

John Moser



John Moser was born 5 March 1893 in Lam, Cham District, Bavaria, Germany, one of eight children of George Moser (1851-1922) and Theresa Sturm (1854-1914). He immigrated to the U.S. in 1909 with his brother-in-law John Mathes. In 1910, the two men were working as laborers at Hamm's Brewery and boarding nearby. By 5 June 1917 when he registered for the draft, John Moser had become a naturalized citizen. He was a member of the German fraternal society, Sons of Hermann, Lodge No. 34; the West Side Commercial Club; and the German Catholic Church. In 1917, he was living in West St. Paul in Dakota County at 970 Goff Avenue and listed his occupation as brewer.

Moser enlisted on 27 February 1918, and received his military training at Camp Sevier, Greenville, South Carolina, where he served in the 1st Infantry Division, Company A. His military service number was 2163650.

Moser died 17 December 1918 of bronchopneumonia at the Base Hospital at Camp Sevier. He was 25 years old. He was buried at Calvary Cemetery in St. Paul on 20 December 1918. His sister, Francesca (Moser) Mathes, completed his military service questionnaire on file with the Minnesota Historical Society. Online family trees report that he had a brother, George Moser, who died in 1914 while fighting for Germany.