

# CHARLES FREDERICK HEMPHILL

U. S. Army Private, Company "D" 8<sup>th</sup> Machine Gun Battalion

Died of Pneumonia in France on October 3, 1918

Compiled by Linda Cunningham Fluharty.

Born in South Charleston, Ohio on October 13, 1895, Charles Frederick Hemphill was the son of Frederick Hemphill, born in Kansas, and Anna Margaret McCort, born in Belmont County, Ohio, and married in Finney County, Kansas in 1892.

The whereabouts of Frederick Hemphill is unknown at the time of the 1900 census, but "Annie" was living in Boston Precinct, Belmont County, Ohio, with her widowed father, James McCort, and her brother, Eugene. Annie's two children were Charley, 4, and Joseph, 2. – They are not found in the 1910 census.

Charles Frederick Hemphill was living at 308 West Street, Wheeling, when he registered for the World War I Draft.

Form 1 <b>107</b> REGISTRATION CARD		No. <b>19</b>
1	Name in full <i>Charles Frederick Hemphill</i>	Age, in yrs. <i>21</i>
2	Home address <i>308 West Wheeling W. Va.</i>	
3	Date of birth <i>October 13 - 1895</i>	
4	Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which)? <i>Natural Born</i>	
5	Where were you born? <i>South Charleston, Ohio</i>	
6	If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject?	
7	What is your present trade, occupation, or office? <i>Laborer 30</i>	
8	By whom employed? <i>Not Employed now</i>	
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)? <i>No</i>	
10	Married or single (which)? <i>Single</i> Race (specify which)? <i>Caucasian</i>	
11	What military service have you had? Rank <i>None</i> ; branch <i>None</i> ; years <i>None</i> ; Nation or State <i>None</i>	
12	Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)?	
I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.		
<i>CA 34 88</i> <i>Charles F. Hemphill</i> (Signature or mark)		

47-1-32-A REGISTRAR'S REPORT	
1	Tall, medium, or short (specify which)? <i>Tall</i> Slender, medium, or stout (which)? <i>Stout</i>
2	Color of eyes? <i>Grey</i> Color of hair: <i>Brown</i> Bald? <i>No</i>
3	Has person lost arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)? <i>No</i>
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:	
Precinct <i>#2 Wash</i>	
City or County <i>Wheeling</i>	
State <i>W. Va.</i>	
<i>August Shuck</i> (Signature of registrar)	
<i>5<sup>th</sup> June 1917</i> (Date of registration)	

When Charles departed for Europe with the U. S. Army in June 1918, his emergency contact was his mother, Anna Hemphill, 308 West Street, Wheeling. By the time Charles died, the parents were living on North Wabash Street, Wheeling Island. At the time of his burial in 1921, the family lived on Main Street.

Daily Intelligencer, 24 Oct 1918

**Private Charles F. Hemphill**

A message was received yesterday from the war department announcing the death of Private Charles Frederick Hemphill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Hemphill, of 516 North Wabash street, in France. Death was due to pneumonia.

Private Hemphill entrained here for camp early last spring and had been overseas since June. He was attached to a machine gun company. Besides his parents he is survived by several other relatives in this community.

HEMPHILL CHARLES FREDERICK Kc 67 500

Pvt Co D 8 MG Bn

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49 E 1 St Wheeling W Va

A 2 984 183

Ssn 1 563 179 Died 10/3/18

T 510 251 F

Born 10/13/97

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Enl 10/6/17 Dis

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Daily Intelligencer, 19 May 1921

## PVT. HEMPHILL'S FUNERAL TODAY

American Legion in Charge of Funeral  
—Mass at Sacred Heart

The body of Private Charles Hemphill who died in France during the late war arrived in Wheeling at 1:10 o'clock this morning and was taken at once to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Hemphill, at 332 Main street, from where funeral services will be held this morning at 8:30 o'clock, followed by requiem high mass at Sacred Heart church at 9 o'clock with Rev. J. H. Cochran officiating. Interment will occur in Mount Calvary.

The American Legion will be in charge of the funeral and the following comrades will act as pallbearers: Frank Falland, Rudolph Peckle, Earl Burris, Pat Elwood, John Peckstein and Russell Dunn. Private Hemphill, who was born and reared in Wheeling, died in a hospital overseas. He was a member of Co. C, 148 Machine Gun Battalion. At the grave the usual volley will be fired and a bugler will sound taps.

Daily Intelligencer, 18 May 1921

**PVT. CHAS. HEMPHILL**

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Hemphill of 332 Main street, have received a telegram from Hoboken, N. J., stating that the body of their son, Private Charles F. Hemphill of Company C, 148th Machine Gun Battalion, had been shipped to Wheeling and would arrive over the Baltimore and Ohio road at 10:30 o'clock today. Young Hemphill, who was born and reared in Wheeling, died in the service of his country in France during the World War. He was well known and popular in various circles throughout the city.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are one brother, Joseph, and two sisters, Genevia and Dorothy.

Funeral services will be held from the late home Thursday morning at 8:30 o'clock, with solemn requiem mass celebrated at the Sacred Heart church, by Rev. Father Corcoran at 9 o'clock. Interment will be made in the family burial lot at Mount Calvary. The services will be in charge of the American Legion and the usual military ritual will be observed.

The following comrades will act as pall bearers: Frank Palland, Rudolph Pockle, Earl Burris, Pat Elwood, John Peckstein and Russell Dunn.



Hemphill Family - 1st row: Dorothy, Genevieve, Frederick - 2nd row: Joseph, Charles, Anna  
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Frederick Hemphill died of Lobar Pneumonia on May 26, 1921, a week after his son was buried. Mrs. Hemphill died in 1945. Both are buried at Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Wheeling, where Charles is also buried.