HE HAD ONE LIFE AND HE GAVE THAT WHEN HIS COUNTRY CALLED

Lieutenant George Waring Huston

One of the largest outpourings of friends and fellow-townpeople that ever accompanied a Selman to his last resting place, assembled Saturday afternoon, to pay tribute to Lieut. George Waring Huston, whose body, brought from that foreign land, was laid to rest in Live Oak Cemetery.

At 3 o'clock Company "C" and members of the American Legion, gathered at the mortuary and marched to the Huston home on Church street, where they acted as escort to the body to the Broad Street Presbyterian church. Dr. Joseph Dunngliston here read the service and invoked Divine blessing. The choir sang an appropriate number while the congregation entered the church and while leaving.

The line of march to the cemetery was preceded by the National colors, followed by the Selma Rifles, then the bearskins of the American Legion, the family and friends. At the cemetery the the members of the Selma Rifles formed a single rank about the grave, Dr. Dunngliston gave the burial service, Dr. John A. Davison, chaplain, pronounced the benediction and after the firing of the gun, by the military company, "taps" were sounded.

The following Selma boys, all members of Lieut. Huston's regiment and who saw service with him overseas as act as pall-bearers for the service; W. Allen, John Rowell, Jim Nicolson, Arthur Parvin, Blev Dunhikin and Jack Howard.

First to Take Prisoner

Lieut. Huston had the honor of being the first officer in the eighty-second division who captured and brought back a German prisoner. He assigned this prisoner to the first three prisoners assigned to the regiment. He was killed a month before the armistice. He left behind him bound with hugging hope and this leave to enter an officers training camp, first at Camp Sherman and later at Camp Gordon, where he graduated as a second lieutenant of infantry and lost his life.

The 82nd Division to which his regiment belonged was called for over-seas service and left for France early in April 1918. In July of that year he received his commission and was assigned to "C" company in the same regiment and although a stranger to the members of the platoon, Sergeant Cohen, wrote of him in his death, says: "He was new to the men but now they all learned to love him. Outwardly, Lieutenant Huston was an officer; in his heart he was with the soldier under him. He was a friend of the soldier and when he led his platoon "over the top" in the Argonne in the afternoon of October 16th, his men stuck to him like glue. When the men were ordered to seek shelter from the enemy fire, the last to seek safety was he. It was here that he gave his life for his country, at the age of 28."

Cited For Bravery

A citation for bravery was issued by the Commanding General for his conduct in this engagement in which he lost his life.

George Waring Huston was born in Selma June 1st 1896. He attended the public schools and was graduated from the High School at the age of eighteen. He was a member of the Phi Delta Theta order. He was engaged in the study of law, when our country entered the war and he was one of the first young men who volunteered for service.

He was the only commissioned officer that went from Selma to the war, the only man of his father, the first of the Pressbyterian church, who gave his life for his country.

Mrs. John W. Lapsley of this city.