August Langer

August Langer was born on July 12, 1890 in Eureka Township, Minnesota to German born Frank and Mathilda (Pflaum) Langer. Two of August’s brothers, John E. Langer and Joseph Langer, also served in the military during WWI.

Before the War, August worked on farms owned by Charles Blesener and Julius Fink in Greenvale Township, Minnesota. He registered for the draft at Greenvale and was inducted into the service on May 28, 1918. He trained at Camp Louis, Washington; Camp Kearney, California; and Camp Dodge, Iowa. He initially served with the Army’s 44th Company, Depot Brigade, then was transferred to Company H, 160th Regiment, 40th Division. According to his military Service Questionnaire, he is listed in the Base Hospital under medical care from January 1919 to about July 1, 1919. He was discharged from service at Camp Dodge, Iowa in March 1919.

After the War, August lived with his brother Charles Langer and continued to work as a farm laborer. He did not marry. He died September 15, 1966 at age 76 and is buried in St. Michael’s Catholic Cemetery in Farmington, Minnesota.