

# CAL E. CROUCH

U. S. Army Private, Detachment Camp, Medical Department, Camp Greenleaf

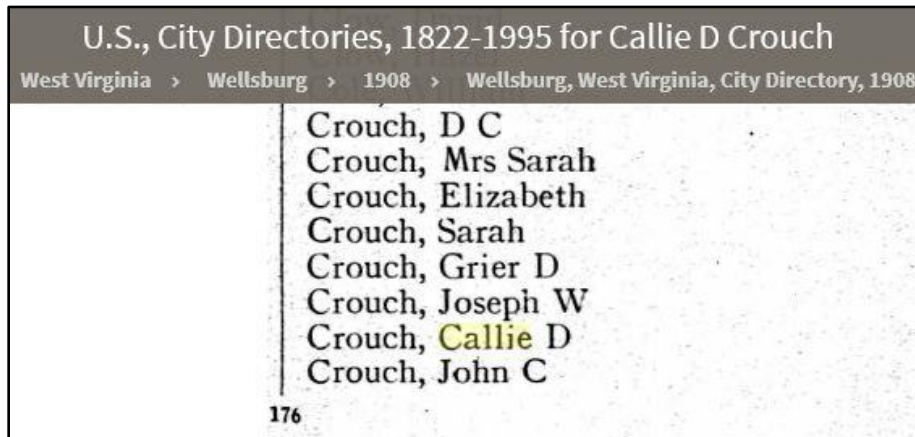
Died of Spanish Influenza on October 11, 1918 at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia

Compiled by Linda Cunningham Fluharty.

Born on November 24, 1892 in Unionvale, Harrison County, Ohio, Cal E. Crouch was the son of David Culbertson Crouch and Sarah Elizabeth Michaels. The birth record indicates that Cal E. was born "Callie Crouch" on November 24, 1892.

At the time of the 1900 census of Green, Harrison County, Ohio, David Crouch, a farmer, and Sarah were the parents of Lizzie J., 16, Dennis G., 14, Joseph H., 12, Sadie C., 11, David C., 7, Callie, 7, and John C., 4.

The Crouch family is found in the 1908 City Directory of Wellsburg, Brooke County, West Virginia.



In 1910, the Crouch family resided in Buffalo, Brooke County, West Virginia. Mr. Crouch was a farmer and their children at home were Grier, 23, Cullie, 20, Callie, 17 (mistakenly stated as a daughter), and John C., 13.

Form 1 1062 REGISTRATION CARD 22/7 No. 10

1 Name in full: Cal Crouch Age in yrs: 24

2 Home address: R.R. #1 Marshall Okla

3 Date of birth: Nov 24 1893

4 Are you (1) a natural born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention to become a citizen? Declared - born

5 Where were you born: Unionvale Ohio USA

6 If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject?

7 What is your present trade, occupation, or office? Farming

8 Do you have any other occupation? Self on farm

9 Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother under 12, wholly dependent on you for support (specify which)? See.

10 Married or single (specify which)? Single Race (specify which): Caucasian

11 What military service have you had? Rank: See Branch: \_\_\_\_\_ years: \_\_\_\_\_ Nation or State: \_\_\_\_\_

12 Do you claim exemption (from draft) (specify grounds)? Physical exemption

I affirm that I have registered above answers and that they are true.

Cal Crouch

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1 Tall, medium, or short (specify which)? Short Slender, medium, or stout (which)? Stout

2 Color of eyes: Blue Color of hair: Dark Brown Gold? See

3 Has vision cut out, fog, blind, lost, or both eyes, or is it otherwise distorted (specify)? See.

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:

H. A. Family  
(Signature of registrar)

Precinct: Rural Dist.  
City or County: Garfield June 5 1917  
State: Okla (Date of registration)

When Cal E. Crouch registered for the World War I Draft (above), he was living and farming in Marshall City, Oklahoma. He misstated his birth year as 1893.

At the time of his death, Cal was stationed at Camp Oglethorpe, Catoosa County, Georgia, near the Georgia-Tennessee state line. His death record specifically states that he died in the hospital at Camp Oglethorpe but his residence was at Camp Greenleaf, which was one of the three composite camps at Camp Oglethorpe. From Wikipedia:

*"Camp Greenleaf, a satellite campus with about 10,000 medical, dental, and veterinary officers and 70,000 enlisted medics, nurses, technicians, and assistants, was comprehensive in its training. Named after Charles R. Greenleaf, the chief army surgeon during the Spanish-American War, this training camp peaked with sixty-three base hospitals, thirty-seven evacuation hospitals, five field hospitals, thirteen hospital trains, five ambulance units, twenty-one evacuation ambulance units, and nine convalescent camp companies."*

**Wheeling Intelligencer, 14 Oct 1918**

**Cal E. Crouch, Soldier.**

Cal E. Crouch, aged 25 years, well known young man of Wellsburg and this city, died at Camp Oglethorpe, Ga., Friday evening, following an attack of Spanish influenza and pneumonia. His mother, Mrs. Sarah E. Crouch, and a brother, C. D. Crouch, of Warwood, were at his bedside when the end came, having been advised of his critical illness. They will accompany the body to Warwood. It is expected to arrive today. Funeral services will be held in the home of his brother, C. D. Crouch, Twenty-second street, Warwood. Arrangements will be made later.

Mr. Crouch was born and reared between Warwood and Wellsburg and was employed in this city for some time. For the past two years he had lived in Marshall City, Oklahoma, and entrained there for camp. He was a young man of good habits and sterling qualities. He was a student at Bethany and West Liberty Normal school before going West. He was a member of the First Christian church of this city and always took an active part in church work.

He leaves besides his mother, two sisters: Miss Sarah Jones, of Bethany and Mrs. Elizabeth Bowers, of Warwood; also the following brothers: J. W., of Denver, G. G. of near Wellsburg; J. C., of Short Creek and C. D. Crouch, of Warwood.

# DIED

**CROUCH**—On Friday, October 11, 1918,  
at 5 o'clock p. m. at Fort Oglethorpe,  
Ga., PRIVATE CAL E. CROUCH, in  
his 26th year.

Funeral services at the residence of  
his brother, C. D. Crouch, near  
Glenn's Run, on Wednesday afternoon  
at 2 o'clock. Friends invited to at-  
tend. Interment private, Mt. Zion  
cemetery.

Buried at Mt. Zion Cemetery, Wheeling, Ohio County, West Virginia.

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH				DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
1 PLACE OF DEATH		State <u>Georgia</u>		Registered No. <u>261</u>
County <u>Walker</u>		or Village <u>Dodge</u>		
Township <u>Dodge</u>		City <u>Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.</u>		
No. <u>10</u>		St. <u>General Hospital #14</u>		
2 FULL NAME <u>Cal Crouch, Pvt., Det. Camp, Co. #16, M.D.</u>				
(a) Residence, No. <u>Camp Greenleaf Ga.</u>		St. <u></u> Ward <u></u>		
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.				
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS			MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3 SEX <u>male</u>	4 COLOR OR RACE <u>white</u>	5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED <u>single</u>	16 DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <u>October 11th 1918</u>	
5a If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of <u>XXX</u>			17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>August 10th, 1918</u> , to <u>October 11th, 1918</u>	
6 DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) <u>1897</u>			that I last saw him alive on <u>October 11th, 1918</u>	
7 AGE, Years Months Days	<u>26</u>	IF LESS than 1 day, hrs. of min.	and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at <u>5 P.</u> m.	
8 OCCUPATION (PROV. OCCUPATION) <u>Soldier</u>			The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>Broncho pneumonia, both lungs all lobes.</u>	
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work <u>Soldier</u>			(duration) yrs. mos. ds.	
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) <u>U.S. Army</u>			CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) (duration) yrs. mos. ds.	
(c) Name of employer			18 Where was disease contracted	
9 BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) <u>Ohio</u>			If not at place of death? <u>Camp Greenleaf, Ga.</u>	
10 NAME OF FATHER <u>Unknown</u>			Did an operation precede death? <u>No.</u> Date of <u>XXX</u>	
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (city or town) (State or country) <u>Unknown</u>			Was there an autopsy? <u>No.</u>	
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Unknown</u>			What test confirmed diagnosis? <u>Respiration.</u>	
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (city or town) (State or country) <u>Unknown</u>			(Signed) <u>James D. Williams</u> Captain MC USA M. D.	
14 Informant <u>Hospital Records</u>			19 PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL <u>Wheeling W Va 10/18/18</u>	
15 Filed <u>Oct. 16</u> 19 <u>18</u> <u>M. B. Williams, M. D.</u> REGISTRAR			20 UNDERTAKER <u>H. C. Chapman Co</u>	



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Cal Crouch "Will."

I, Cal Crouch, of Wheeling, West Virginia, declare this to be my last will, hereby revoking all wills and testamentary papers at any time heretofore made by me.

I devise and bequeath all the estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever, both real and personal, to which I may be entitled, or which I may have power to dispose of at my decease, unto my brother, John C. Crouch, absolutely: and I appoint him sole executor of this my will, and direct that he be exempt from giving any surety or suratties on his official bond as such executor.

Witness the following signature and seal this 14 day of February, 1917.

Cal Crouch (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by said testator, Cal, Crouch, as and for his last will and testament, in the presence of us, who, at his request, in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses this 14th day of February, 1917.

Chas. J. Smith

Alex R. Campbell