

Alabama In European War

Name: Boswell, James Asbury

P. O. Elmore, Elmore Co.

Next of Kin:

Rank and Command: Captain, Company D., 371st Inf., U. S. A.

Service Record: James Asbury Boswell was born in Pike County, Alabama, March 5, 1888; received his early education in the common schools; graduated from Troy State Normal School in 1911. He taught successfully in the schools at Brawton, Montevallo and Eufaula, resigning his position at the latter place in 1917 to enter the army. He was commissioned as First Lieutenant after a period of training at Fort Oglethorpe, and was assigned to the camp at Columbia, S. C., for sometime as instructor. From there, with Company A, 371st Infantry, he went to France. Later he was transferred to Company D, and was in charge of that company, as Captain in the Champagne offensive, when, in an attack on the Bussy Farm, he received wounds which caused his death, September 28, 1918. He was buried near Verdun, Grave No. 345. P. L. Miller, Colonel, 371st Inf., U. S. A., in writing of Captain Boswell's death, said: "He was a splendid leader and never failed to inspire courage in his officers and men by his personal disregard of danger."

Authority: From Troy State Normal School, The Palladium, 1919, p. 3.

Name: Boswell, James A.

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Next of Kin: F.A.Boswell, Elmore.

Rank and Command: Lieutenant.

Service Record: Died of wounds. Casualty list, section 2, November 30, 1918.

Grave # 37, Amer. Plot Row.#2, Sec. B.
French Mil. Cty.Auve, Marne.
D.D. 9/30/18.

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