

MICHELE ROSA

U. S. Army Private, 4th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Division

Killed in Action October 10, 1918; buried at Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, France

Compiled by Linda Cunningham Fluharty.

Michele Rosa was born on August 22, 1893 in Rionero, Vulture Province, Potenza, Basilicata, Italy. His father was Raffaele, according to the Ellis Island Passenger Arrival List for June 24, 1912. Michele's destination was Wheeling, West Virginia.

Raffaele Rosa, his father, at that same location, was the emergency contact for Michele Rosa when he departed the United States to go to war in France.

Form 1 REGISTRATION CARD		No. 70
1	Name in full <i>Michele Rosa</i>	Age in yrs. <i>23</i>
2	Home address <i>1332 Baltimore Wheeling W Va</i>	
3	Date of birth <i>August 22 1893</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>Has Declared</i>	
5	Where were you born? <i>Rionero Potenza Italy</i>	
6	If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject? <i>Has 1st Papers</i>	
7	What is your present trade, occupation, or office? <i>Craneman</i>	
8	By whom employed? <i>Whitaker Glassman</i>	
9	Where employed? <i>Breck Mill</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>none</i>	
10	Married or single (which)? <i>Single</i>	Race (specify which)? <i>White</i>
11	What military service have you had? Rank <i>no</i>	branch <i>—</i>
12	Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)? <i>—</i>	
I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.		
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2966		<i>Mike Rosa</i> (Signature or mark)

REGISTRAR'S REPORT	
1	Tall, medium, or short (specify which)? <i>Short</i> Slender, medium, or stout (which)? <i>Stout</i>
2	Color of eyes? <i>Gray</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>none</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>William J. Henke</i> (Signature of registrar)	
Precinct	<i>8 Clay</i>
City or County	<i>Ohio</i>
State	<i>West Virginia</i>
	<i>June 5-1917</i> (Date of registration)

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On December 12, 1916, Michele Rosa had filed a "Declaration of Intent," the first step to becoming a Naturalized American Citizen.

Department of Commerce and Labor
NATURALIZATION SERVICE

No. 695 ORIGINAL

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION
(Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof)

Northern District of WEST VIRGINIA, } In the U. S. District Court
WHEELING, W. VA. } ss: N. D. of WEST VIRGINIA.

I, Michele Rosa, aged 23 years,
occupation mill worker, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color white, complexion medium, height 5 feet 3 inches,
weight 134 pounds, color of hair brown, color of eyes gray,
other visible distinctive marks Scar above right eye.
I was born in Pionero in Culture, Portenza, Italy.
on the 22nd day of August, anno Domini 1893; I now reside
at 1332 - Baltimore Street, Wheeling, W. Va.
(Give number, street, city or town, and State.)
I emigrated to the United States of America from Naples, Italy.
on the vessel "Canada"; my last
(If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of conveyance or name of transportation company should be given.)
foreign residence was Pionero in Culture, Italy.
I am not married.
It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Victor Emmanuel III,
King of Italy., of whom I am now a subject;
I arrived at the port of New York, in the
State of New York, on or about the 25th day
of June, anno Domini 1912; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Michele Rosa
(Original signature of declarant.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th
day of December, anno Domini 1916.

[SEAL.] S. R. Harrison
Clerk of the U. S. District Court.
By Geo. E. Boyd, Jr., Deputy Clerk.

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