

BIOGRAPHICAL MEMORANDA

IN REFERENCE TO

William Jesse Bunnell

Great care should be exercised in filling the blanks which follow. Data should be full and accurate. The facts given will form the basis for sketches, and if wanting in detail or if carelessly prepared, the sketches will be correspondingly deficient. The facts called for have reference to the subject of the sketch. Collect all data and examine blank carefully before attempting to fill. Attach sheets of this size for additional data.

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- 1. Full name (do not use initials): William Jesse Bunnell.
- 2. Present P. O. (give last address, with date of death if dead): Died Nov. 7th 1918
- 3. Exact date and place of birth: on Borned Nov. 27¹⁸⁹⁴ at Wynnsville in the county of Blount State of Alabama
- 4. Full name of the subject's father: William James Bunnell born at in the county of Milton State of Ga. He lived at near Wynnsville Blount Co Ala. Give also any particulars concerning him, as official position, war services, etc., books written by, etc.

He was the son of Allen Bunnell and his wife Cynthia Bunnell who lived at near Wynnsville Blount Co Ala.

5. Maiden name in full of the subject's mother: Viola Hathon She was the daughter of Noel Hathon and his wife Ellen Hathon who lived at near Wynnsville Blount Co Ala.

6. Remarks on Ancestry. Give here any and all facts possible in reference to your parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, etc., not included in the foregoing, as where they lived, offices held, Revolutionary or other war service; what country the family came from to America, where first settled, county and State; always giving full names (if possible) and never referring to an ancestor simply as such without giving the name. It is desirable to include every fact possible, and to that end the full and exact record from old Bibles should be appended on separate sheets of this size, thus preserving the facts from loss:

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7. Early education—where obtained, incidents, names of teachers: *Common School Education obtained in a Country School. being a poor boy he had College Education his teacher for 10 years. short-term*

8. College education—where attended, and year of graduation, with college honors and degrees: *each year, was W. A. Moore. who still teaches in the Lykensville School Blount Co Ala.*

9. Professional education, if any—where obtained, date of graduation, with degrees:

10. Profession or occupation—date entered upon, where practiced, and incidents of: *He was a farmer. tho weakly, made a hand on the farm at any hard work.*

11. Every civil office held—city, county, State or national, with exact dates as far as possible. If ever a member of the Legislature, give date of session:

12. Miscellaneous: Reform movements, influence on affairs, etc:

13. Political party—official position, committee work in, etc.: Democrat
never did any Political work, but
was a true Democrat

14. Church connection—with official position, if any: He was a
Methodist- he was a member of
the M.E. Church South. Sunday School
Secretary when he went to Camp

15. If a member of the Masons, Odd Fellows, or other secret order, give names, with official position, if any:
He had just joined the masons
only got the first degree before he
went to Camp, but was much interested

16. Titles of books written or edited. Give exact copy of title page, with the number of pages the book contains: in the masons and anxious
to become a full recognized member,
and would could he have lived he joined
the masons at Clarence, Ala. May, 1918.

17. Maiden name in full of the subject's wife, with date and place of marriage: He was
not married.

She was the daughter of _____ and his
Full name
wife _____ who lived at _____
Full name

Give also other and full particulars of wife's ancestry, as far as possible:

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18. Military record: (1) exact rank, (2) name of commands and commanders, (3) date and places of service, (4) heroic or trying incidents personal to your service, all as full as possible, and

if necessary on separate sheets of paper:

William Jesse Sumrell
Machine Gun Co. 145th Inf. ^{Aug. 25-1918} he was transferred
to the 42nd division. he went over the top 3
times 1st during the St-Mihiel Salient Sept.
the 12th and 13th then again through the
terrible fighting through the Argonne Oct-11th
to Nov. 11, 1918. he was one of the very few
of Capt. Kenneth G. Seibert's men left after the
terrible fighting Oct. 14th and 15th 1918. in front
Landers St. George. R. B. Delacour was
his Lieutenant. John M. Kenny was
his Corporal. he wrote us our boy Jesse
was wounded in the pit of the St. Mihiel
from which he died soon after. he fought
through the Battles of St. Mihiel, Meuse Argonne
and Defensive Sector.

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19. Full list of children (if any) of the subject of the sketch, with full names of husbands or wives of each, in case of marriage, with present place of residence and P. O., numbering them in regular order, viz:

(1) ^{his parents} Capt Seibert wrote, he died of honorable
wounds received in action. Nov. 17th 1918 during
the fighting for possession of the Heights South of
Sedan. Corporal John M. Kenny wrote us
he certainly was a splendid example of the type
of American Soldier. his Lieutenant R. B.
Delacour wrote us. he was a model Soldier
Always on the spot when needed.
His Body was sent to Altoona Ala. his home station
Aug. 5-1921 and buried in the home country
at Wynumville Ala. Aug. 6. Burial Services Con-
ducted by Rev. W. L. Hendricks & M. R. Martin.

The foregoing data was prepared by

(Mrs) Viola Sumrell
Soldiers Mother

Name

Date

Oct. 10th. 1921

Altoona Ala. Route 1.

Address