

## **Lucy Agatha Barry**

Lucy Agatha Barry was born in Minnesota on April 9, 1893 to parents Michael Barry and Johanna Barry (nee Kennedy). Lucy Barry's grandfather, Edmond, was one of the original settlers of Dakota County. Her father, Michael, was the second of nine sons to work the family farm. Michael Barry had a son and five daughters. In 1910, the three youngest daughters remained on the farm as laborers. Around 1916, the family moved to Carroll Ave in St. Paul. Lucy Barry and her youngest sister Elizabeth became registered nurses. Barry likely trained to become a nurse at St. Catherine University in St. Paul under the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. Prior to serving during the war, Barry was a registered nurse at St. John Hospital in Fargo, North Dakota (1915-1917). She probably lived in Eagan, Minnesota for some time as well.

Barry served as an American Red Cross Nurse in France during World War I. She enlisted and left the United States on July 8, 1918.

After the war, Barry returned to St. Paul, where she continued to work as an RN. Barry never married. She lived with her sister, Elizabeth M. Barry, who was also a nurse (and also never married). They lived together until Barry's death of colon and liver cancer in August of 1958. Barry's resting place is with her extended family in St. Peter's Historic Catholic Cemetery in Mendota.