

FRIEND JOSEPH NOLTE

Private - Company "F" 61st Infantry Regiment, 5th Division

Died of Wounds October 14, 1918; buried Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, France

Compiled by Linda Cunningham Fluharty.

Born on February 20, 1893 in Wheeling, Friend Joseph Nolte was the son of Charles Nolte and Flora Altmeyer, married in Wheeling on September 20, 1892.

At the time of the 1900 census, Charles Nolte, a Barber, born in March 1872 in West Virginia, and his wife, Flora, born in March 1873, were living on Sylvania Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Their children were Friend, born in February 1893, Jenevieve [Genevieve], born August 1893 [1894], and Stanley, born July 1898. Friend and his sister were born in West Virginia and Stanley was born in Pennsylvania, according to the census.

In 1910, the mother, Flora E. Nolte, a widow, was living on Wood Street, Wheeling. Her daughter, Genevieve, 15, was living with her. Son, Stanley Nolte, was at the Manual Training School for Boys on Kruger Street, in Triadelphia, Ohio County. Friend Nolte not found in 1910. [Flora was not a widow.]

When Friend Joseph Nolte was leaving from Newport News, Virginia to go overseas, his emergency contact was Mrs. Louis [Louisa] Schmaltsig, aunt, 4703 Eoff Street, Wheeling. Louisa Mary Altmeyer Schmalstieg was the younger sister of Flora Altmeyer Nolte. She died in 1941 and is buried at Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

Form 4523 REGISTRATION CARD No. 164		47-1-32-A REGISTRAR'S REPORT	
1	Name in full <i>Friend Joseph Nolte</i> <small>(Given name) (Family name)</small>	Age, in yrs. <i>24</i>	1 Tall, medium, or short (specify which)? <i>Medium</i> Slender, medium, or stout (which)? <i>Slender</i>
2	Home address <i>4703 Eoff St Wheeling West Virginia</i> <small>(No.) (Street) (City) (State)</small>		2 Color of eyes? <i>light brown</i> Color of hair? <i>brown</i> Bald? <i>No</i>
3	Date of birth <i>February 20 1893</i> <small>(Month) (Day) (Year)</small>		3 Has person last arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)? <i>No</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>		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:
5	Where were you born? <i>Wheeling West Virginia U.S.C.</i> <small>(Town) (State) (Nation)</small>		<i>James J. Igo</i> City Clerk, Chicago, Ill.
6	If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject?		
7	What is your present trade, occupation, or office? <i>Waiter 29</i>		
8	By whom employed? <i>C. Weeghman - 73 Jackson Chicago</i>		Where employed? <i>Chicago</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>Mother</i>		Ward # <i>8</i> By <i>Robert E. Marks</i> <i>John F. Bruce</i>
10	Married or single (which)? <i>single</i> Race (specify which)? <i>Caucasian</i>		City or County <i>Ohio</i> <i>West Va</i>
11	What military service have you had? Rank _____; branch _____; years _____; Nation or State _____		State <i>West Va</i> <i>June 5-1917</i> <small>(Date of registration)</small>
12	Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)? <i>Sole support of mother</i>		
I certify that I have verified above answers and that they are true.			
2740			
2739 <i>J.P. Nolte</i> <small>(Signature of registrant)</small>			

Washington Post, 9 Jan 1919
MEET DEATH IN FRANCE.

Special to The Washington Post.

Cumberland, Md., Jan. 8.—Oscar Patterson, a son of Sanson Patterson, who was previously reported as missing in action, was killed in action in France, October 11, according to an official announcement received here.

Benwood, W. Va., Jan. 8.—Mrs. Flora Altmeyer Nolte was officially advised today that her son, Friend, who was severely wounded fighting in France, died October 17. He was 24 years old. His brother, Stanley Nolte, also has been severely wounded.

Wheeling Intelligencer, 13 Jan 1919

LOCAL LADS IN CASUALTY LIST

**Wheeling Boy Died of Wounds—Bel-
laire and Benwood Soldiers Were
Killed in Furious Fighting.**

Although the guns have ceased to boom and the rattle of machine guns is no longer heard in the devastated fields and towns "over there," every day brings a casualty list to this country, and anxious parents who have not heard from their boys for some time eagerly scan them. In the list published this morning the sad news of the death of three local boys is announced by the official communication of the War Department. Two of the lads were killed while fighting in action, and one was wounded and one killed as the result of the result of wounds received in action.

Friend J. Nolte of 1707 Eoff street died of wounds at a base hospital. Sergeant Lewis V. Carpenter, son of John M. Carpenter of 1416 High street, Benwood, is at a base hospital suffering from wounds which may prove fatal. Private William Thomas Blake, son of Mrs. Catherine Blake, also of Benwood was killed in action, as was Private Clarence E. Day of 4200 Noble street, Bellaire. Three new gold stars will replace three blue emblems in this district today.

New-York daily tribune | Monday, Jan 13, 1919

WEST VIRGINIA:
 BLAKE, William T., Benwood (K).
 MORGAN, Floyd H., Martinsburg (D W).
NOLTE, Friend J., Wheeling (D W).

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U. S. VETERANS BUREAU MAIL AND RECORDS Form 7302 - Rev. Sept., 1926		
INDEX CARD		

Based on the articles, Friend's death in October 1918 was confirmed in January 1919.

The DEATH DATE in the *United States, Veterans Administration Master Index, 1917-1940*, above, conflicts with the death date on his GRAVE MARKER in France. The date on this card was apparently an error and is most likely when his death was confirmed to his family.

Also, on that card is "Phila. Pa." The location is often that of next of kin. The card is actually correct. His **FATHER**, Charles A. Nolte, 47, was living in **Philadelphia** in the 1920 census with his wife Lulu Mae. In 1930 & 1940, he and Lulu lived in Camden, New Jersey where he owned a Barber Shop.

CHARLES NOLTE Death Record: Died in Lancaster, Pennsylvania on December 24, 1965; born on March 17, 1873 [1900 census stated 1872] in West Virginia; the son of Charles Nolte and Frederica Meyer. He was a barber, and he was a widower. His spouse had been "Lulu." He is buried at Bethel Cemetery, Pennsauken, New Jersey. – His wife, Lulu, died in 1944.

FLORA NOLTE was living in Rochester, New York in 1920, where she was employed as a Hotel Maid. Daughter, Genevieve M. Nolte, worked in a Shoe Factory. By 1930, Genevieve was married to Arthur Stanley Gilbert and Flora lived with them in Syracuse, New York. Although her name is not found among the Gold Star Mothers who made a Pilgrimage to France to visit their sons' graves, she did go to France in 1930. "Flora Altmeyer Nolte," 57, went to France and returned home from Cherbourg, France in July 1930. Her birthdate was March 7, 1873, and her address was Syracuse, New York.

Flora died on April 17, 1935 in Syracuse, New York, per New York Death Index.

STANLEY A. NOLTE, brother of the soldier, lived in Syracuse, New York. A news article in the *Wheeling Intelligencer*, dated June 15, 1939, states that he had died. It even says that his mother, Flora Altmeyer

Nolte, died four years earlier. However, he didn't really die until October 14, 1982. He was quite a successful business man in Syracuse. – And he was actually born in Pittsburgh.

[He was not dead in 1939.]

Wheeling Intelligencer, 15 June 1939

S. A. NOLTE, FORMER RESIDENT, STRICKEN

Word has been received by local relatives of the death of Stanley A. Nolte veteran of the World war and former resident of Wheeling who succumbed Monday at his home in Syracuse, N. Y.

A resident of Wheeling the greater part of his life, Mr. Nolte was at one time a popular baseball player here. He was a member of the old Victory team of Benwood. He saw service with the Canadian army during the World war.

Surviving are his wife, Lucy Nolte a stepson, one sister, Mrs. A. S. Gilbert of Syracuse, N. Y., an uncle, Edward Altmeyer of Wheeling and three aunts, Mrs. Joseph Ennis Mrs. Lottie Nolte and Mrs. Charles Schmalstieg, all of this city. His mother, Flora Altmeyer Nolte, died four years ago.

Syracuse Herald-Journal, Sat., Oct. 16, 1982

Stanley Nolte

Stanley A. Nolte, 84, of 7321 Thompson Road, North Syracuse, died Thursday at his home after a long illness. He founded S.A. Nolte and Son Inc., an L.P. gas business, in 1939 and retired in 1962.

Mr. Nolte was born in West Virginia and lived in the Syracuse area most of his life. He was a communicant of St. Rose of Lima Roman Catholic Church of North Syracuse and member of Bishop Curley Council 3717, Knights of Columbus.

Surviving are his wife, Lucy Glasier Nolte; a son, Richard F. of North Syracuse; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services will be Monday at 9 a.m. at Sears-Middleton Funeral Home, North Syracuse, and 9:30 at St. Rose of Lima Church. Burial will be in North Syracuse Cemetery.

Calling hours are 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. tomorrow. Contributions may be made to NAVAC-Ambulance.

GENEVIEVE NOLTE GILBERT, the soldier's sister, born August 18, 1894, died in June 1985.