

Tips For Researching Ancestors Who Served with US Forces in WW1

References & Resources

- United States WWI Centennial Commission: <https://www.worldwar1centennial.org/index.php>
- WWI Genealogical Research Resources: <https://www.worldwar1centennial.org/index.php/world-war-one-genealogical-research-resources.html>
- Finding Your WW1 Ancestors – 2020 Webinar Series – **FREE WEBINAR**
<https://www.worldwar1centennial.org/>
- WWI Genealogy Research Guide – **FREE DOWNLOAD:**
<https://www.worldwar1centennial.org/index.php/commemorate/family-ties/wwi-genealogy-research-guide/form/51-genealogy-guide-request-2.html>
- World War I Research Checklist – **FREE DOWNLOAD:** <https://www.debradudek.com/>
- WWI abbreviations and definitions:**
https://dmna.ny.gov/historic/reghist/wwi/WWI_Serviceman_Glossary.pdf
- Family Search Wiki-WW1 United States Military Records, 1917-1918:
https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/World_War_I_United_States_Military_Records,_1917_to_1918
- World War 1 American Expeditionary Forces Table of Organization, 1917-1919
https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/World_War_I_American_Expeditionary_Forces_Table_of_Organization,_1917-1919
- On Line WWI Indexes and Records – USA – A Genealogy Guide.
<http://www.militaryindexes.com/worldwarone/>
- Soldiers of the Great War**, by Doyle, A. C. (Alfred Cyril), 1893-; Haulsee, W. M. (William Mitchell), 1889-; Howe, F. G. (Frank George), 1890-; Soldiers Record Publishing Company, Copyright 1920– Book-Three Volumes: <https://archive.org/details/SoldiersOfTheGreatWarV1>

General

- American Battle Monuments Commission website: <https://www.abmc.gov/>
- Book – American Armies and Battlefields in Europe -
https://www.abmc.gov/sites/default/files/publications/AABEFINAL_Blue_Book.pdf
- Cindi's List - WW1, The Great War: <https://www.cyndislist.com/ww1/>
- Evolution of the Divisions, WWI:
https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/The_Evolution_of_Divisions_and_Separate_Brigades/The_Test:_World_War_I

Museums

- National WWI Museum & Memorial, 2 Memorial Drive, Kansas City, MO, <https://www.theworldwar.org/>

-Pritzker Military Museum – <http://www.pritzkermilitary.org/explore/museum/permanent-current-upcoming-exhibits/lest-we-forget-doughboys-sammies-and-sailors-great-war/>

-US Army Center of Military History: Excellent site with lots of pictures and information about WWI and other wars. <https://history.army.mil/index.html>

National Archives and Records Administration

National Archives – WW1 Centennial – Remembering The Great War Site:

<https://www.archives.gov/topics/wwi> Lots of information and links to additional resources.

-Finding Your WW1 Veteran At The National Archives At St. Louis, Presentation by Theresa Fitzgerald: <https://www.archives.gov/files/st-louis/pdf/finding-your-ww1-veteran.pdf>

-National Archives Site: Request for Military Service Record:

<https://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records>

Newspapers

-WW1 Newspaper Clipping Database - <https://www.loc.gov/collections/world-war-history-newspaper-clippings/about-this-collection/>

-Stars & Stripes Newspaper, Paris, France: American Expeditionary Forces, 1918-1919, available online at the Library of Congress website at: <https://www.loc.gov/item/20001931>

Training Camps

-Camp Devens – History: **The Building of a World War I Cantonment 1918**

<https://www.gjenvick.com/Military/ArmyArchives/TrainingCenters/CampDevens/DescribedAndPhotographed/1918/BuildingOfCampDevens.html>

-Camp Upton – Pictures: <https://history.army.mil/html/bookshelves/resmat/wwi/pt02/ch07/pt02-ch07-sec02.html>

Connecticut

-CT State Library – Military Records Site: <https://libguides.ctstatelibrary.org/hg/militaryrecords/wwi>

-Service records: Connecticut Men and women in the armed forces of the United States during World War, 1917-1920 at Archive.org

Volume I - <https://archive.org/details/servicerecordsco01offi/page/n7> Contains list of Abbreviations

Volume II - <https://archive.org/details/servicerecordsco02offi/page/n5>

Volume III - <https://archive.org/stream/servicerecordsco03unse#page/n6/mode/1up>

-A Modern History of New London County, CT: Has honor roll of WW1 Veterans:

<https://archive.org/details/modernhistoryofn02mars/page/n6>

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Massachusetts

-Massachusetts Adjutant General's Office – Historical Services:

<https://www.massnationalguard.org/index.php/history/historical-services.html> Note: Records up to 1919 have been transferred to the Massachusetts State Archives.

-Massachusetts State Archives – Researching Your Family History at the MA State Archives site:

<http://www.sec.state.ma.us/arc/arcgen/genidx.htm>

-Massachusetts State Library – WWI Site:

https://archives.lib.state.ma.us/discover?filtertype=subject&filter_relational_operator=equals&filter=World+War%2C+1914-1918.

New York

-NY State Archives – Military Records Site: <http://www.archives.nysed.gov/research/military-records>

-NY State Library – Military Records Site: <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/genealogy/civwar.htm>

-NY State WWI Centennial Commission: <https://www.ny.gov/programs/new-york-state-wwi-centennial-commission>

-History of the 77th Division: <https://www.ny.gov/new-york-state-wwi-centennial-commission/77th-division>

-New York State Museum: <http://www.nysm.nysed.gov/about/press/state-museum-opens-world-war-i-exhibition-april-15>

-New York State Military Museum: <https://dmna.ny.gov/historic/reghist/wwi/>

-New York City, 77 Infantry Division, 307th Infantry REGIMENT MEMORIAL GROVE
Central Park, New York City:

<http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/memorials/CentralParkMemorial2.html>

-Rochester, NY – World War Service Record Rochester And Monroe County, N.Y.– Book from Rochester, NY Library:

http://www.libraryweb.org/~digitized/books/World_War_service_record_vol_1.pdf

-Rochester Scrapbook, WWI:

http://www.libraryweb.org/~digitized/scrapbooks/Rochester_Museum_obituary_scrapbook_v_16.pdf

-World War Service Record Rochester and Monroe County, NY "Those Who Went Forward to Serve"

Link to Book: http://www.libraryweb.org/~digitized/books/World_War_service_record_vol_2.pdf

Pennsylvania

-Pennsylvania WWI resources: <https://www.worldwar1centennial.org/index.php/about/2015-12-23-19-19-15/please-donate/74-pennsylvania/pennsylvania-in-ww1.html>

Honor Your Ancestor's Service

WW1 Centennial Commission, Stories of Service:

<https://www.worldwar1centennial.org/index.php/commemorate/family-ties/stories-of-service.html>

-HonorStates.org – website to capture information on Gold Star Veterans in the United States. WW1 site link:

<https://www.honorstates.org/index.php?page=wars&war=World+War+I&do=states>

-Honor Roll Project - <https://honorrollproject.weebly.com/> Effort to photograph and transcribe names of veterans on various monuments in US and abroad.

-WW1 Memorial Inventory Project: <http://ww1mproject.org/> Ongoing project to create an online inventory of World War I memorials and monuments in the United States and U.S. territories.

Canadian WW1 Records

-Canadian WWI Records - Library and Archives of Canada, Canadian Expeditionary Forces – Enlistment and Service Record for William Carmichael: <https://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/first-world-war/personnel-records/Pages/item.aspx?IdNumber=88264>