

Edward Durich

Edward Durich was born on March 18, 1892 in Kosovo, Russia. His parents were Nick Durich and Constant Bilay Durich, both born in Russia. His native language was German. In 1910, Durich immigrated to the United States. Prior to his military service, Edward worked as a Signalman for the Great Western Railroad in Chicago.

Durich registered for the draft on June 5, 1917. He enlisted on June 19, 1918 at Camp Lewis. At the time of enlistment, Durich's occupation was listed as "Blacksmith". On September 26, 1918, he became a naturalized citizen. He lived in Empire, MN at the time. Durich served with Company E, 138th Engineers of the U.S. Army at Fort Benjamin, Indiana. His rank was private. He was discharged on December 15, 1918 at Fort Benjamin.

After the war, in 1920, Durich was living in Kenyon, MN and working as a laborer for the railroad. He never married. He was still listed as a laborer (in Illinois) at the time of death. He died on May 5, 1927 in Metton, Illinois and was buried at Wheaton Cemetery, DuPage, Illinois.