

GEORGE LEWIS YOCKEY

Private 16th Infantry, 1st Division

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

Researched & Presented by Linda Cunningham Fluharty.

George Lewis Yockey was born on August 31, 1889 at Wheeling, Ohio County, West Virginia. In the West Virginia Birth Records, his parents are listed as Carl and Maggie. Carl Yockey and Margaret "Maggie" Brost were married in Wheeling on October 7, 1884.

The surname is also found as YOCKE. Carl is also found as CHARLES.

Margaret (Brost) Yocke died October 30, 1897. She died of Puerperal Phlebitis, a complication of childbirth. She is buried at Mt. Wood Cemetery, Wheeling. Her address was 518 Market Street, per the Mt. Wood Cemetery book, compiled by Audra Wayne. An infant son, Eddie, died April 5, 1898, and he is buried in the same plot at Mt. Wood; address 519 Market Street. In her death record, Margaret's parents are stated as Michael and Margaret Brost.

In the 1900 census of Washington District, Wheeling, Charles Yaky, a widower, 38, born in Germany in June 1861, was residing at 519 Market Street. Living with him were his two sons, Charles, 14, born January 1886, and George, 10, born August 1889.

A known brother of George was Charles Michael Yockey, born January 29, 1886. In 1910, he was living with Josephine Brost in 1910 on Coal Street, Wheeling. He married Katherine Hanke in 1917. When he registered for the draft, he stated his birthdate as January 29, 1886, confirmed by his death certificate in 1941. His tombstone at Greenwood Cemetery has an incorrect birth year.

George's father, Charles Yockey, probably the Americanized version of Carl, born in Germany, was a widower in the 1910 census of Wheeling, and a resident of Coal Street. George was 21 in 1910 and was a boarder with Louis Hoffman, an Ice Merchant. George was employed as a laborer in a Pottery business.

The father, Carl Yocke, died on July 21, 1916. He is buried at Mt. Wood Cemetery, Wheeling, in the same plot as Margaret and Eddie.

When George registered for the World War I Draft, he was residing in Saint Clairsville, Ohio, and was employed by Wheeling Electric. Charles Yockey, father, 444 Coal Street, Wheeling, was the emergency contact when George shipped out on June 18, 1918 from New York. His father was deceased, so the this was his brother, not his father.

Form 1 2136 REGISTRATION CARD No. 21

1 Name in full *George Lewis Yockey* Age, in yrs *27*
(Given name) (Family name)

2 Home address *No Permanent address*
(No.) (Street) (City) (State)

3 Date of birth *Aug 31 1889*
(Month) (Day) (Year)

4 Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which)? *natural born*

5 Where were you born? *Wheeling W. Va. U.S.A.*
(Town) (State) (Nation)

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

7 What is your present trade, occupation, or office? *Lineman's helper*

8 By whom employed? *Wheeling Electric Co.*
 Where employed? *Surrounding towns*

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)? *no.*

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

11 What military service have you had? Rank *none* branch _____
 years _____; Nation or State _____

12 Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)? *None*

942 I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.
George Lewis Yockey
(Signature or mark)

If percent of African descent, enter

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

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

2 Color of eyes? *Grey* Color of hair? *Light Brown* Bald? *no*

3 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)? *no*

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:

Lawrence Furren
(Signature of registrar)

Precinct *North St. Clairville*
 City or County *Ohio* State *Ohio* *6/5/17*
(Date of registration)

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