

### **Edward L. Dupuis**

(Note: Spelled “Dupuie” or “Dufeuis” or “Dupois” on some records)

Edward L. Dupuis was born on September 4, 1895 in Mendota, Minnesota. His parents were Edward and Johannah Dupuis. He had four sisters: Josephine, Mary Ellen, Cecilia, and Gertrude. Prior to his military service, Edward completed high school and worked as a railroad switchman.

Dupuis enlisted into the Army on June 24, 1918. He served with Company MG, 86th Division, 344th Infantry of the U.S. Army. Dupuis' rank was Sergeant with the Provost Guard Co. at Camp Grant in Illinois. He was mustered out of service on March 24, 1919.

After the war, Dupuis married Selma Bertina Aarhus on November 29, 1922 in Hennepin County. He worked as a Clerk in his father's store and lived in Mendota. By 1930, Edward was working as a Smithman in the Railroad industry. It is probable the couple had a son around 1940, as the census lists “Infant Nolan” in the household. Selma died in 1943. Dupuis possibly remarried to a woman named Margaret M. He died on June 23, 1958 in Frederic, WI and was buried at Ft. Snelling Cemetery.