funeral arrangements will be made upon the arrival of the body here, probably tomorrow.

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| Born | 4/4/97 | | | R |
| Enl | | Dis | | Cl |
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Robert Ronald Shipley is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Wheeling.