

World War I Papers for Frank Schober, 1917-1918

Object ID: MG0797

1 box 2 folders, 7 items, 29 pages to scan .1 cubic feet

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Scope and Content Note: The World War I Papers for Frank Schober collection contains articles about the death of Frank Schober, who was a soldier in World War I and was a part of the 109th Machine Gun Battalion. The collection contains an obituary for Frank A. Schober, called "Our Heroes." Information about his place of burial, which includes photographs of the gravesite and Schober's headstone, is also included. There is also a scan of his death certificate, issued by John J. Pershing, Commander in chief of the American Expeditionary forces. There are pictures of Schober himself included in some of the photocopies. There are also multiple accounts of the history of the Meuse-Argonne offensive and the cemetery where Schober was laid to rest.

Creator: Schober, Frank A., d.1918.

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Biographical and Historical Note: Frank A. Schober was born to parents Jacob and Teresa Schober. He was the youngest of 8 children, and grew up in Lancaster PA. He enlisted in the Pennsylvania National Guard, and was a part of the 109th Machine Gun Battalion, Company A, of the 28th US Army Division. He was in World War I during July 1918 until his death on October 5, 1918. He was employed by the Hamilton Watch Company for eight years before entering the service and his untimely death. He was an active member of society in Lancaster, and was a member of the Sacred Heart Church in Lancaster and the Knights of Columbus. Frank Schober was engaged to be married before he was enlisted in the war effort in World War I. He was buried in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery in France. His parents, Jacob and Teresa, are both buried in St. Joseph Cemetery in Lancaster, PA.

Source of Acquisition: Gift of Robert C. Schober and Charles and Mary Brill, in memory of Charles Schober and Frank Schober, 20 October 2018.

Custodial History (Provenance): The original items remain in the donors' possessions.



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Processing History: Processed and finding aid prepared by EM, January 2019. This collection has been documented, preserved and managed according to professional museum and archives standards. The collection was cataloged using DACS conventions.

Folder 1 (6 items, 6 pages)

Insert 1 "Our Heroes" article about Frank A. Schober.

Insert 2 American Battle Monuments Commission document for Frank A. Schober, Corporal in the U.S. Army, documenting his burial place in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, with pictures.

Insert 3 Certificate of death from United States Army, American Expeditionary Forces (AEF) from October 5, 1918.



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Insert 4 Information page about the American Battle Monuments Commission, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery.

Insert 5 Information page about the Meuse-Argonne American cemetery and the Meuse-Argonne offensive.

Insert 6 Information about the history of the Meuse-Argonne cemetery, including the story of its survival during WWII, even while being occupied by enemy forces.

Folder 2 Photocopy of “History of Co. A 109th Machine Gun Battalion, AEF” booklet. This booklet explains the history of the Battalion, and also lists some of the men who died and where they died, including Frank A. Schober. Includes text and pictures. (1 item, 13 pieces, 13 pages)

