


Washington County, Colorado




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Military Records: Old Washington County Files
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There was a very nice section of Military / Veteran Records in the old Washington County files.

This Page will contain all of them so that they are easier to find.

The Information appears to contain records for both WWI and WWII
Washington County, Colorado

Gold Star Veterans

This listing of service men and women who died in the service of their county was compiled from various sources. Many of the obituary transcriptions were donated by Pat Oestman of Wray, Colorado while Arlene Glenn of Otis and the late Steve Chaplin of Yuma were invaluable in tracking down information on those listed. This page and all the others will be left intact - The data may be used for personal

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Blue and Gold Star Flags



The practice of displaying a service banner or ribbon to recognize members of the family serving in the armed forces dates back to at least the Spanish American War and perhaps to the Civil War. The current design of a red and white flag with a blue service star (Blue Star Flag) for each serving family member originated in 1917 during World War I.

After 1918 when President Wilson ordered a Gold Star pin be given to the mothers of dead WWI servicemen, the blue service star on the service banner was covered with a gold star to honor those killed in service. Another variation had the the blue star covered with a silver star to honor those invalided home from wounds received in action. The design wasn't standardized until World War II.

Blue Star Flags were widely displayed by families during World War II and a formal Gold Star Flag presentation to the family was a routine part of a World War II memorial service. Service flags were seldom seen during the Vietnam War but have been making a comeback since 1990.

The Files were all reformatted: Each Veteran listed below has a separate page which is a pdf.

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[This is the link for the pdf pages](#) ~ [This is the link for the Obituaries](#)

[Individual 'GoldStar' Photos can be found here.](#)

[Photos that went with the Obits are here](#)

"Gold Star Veteran's of Washington County, Colorado"

[Please use this link for a Chart with Names, Rank, Date of Death and Location](#)

Note: The File of Obits is not all Military. Take the time to look for individuals of interest, or use the search box above

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World War I Servicemen, Washington County, Colorado

Transcribed by Lee C. Zion from "Roster of Men and Women Who Served in the World War from Colorado, 1917-18"

published by Adjutant General, Colorado National Guard, 1941.

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The transcriptions done by Lee were submitted to the Archives:

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Names for this list were contributed by Arlene Glenn and Lee Zion.

Note from original County Coordinator, Lee Zion:

"The starting point for this list of veterans was compiled by Bud Wells for "The War Years, A 50th Anniversary Album", a photo album of Washington County WWII veteran's pictures. Mr. Wells acknowledged that his list was not complete and your additions are needed.

I would also like to add a short service note to each name. I.E. Edwin Joseph Conrad
CPT USA 1942 - 1945, 65th FA (Armored), ETO (N. Africa, Sicily, France, Germany),
Legion of Merit

I did not distinguish between the basic military services, the reserve components and
the women's services in the listing."

Lee Zion SGM, USA (Retired)



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