

MURTAUGH, WILLIAM

ADAMS COUNTY

Private, 2009162, Company E, 302d Engineers, 77th Division

*Silver Star.* General Orders No. 38, Headquarters 77th Division, A. E. F., November 11, 1918: I desire to record in General Orders a tribute to the following officers and enlisted men for gallant and meritorious conduct in constructing a bridge across the Meuse River, under heavy machine-gun fire, in the vicinity of Villers-devant-Mouzon, on November 6-7, 1918, thereby facilitating the crossing of the Meuse by the Infantry of this division: . . . Private William Murtaugh, 302d Engineers . . . Robert Alexander, Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding. Official: Louis B. Gerow, Adjutant General, Division Adjutant.



*Record.* Born December 14, 1893, Woodruff, W. Va.; son of William and Mary (Finnigan) Murtaugh. Came to Indiana October, 1913. Track foreman, Decatur. Entered service April 26, 1918, Decatur. Training: Camp Taylor, Ky.; Washington Barracks, Washington, D. C. Assigned to 116th Engineers; transferred to Company E, 302d Engineers. Overseas September 1, 1918-May 2, 1919. Battles: Meuse-Argonne. Discharged May 20, 1919.

Married Mary Roop. Son, William, Jr. Decatur.