

# HENRY MICHEL ROBRECHT, JR.

Private, Company 2 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Training Regiment

Died at Camp Humphreys, Virginia, of Spanish Influenza October 6, 1918

Compiled by Linda Cunningham Fluharty.

Born in Wheeling on January 5, 1895, Henry Michael Robrecht, Jr. was the son of Henry Robrecht, born in West Virginia, and Mary Ellen "Helen" Tighe, born in England.

In the 1900 census of Wheeling, Henry and Helen Robrecht lived on Market Street. Mr. Robrecht was a Saloon Keeper. Their children were Henry, born in June 1888 (obviously an error), Webster, Hazel C., and Dorothy.

At the time of the 1910 census, the family lived on Chapline Hill Road, Wheeling. Mr. Robrecht was employed as a Building Contractor. Their children were Henry, Hazel K., Dorothy, and Daniel W. [Webster]

At the time he registered for the World War I Draft, Henry M., Jr. was a student at Chicago Technical College. His parents lived at 23 20<sup>th</sup> Street; they were still there in January 1920 when the census was enumerated.

Form 1 2486 REGISTRATION CARD		No. 85- Age in yrs. 22	
1	Name in full <i>Henry Michel Robrecht Jr.</i>		
2	Home address <i>23 - 20<sup>th</sup> St. Wheeling W. Va</i>		
3	Date of birth <i>January 5 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 citizen</i>		
5	Where were you born? <i>Wheeling W. Va U.S.A.</i>		
6	Are you a citizen, a wife, a minor, or a subject?		
7	What is your present trade, occupation, or office? <i>Student Chicago Technical College</i>		
8	Are you employed? <i>no</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	Marrind or single (which)? <i>Single</i> Race (specify which)? <i>Caucasian</i>		
11	What military service have you had? Rank <i>None</i> : branch		
12	Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)? <i>no</i>		
I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.			
1749 <i>Henry Michel Robrecht Jr.</i>		1750	

  

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1	Tall, medium, or short (specify which)? <i>medium</i>	Slender, medium, or stout (which)? <i>medium</i>	
2	Color of eyes? <i>Light brown</i>	Color of hair? <i>Black</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:			
		<i>James J. Igo</i>	
		City, <i>Clark</i> , Chicago, Ill.	
Precinct <i>1</i>		By <i>A. S. Studstad</i> Deputy.	
City or County <i>Ohio</i>			
State <i>W. Va</i>		<i>June 5</i> (Date of registration)	

ROBRECHT HENRY MICHEL JR	X	C	65 783
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23 Twentieth St Wheeling W VaA			
Ssn 2 615 920	Died 10/6/18	T	3 888 588
Born 1/5/95		R	
Enl	Dis	Cl	
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<p>[This is Henry, not Carl.] <i>Wheeling Intelligencer</i>, 8 Oct 1918</p> <p><b>Carl Robrecht.</b></p> <p>Word was received yesterday that Carl Robrecht of South Wheeling had succumbed to an attack of Spanish influenza at Camp Humphreys, Va., Sunday. His illness became known the latter part of last week, and his brother, Daniel, hurried to his bedside and arrived before death had claimed his brother by a few hours.</p> <p>Carl Robrecht left for Camp Humphreys about six months ago and was getting ready to be sent to France when taken ill. He was formerly a football and basket ball star on the Wheeling high school teams and was very popular in athletic circles.</p> <p>His body will be shipped home later, but as yet no funeral arrangements have been made.</p>	<p><i>Wheeling Intelligencer</i>, 14 Oct 1918</p> <p><b>Funeral for Private Robrecht.</b></p> <p>Funeral services will be held in the family home, 23 Twentieth street, this morning at 9.30 o'clock for Henry M. Robrecht, who died of pneumonia, in Camp Humphrey, Va., Sunday, October 6. Interment will be in Greenwood.</p> <p>Mr. Robrecht was the son of Henry and Helen Robrecht. The body arrived in Wheeling Friday night, accompanied by Lieut. John F. Preston, of the camp.</p> <p><i>Wheeling Intelligencer</i>, 15 Oct 1918</p> <p><b>Funeral Services for Private Robrecht.</b></p> <p>Funeral services for Private Henry M. Robrecht, who died in Camp Humphrey of Spanish influenza, were held yesterday morning in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Robrecht, Sr., Twentieth street. Interment was in Greenwood. The services were strictly private.</p>
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Although the death record for Henry M. Robrecht, Jr. in the West Virginia death records states he was buried at Mt. Calvary, the news articles about his burial states he is buried at Greenwood Cemetery. His mother died on May 18, 1920 and she's buried at Greenwood.