

Remember Them Forever

Name: Hugh Edward Downard

Birth: 26 March 1888
Cooke County, Texas

Death: 12 October 1918
Argonne Forest, Lorraine, France

Cemetery: Fairview Cemetery, Gainesville, Cooke Co., Texas
GPS of cenotaph: 33.6299321, -97.1248489

Family:

Father: Washington Downard
Mother: Ada Rose Smith

Civilian:

Military: Private, Co. B, 114th Infantry Regiment, 29th Division, American Expeditionary Forces
Hugh was killed by a high explosive shell after being wounded by a machine gun. He is buried in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Departement de la Meuse, Lorraine, France. He has a memorial stone (cenotaph) in Fairview Cemetery, Gainesville, Cooke County, Texas. His memorial stone has his date of birth as March 25, 1888, but his military records state that he was born March 26, 1888.

Sources: FamilySearch ID LX7T-69P has military records and a letter published in the Gainesville Daily Register telling how he died. Find a Grave and BillionGraves show location of his memorial in Fairview Cemetery.

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