

Arthur James King

Arthur King was born in Marshan Township, Minnesota on October 30, 1896 to William Richard King (1843-1914) and Eleanor (Nellie) O'Leary King (1855-1934). John's father, an Irish immigrant from County Cork was a farmer. Arthur was the youngest of eleven children. Arthur enlisted in the Marines on April 28, 1917. He was assigned to train at the Port Royal, South Carolina Marine Barracks which was later changed to Paris Island. We could find no details about his service in WWI except that he was assigned to Company I. When he returned home, he married Laura O'Hara (1897-1922) on June 3, 1917 at the age of 20. Laura was orphaned at age 13 and cared for by her older sister, Mae. Arthur married Laura and his brother, Patrick married Mae. Unfortunately Laura would die in 1922 leaving Arthur with four children to raise alone. He married Mable Curwich (1907-1988) in St Paul, Minnesota on March 19, 1926. The couple moved to Jackson, Wisconsin where Arthur farmed. He died on September 23, 1946 at the age of 49. He is buried at St John's Catholic Cemetery in Webster, Wisconsin.

Arthur's older brother, John Charles King also served in WWI with the 35th Division, 129th Machine Gun Battalion, Company C.