Joseph Hartwig

Joseph Hartwig was born on October 11th, 1894 in Farmington Minnesota. His father was born in Germany, his mother in Iowa. Prior to the war Joseph went to the University of Minnesota for dentistry. He became a dentist, and lived at 512 13 Ave SE in Minneapolis Minnesota.

When America became involved in World War One Joseph took his medical skill set to the battlefield. He was inducted into service on August 4th 1917 at the age of 23 as a First Lieutenant. He was put into the 136th medical detachment of the 37th infantry division. He was first sent to Camp Sheridan, Alabama from September 17th, 1917 to May 16th, 1918. After he left Camp Sheridan he was stationed at Camp Lee, Virginia from May 18th, 1918 to June 23rd, 1918. He left Newport News, Virginia on June 23rd, 1918 for Brest, France. After he arrived he first went into action on August 4th, 1918. He was stationed in the Baccarat Sector and the Arracourt Sectors of France helping to treat the wounded. Joseph then went on to participate in the Muse-Argonne Offensive. After the Offensive Joseph then went to the Pannes Sector of France. Shortly after this he then participated in his last offensive of the war which was the Ypres-Lys offensive. After the war came to a close Joseph was stationed in Berlin as part of the occupying force. On March 12th, 1919 he was promoted to Captain. After his stay in Berlin Joseph returned on August 12th, 1919 and was discharged from the military at Camp Dodge, Iowa on September 2nd, 1919.

After the war Joseph went into business for himself and operated his own dental practice. On December 12th, 1962 Joseph Hartwig passed away, and rests at the Fort Selling National Cemetery.