

Boyle County African-Americans who were members of the Harlem Hellfighters during World War I

HQ Co, and Companies A, B C, D sailed on the Stockholm from Brest, France, 2 Feb 1919 to New York, 12 Feb 1919

Companies E, F, G, H sailed on the Regina from Brest, France, 3 Feb 1919 to New York, 12 Feb 1919

Companies I, K, L, M, and Machine Gun Co sailed on the France from Brest, France, 2 Feb 1919 to New York, 9 Feb 1919

Camper, Leslie, res 517 S Third, inducted at Boyle Co on 17 Jul 1918, born Danville; DOB or age 29 8/12; organization 159 Dep Brig to Aug 9/18; Camp Taylor Aug Aut Repl Draft to Sep 21/18; Co I 369 Inf to Nov 15/18; MG Co 369 inf to disch; grade Pvt; served overseas 22 Aug 1918 to 12 Feb 1919; discharged 3 Mar 1919. Ship's manifest says, Camper, Leslie, Pvt, Mach Gun, p3, contact Mrs Amy Camper, Mother, resides 507 South 1st St, Danville, Boyle Co

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Son of Jordan and April (MULLINS) KEMPER of Garrard Co, KEMPER, A Leslie, born Danville Nov 1887; mar 28 Jul 1906 (Boyle Marrs Bk 9C p637) Emma D ANDERSON, born Danville 1887, by J R G Slaughter, 0 ch 0 living, res 515 So 3rd St, 1910C.

Camper, Leslie, res 317 S Third, age 28, born 1888, mo 11, day 23, birthplace Danville, occup Unemp, employer Unemp, dependents M, married, signed form with mark, height tall, build slender, eyes Br, hair Blk, registered 5 Jun 1917 (WW1 Draft Reg).

Camper, Leslie, 53, res 517 So 3rd St, Danville, born 23 Nov 1888; who will know address, Fannie KINLEY, So 3rd St, Danville, employer Banks Hudson, West Walnut, Danville, 5'10", brown eyes, black hair, dark brown complexion, scar on left cheek, registered 27 Apr 1942.

In 1940C, Ward 1, Danville, p1B, he is 52, single; lodgers Letha Crowders, 21, Mayola Russell, 5, and Mary M Graves, 40. He owned house at 519 3rd St worth \$1200, where families of James Middleton and Riley Turner also lived. KyVR says he died 31 March 1973, age 85; Find A Grave says he bur Hilldale.

KEMPER, Jordan, born Garrard Co Apr 1858 (1900C) or 1860 (1910C); mar at her residence 13 Sep 1883 Aria or April MULLINS, born 1858 (1900C), 1865 (1910C) or Garrard Co 1862 (DC), d/o Jordan and Martha (PRE???)

MULLINS, by C A Nichols, witnesses Bocker Withers, Mary Withers (Boyle Marrs Bk 5C p265), died 517 So 3rd St 30 Nov 1927, married, informant Jordan Kemper, bur Hilldale. They res 3rd St, 9 ch 5 living 1900C; res 517 So 3rd St, 13 ch 3 living 1910C.

Children:

1—KEMPER, Charley, born Mar 1886.

2—KEMPER, A Leslie, born Danville Nov 1887; mar 28 Jul 1906 (Boyle Marrs Bk 9C p637) Emma D ANDERSON, born Danville 1887, by J R G Slaughter, 0 ch 0 living, res 515 So 3rd St, 1910C.

Camper, Leslie, res 317 S Third, age 28, born 1888, mo 11, day 23, birthplace Danville, occup Unemp, employer Unemp, dependents M, married, signed form with mark, height tall, build slender, eyes Br, hair Blk, registered 5 Jun 1917 (WW1 Draft Reg).

Camper, Leslie, 53, res 517 So 3rd St, Danville, born 23 Nov 1888; who will know address, Fannie KINLEY, So 3rd St, Danville, employer Banks Hudson, West Walnut, Danville, 5'10", brown eyes, black hair, dark brown complexion, scar on left cheek, registered 27 Apr 1942.

Camper, Leslie, res 517 S Third, inducted 17 Jul 1918; age 29; Sep 21, 1918, 369 Infantry to Nov 15, 1918; served overseas 22 Aug 1918 to 12 Feb 1919; discharged 3 Mar 1919 (Boyle Co in the World War, BCPub Library)

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3—KEMPER, Richard, born Jun 1890 (1900C) or Boyle Co 9 Jun 1891 (DC), died at 517 S 3rd St 6 Nov 1911, single, born 9 Jun 1891, age 20 yr, informant Jordan Kemper, Danville, bur at Hilldale.

4—KEMPER, Herbert or Hubbard, born Danville Dec 1893 of whom further.

SOURCE: 1900C, Boyle Co, Danville, ED14, p5A; 1910C, Boyle Co, ED26, Pct 14, p18B; Boyle Marrs Bk 5C p265; Boyle Marrs Bk 9C p637; Boyle Marrs Bk13C p27; Death Cert Richard KEMPER 1911; Death Cert April (MULLINS) KEMPER 1927

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Gaines, Wallace, Ship's manifest says, Pvt, Co F, p7, contact Mrs Lizzie B Gaines, Mother, resides Gundin City, Junction City, Boyle Co

Gaines, Wallace, son of Ed Gaines and his second wife, Lizzie B Walker, both buried Shelby City African-American Cemetery.

GAINES, Wallace Allen, born Aug 1894 (1900C) or 13 Oct 1894 (DC), died Dayton OH VA Hospital 3 Aug 1945, informant F G CRISWELL, FAF, Dayton OH, bur Shelby City African American Cem, WW1 Veteran. At registration, 5 June 1917, he resided 50 Mad St, Dayton, OH, emp at Platt Iron Works, dependents mother and father, single, was 5'11", slender build, black hair, black eyes, and he signed the registration card (WW1 Registration, Dayton, OH). In August 1918, he embarked from Hoboken, NJ on the President Grant from Camp Taylor, KY as a member of Company 2, Infantry, Replacement Draft. "Gaines, Wallace, 3708709, Pvt, Inf, emergency contact Mrs Lizzie B Gaines, mother, of Junction City, KY." On 3 Feb 1919, he embarked on the Regina from Brest, France to New York City, this time listed as a private, Company F, 369th Infantry, with contact Mrs Lizzie B Gaines, mother, of "Gundin" City, Kentucky.

He mar(1) Shelby City 15 Apr 1918 (Boyle Marrs Bk 13C p106), Bertha SINGLETON, born Mt Salem 1897, d/o Clay and Lottie (____) SINGLETON, born 2 Feb 1901, died Junction City 22 Nov 1918, d/o Clay and Lettie (PATTON) SINGLETON, informant Bessie Thomas of Junction City, bur Shelby City African American Cem. In 1920C, he resided with parents, as a widower. He mar(2) AME Church, Junction City 25 Apr 1922 (Boyle Marrs Bk 15C p80) Edna DAVIS (OH Death Cert) born Danville ca 1903, divorced, d/o Joe and Lucy (____) DAVIS, who died before 1940, as in 1940C, as a widower, he resided 1940C with widowed mother, Elizabeth; on Jail St, now So Lucas St, Junction City.

Gaines appears in the Danville *Advocate-Messenger* several times.

1919, Jun 17, p4: The colored baseball team of this place [Junction City] steered by Wallace Gaines Rats Hocker and Dave Kenley downed the Hustonville's team at white school diamond, Saturday by 6 to 5. They play here again July 4th.

1919, Nov 8, p4: Wallace Gaines, colored, was cut up in a fight with Clark Cox, colored, here [Junction City] Thursday monring [sic]. The jailer and sheriff came out and got Cox and the hospital got Gaines.

1921, Jul 6, p2: The colored base ball team from Danville came out here [Junction City] and meant to whip our Junction City colored baseball team off the map, but Pat Hocker, Wesley Burke, Wallace Gaines, Dave Kenley and Engleman and other good players showed them how baseball is played and won 17 to 10. Many errors were made by both sides due to lack of time to practice together. No intoxicating drinking was noticed, as only pop and ice cream were on the grounds for sale and the crowd was orderly and all went well.

1922, Apr 26, p1: MARRIAGE LICENSE. Wallace Gaines, colored, Junction City, and Elma Pearl Davis, colored, Danville, secured a marriage license at the county clerk's office today. The woman was recently granted a divorce in the Boyle court.

1922, May 16, p4: Rats Hocker and Wesley Burke's and Wallace Gaines' baseball team which has never been together since last season, played the Perryville colored team here [Junction City] Saturday and were beaten by a score of 7 to 4. Rat's team is better than the Perryville one, when in practice and they will beat them next time at Perryville, sure. The colored boys have rented the school grounds to play when the white town team has games away from home or do not occupy the grounds.

1945, Aug 7, p2: Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at Junction City Methodist Church for Wallace Gaines, colored, 50 years old, who died Friday at the Veteran's hospital, Dayton, Ohio. The Rev. P A Carter of Danville and the Rev Elizabeth Smith will officiate. Burial will be in Shelby City cemetery. Mr. Gaines was the son of Mrs L B Gaines of Junction City. He is survived also by a sister and niece of Cincinnati, Ohio, and one foster-brother. Jackson funeral home is in charge of arrangements.

2—GAINES, Mary; mar ____ CASEY or COURSEY, res Cincinnati 1957; child Mrs Ernest WAITES of Cincinnati.

3—?GAINES, child.

4—?GAINES, child.

SOURCE: 1900C, Boyle Co, Junction City, p82A; 1910C, Boyle Co, ED21, MD5, Pct9, Junction City, p8B; 1920C, Boyle Co, ED36, MD5, Pct09, p03B, Junction City, Railroad St L&N; 1940C, Boyle Co, MD5, ED11-11, Junction City, Jail St, p01B; Boyle Marrs Bk 13C p106; Boyle Marrs Bk 15C p80; Death Cert Wallace Allen GAINES 1945; Death Cert Bertha SINGLETON 1918; WW1 Registration Wallace Allen GAINES, Dayton, OH

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Grace, Claude, Ship's manifest says, Pvt, Co F, p2, contact Mrs Sallie Grace, Aunt, resides, Danville, Boyle Co

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Helm, Garrett G, Ship's manifest says, Pvt, Co M, p5, contact Mrs Betty Helm, Mother, resides, Shelby City, Boyle Co

Born 15 Jun 1894, died 15 May 1971, buried Hildale Cemetery, Danville

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Hughes, Justin R, res Hedgeville, inducted at Boyle Co on 17 Jul 1918, born Danville; DOB or age 24; organization Co E 801 Pion Inf to Sep 21/18; Co I 369 Inf to disch; grade Pvt; served overseas 21 Aug 1918 to 28 Feb 1919; discharged 14 Apr 1919. Ship's manifest says, Pvt, Co G, p5, contact Mrs Mattie R Hughes, Mother, resides (Evacuated to camp hospital), Hedgeville, Boyle Co

Hughes, Justin R, res Hedgeville, inducted at Boyle Co on 17 Jul 1918, born Danville; DOB or age 24; organization Co E 801 Pion Inf to Sep 21/18; Co I 369 Inf to disch; grade Pvt; served overseas 21 Aug 1918 to 28 Feb 1919; discharged 14 Apr 1919

HUGHES, William, born Nov 1870 (1900C) or 1871 (1920C); mar 1894 (1900C) Martha ____, born Mar 1871 (1900C) or 1871; in 1900C, 4 ch 3 living..

Children:

1—HUGHES, Rowland, born Jul 1894; probably the Justin Rowe Archer HUGHES, born 30 Jul 1894, farm laborer for Will Hughes, 5 June 1917 (WW1 Draft Reg); Hughes, Justin R, resides Hedgeville, Inducted in Boyle Co 17-Jul-18, born Danville, age 24; service record, Co E 801 Pion Inf to Sep 21/18; Co I 369 Inf to disch; rank Pvt; served overseas from 21-Aug-18 to 28-Feb-19, discharged 14-Apr-19 (Boyle County in the War, Boyle County Public Library Special Collections).

2—HUGHES, Annie J, born Jul 1897.

3—HUGHES, W S, son, born Jul 1899.

4—HUGHES, Robert, born 1902.

5—HUGHES, Lydia, born 1903.

6—HUGHES, Gabe, born 1905.

7—HUGHES, Paul, born 1903.

8—HUGHES, Rebecca, born 1911.

9—HUGHES, Louthier?, son, born 1915.

SOURCE: 1900C, Boyle Co, ED 12, MD4, p08B; 1920C, Boyle Co, ED38, MD4, Pct08, p02B, Clifton

In 1930C, Wayne CO, MI, Detroit, Dist 0251-0500, p8A, we find at 5092 34th St, Detroit:

HUGHES, Justin, 36, single, painter

HUGHES, Samuel, 34, single, decorator

HUGHES, Anna J Hughes, 32, single, seamstress

HUGHES, Lydia Hughes, 26, single, stenographer

HUGHES, Praul, 23, single, decorator

HUGHES, Rebecca, 19, single, maid

His death 3 Apr 1959, Request for military gravestone by Willie Mae Hughes, 10218 Dexter Blvd, Detroit, MI, 16 Apr 1959, approved May 17, 1961, for placement at Westlawn Cemetery, Wayne Co, MI. States that he served Co G, 369th Inf, 93rd Division

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Jenkins, Frank B, res 515 Russell St, inducted at Boyle Co on 17 Jul 1918, born Danville; DOB or age 29 1/12; organization Co E 801 Pion Inf to Aug 14/18; Camp Taylor Aug Aut Repl Draft to Sept 21/18; MG Co 369 Inf to disch; grade Pvt; served overseas 2 Apr 1919; discharged 29 Apr 1919. Ship's manifest says, Jenkins, Frank, Pvt, Mach Gun, p4, contact Mrs Fannie Jenkins, Mother, resides 515 Russel St (Evac to hospital), Danville, Boyle Co

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JENKINS, Frank B, son of Joshua and Fannie (KNOX) JENKINS, born Jul 1888 (1900C) or Danville 1899 (D Cert), hotel waiter in 1910C, died at res 466 So 3rd St 22 Feb 1957, informant Mrs Susie Bland, buried Camp Nelson, Jessamine Co. As of 1910C, they had no children, and res with his brother, Addison G JENKINS. Jenkins, Frank B, res 515 Russell, age 28, born 1889, mo 7, day 25, birthplace Danville, occup Elevator boy, employer Welsh Wisenger, no dependents, single, signed form, height tall, build slender, eyes Br, hair Blk, registered 5 Jun 1917 (WW1 Draft Reg).

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Lewis, Gatewood, res Hedgeville, inducted at Danville on 17 Jul 1918, born Hytsville; DOB or age 24 7/12; organization 70 Co 18 Tr Bn 159 Dep Brig to Aug 8/18 Co E 801 Pion Inf to Sep 24/18 Co I Repl 369 Inf to Oct 24/18 Co F 369 Inf to disc; grade Pvt; served overseas 22 Aug 1918 to 12 Feb 1919; discharged 3 Mar 1919. Ship's manifest says, Pvt, Co F, p3, contact Mrs Mattie Jett, Sister, Point Lick, TX (from Hedgeville)

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1900C, Garrard Co, MD4, Point Leavell, p13A says he was born Aug 1895, grandson of John and Bettie (____) MARET

Mar rec says he mar Mollie LETCHER 5 Oct 1920, and was son of George and Mary (____) LEWIS

Draft record in Boyle Co says he was born Garrard Co 27 Dec 1895; one Gaitwood Lewis, widower, died Detroit, Wayne Co, MI 9 Nov 1950

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Moore, Harry L (should be C), res Lebanon Pike, inducted at Boyle Co on 19 Jun 1918, born Danville; DOB or age 30 10/12; organization 159 Dep Brig to July 30/18; Co C 801 Pion Inf to Sep 21/18; Co I 369 Inf to Oct 17/18; Co D 369 Inf to disch; grade Pvt; served overseas 22 Aug 1918 to 23 Mar 1919; discharged 14 Apr 1919

Ship's manifest says he sailed from Brest, France 12 Mar 1919, and arrived in Hoboken, NJ 23 Mar 1919, Pvt, resided Danville, next of kin, Isaac Moore, father, on the Noordam. He is listed under St Aignan Casual Co No 1426 (Colored B & C).

WW1 Draft Registration says born 21 Aug 1887, signed card, signature same as WW2 registration card

WW2 Draft Registration says born 22 Aug 1887, Harry Cowan Moore, Lebanon Pike, relative Mrs Lucille Moore, he was 5'5", 130, brown eyes, gray eyes, signed card.

Born 22 Aug 1895, served WW1, died Alum Springs Rd 5 Mar 1946, s/o Isaac and Mary (SOUTHERN) MOORE, a painter, res Lebanon Rd, bur Hilldale

MOORE, Isaac; mar Mary _____, born Sep 1854, divorced, 7 ch 7 living.

Children, born KY:

1—MOORE, Mary M, born Jun 1883.

2—MOORE, Daisy D, born May 1887.

3—MOORE, Harry, born Jul 1889. Moore, Harry, res Danville, age 29, born 1887, mo 8, day 21, birthplace Danville, occup House cleaner, employer Different families in and about Danville, no dependents, married, signed form, height medium, build medium, eyes Br, hair Blk, registered 5 Jun 1917 (WW1 Draft Reg).

4—MOORE, Isaac, born Mar 1892.

5—MOORE, Myrtle F, born Sep 1893.

SOURCE: 1900C, Boyle Co, MD3, p54B

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Walker, Hubert B, res RR 1 Parksville, inducted at Boyle Co on 19 Jun 1918, born Parksville; DOB or age 22 3/12; organization Co A 801 Pion Inf to Aug 13/18; Co I 369 Inf to Nov 4/18; MG Co 369 Inf to disch; grade Pvt; served overseas 22 Aug 1918 to 12 Feb 1919; discharged 3 Mar 1919. Ship's manifest says, Pvt, Mach Gun, p6, contact Mrs Mary Walker, Mother, resides, Parksville, Boyle Co

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WALKER, Hubert, s/o Johnson and Mary (ANDREWS) WALKER, (called Dee H in 1910C), born Boyle Co Mar 1896, res Parksville; mar AME Church Parksville 1 Mar 1922 (Boyle Marrs Bk 15C p72) Katie Jane CALDWELL, born Boyle Co Oct 1899, res Persimmon Knob, d/o James and Lena (BAUGHMAN) CALDWELL, by Rev E Moore, died Danville 30 Oct 1958, informant Hubert Walker, buried St James AME (Wilsonville) Cem. They res Alum Springs Rd 1930. Walker, Hubert, res RFD Parksville, age 21, born 1896, mo 3, day 21, birthplace Parksville, occup Farmer, employer Clifton Sandidge, Parksville, dependents F/M, single, signed form, height short, build medium, eyes Br, hair Blk, registered 5 Jun 1917 (WW1 Draft Reg).

Children:

1—WALKER, infant son, born and died Junction City 8 Jun 1917, informant Katherine J Caldwell, Junction City, buried at Persimmon Knob (Zion Hill).

2—WALKER, Edith, born 1926.