

Frank Boland

Frank Boland was born August 14, 1894 in St. Paul, Minnesota. He was the son of Frank and Margaret Boland. He had three sisters and two brothers, and they were Mrs. Frank Decker, Mrs. J. Willard Edwards, Genevieve, John and Gregory.

At 23 years old, Frank registered for the draft on June 4, 1917 in South St Paul. He was a steamfitter for Nelson Brothers in Racine, Wisconsin at the time. Frank was inducted into the Army, and joined Company A of the 33rd Engineers. He was a Private. According to World War I troop transport records, the 33rd Engineers departed Hoboken, New Jersey on May 10th, 1918 on the USS Dwinsk. They returned from Brest, France on the USS Frederick on May 23, 1919 to Camp Upton, Brooklyn, New York.

After the war, Frank married Stella Kuhn in 1920. She was one year older than Frank. They had three children, Donald, Russell and Robert. At the time of the 1930 census, the Bolands lived on Wyoming Street in the house valued at \$2,000. In 1942, at the age of 47, Frank registered for the draft for World War II. He listed his address as 544 1/2 Ohio Street. He was employed by RL Anderson. Frank passed away four years later on March 22, 1946 after a five month illness. He is buried at Fort Snelling. Frank only outlived his father, also Frank Boland, by 3 years. Frank's father was on the South Saint Paul City Council in 1923, and the Boland family is featured in the book celebrating the Centennial of Dakota County, as a prominent South Saint Paul family. The Boland family home became the rectory for the new Catholic Church, Saint John's, in 1946.

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