

# HARRY EDWARD COOPER

U. S. Army Private, Company "M" 316th Infantry

Killed in Action in France Oct, 1, 1918; buried Grafton National Cemetery

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Harry Edward Cooper was born in Wheeling on June 7, 1892, to James Henry Cooper and Mary Ann Mellor, both born in England. By 1900, the family had left Wheeling and were residing in New Brighton, Beaver County, Pennsylvania. Mr. Cooper was a Porcelain Wares Manufacturer. The family had emigrated in 1887. Mrs. Cooper had given birth to 5 children and 3 were living: William, 15, Harry E., 7, and Clara A., 3. In 1910, still in New Brighton, Mr. Cooper worked in a steel mill. Harry and Clara were at home and Harry, 17, was employed as a "Clerk -Railroad Office."

According to Harry's World War I Draft registration, Harry attended school at Linsly Institute in Wheeling. He was a resident of Philadelphia and was employed as a Stenographer.

Form 1	28	REGISTRATION	2813	No. 1
1	Name in full	Harry Edward Cooper		Age in yrs 25
2	Home address	6216 Larchwood Philadelphia, Pa		
3	Date of birth	June 5th	1892	
4	Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which)?	(1) Natural born citizen		
5	Where were you born?	Wheeling	West Virginia	America
6	If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject?	22		
7	What is your present trade, occupation, or office?	Stenographer		
8	By whom employed?	The T. J. Co. Philadelphia, Pa		
9	Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother under 12, solely dependent on you for support (specify which)?	No		
10	Married or single (which)?	Single	Race (specify which)	Caucasian
11	What military service have you had? Rank	Private	Branch	Military
12	Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)?	No		
I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.				
Harry Edward Cooper				
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1	Tall, medium, or short (specify which)?	Medium	Shoulder, medium, or stout (which)?	Medium
2	Color of eyes?	Brown	Color of hair?	Brown Bald? No
3	Has person lost arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)?	No		
I certify that my answers are true, that the person registered has read his own answers, that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:				
W. Roberts				
Precinct	10/46			
City or County	Phila			
State	Penna			
June 5-17				

COOPER HARRY EDWARD		X	C	69 773
Pvt 316 Inf Co M			K	
305 Beech St Grafton W Va			A	
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## HARRY COOPER KILLED IN BATTLE IN FRANCE

**Former Student of Linsly Institute Sac-  
rifices Life Upon Altar of  
Freedom.**

Friends and relatives of Wheeling received the sad announcement yesterday from Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cooper, of Grafton, former residents of this city, that their son, Harry Cooper, had been killed in action in France, October 1.

Mr. Cooper was well known in this community and had scores of friends here, who will learn of his death with deep regret. He attended Linsly Institute a number of years ago and was an unusually popular boy. He enlisted in the army early last summer and received his training in Camp Meade, Md., from where he departed for France. In letters to the folk back home he told of the many narrow escapes he had encountered on the battlefields but was always optimistic in believing that he would return home safely. He was a model young man and was a gifted musician, being the organist in St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, Grafton, at the time he entered the service. His father was director of the choir. He not only was a good organist but possessed a beautiful voice and often sang solos in the church.

By the time Harry died, his parents had moved to Grafton, Taylor County, West Virginia. Harry was initially buried in France but his remains were returned and he was interred at Grafton National Cemetery.

Interment in the GRAFTON, W.VA. National Cemetery

To—The Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

NAME	RANK	COMPANY	REGIMENT OR VESSEL			DIVISION, IF WORLD WAR SOLDIER
			Number	State	Arm	
COOPER, HARRY E. W.VA. 3110069	PVT.	M	316th		INF.	74th Div. World War

DATE OF DEATH			DATE OF INTERMENT			GRAVE MARK		REMARKS Date of discharge and number of Pension Certificate, Disinterments, etc.
Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year	Section	Grave No.	
Oct.	1	1918				F	1300	Orig. Bur. Cem. 1232, Grave 44, Sec. 2, Plot 1, Argonne Amer. Cem., Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France. C.R. July 1921

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