



Photos contributed

Lennox Walker Clemmons and his wife, Eliza. The photograph shows him with a gold service stripe on his left sleeve. The stripes are awarded after six months overseas service. (Source: Kathryn Kalmanson, descendant).

Form 1029 P. ORIGINAL. SHEET No. One

When completed to be mailed by Military Authorities to the Postmaster General, Washington, D. C.

Local Board of the County of Brunswick
State of North Carolina
Southport, N. C.

Date, August 8, 1918

The selected men herein described, having been inducted into military service on August 8, 1918, have this date been entrained for Camp Wadsworth, S. C. (Example Station)

This statement consists of 0 sheets.

Order No.	Serial No.	NAME.	Call No.	Primary Industry.	Classification.					Fitted to report to Military Authorities.	
					I	II	III	IV	V		
350	712	Darwood Clemmons	✓	974	Machinist	A					
644	1027	C. Foster Thomas	✓	"	Boat man	A					
699	310	Graham C. Kelly	✓	"	Farmer	E					
704	569	Lawrence B. Smith	✓	"	Farmer	E					
731	628	W. A. Hewett	✓	"	Laborer	A					
752	1111	Sam. J. Frink	✓	"	Farmer	E					
651	579	Julius H. Clemmons	✓	582 761	Farmer	E					
935	277	George Leonard Skipper	✓	"	Farmer	A					
944	1085	Jamney Stanley	✓	"	Farmer	A					
968	733	David Duncan Beck	✓	"	Farmer	A					
981	1100	Jacob Maderson King	✓	"	Farmer	A					
1011	632	Benjamin Enock Hewett	✓	"	Farmer	A					
1017	651	Leonix Walter Hewett	✓	"	Farmer	E					

Lists of men ordered to report to local board for military duty 1917-1918. Walker's name was typed incorrectly on the Brunswick County Board List except as shown (Leonix Walker Hewett).

Form 1 REGISTRATION CARD No. 95

1 Name (Given name) *Lennox Walker Clemmons* (Family name) *Clemmons* Age, in yrs. *25*

2 Home address (No.) *Supply* (Street) (City) *Supply* (State) *N.C.*

3 Date of birth (Month) *May* (Day) *9* (Year) *1892*

Lennox Walker Clemmons WWI Draft Registration card.

136.	TIFFANY JAY	PVT	312	MRS ADA TIFFANY	MOTHER	HUDSON N Y
	496382			MD ENG TONSILLITIS CHR (B)		
137.	CLEMMONS LENNOX	PVT	2	MRS EMMA CLEMMONS	MOTHER	SUPPLY N C
	4241609			CAS BRONCHITIS CHR (D)		
138.	TATE ROBERT E	PVT	B	MR D A TATE	FATHER	DALLAS TEX
	1449888 1449896		111 MP	GSW HEMOTHORAX LEFT (D)		

U.S. Army Transport Service passenger lists 1910-1939.

WWI Profile: Pvt. Lennox Walker Clemmons 1892-1980

BY NORMA ECKARD

Lennox Walker Clemmons was born and raised in Lockwood Folly in Brunswick County. There is a family tree in Family Search.

Walker's father passed away in 1911, leaving his mother to raise many children alone. When Walker registered for the World War I draft, he indicated he was 25, single, farming for his mother and partly responsible for her. It appears he was the oldest son living at home at the time.

He was ordered to report for military duty on Aug. 7, 1918.

Walker's name was typed incorrectly on the Brunswick County Board List as Leonix Walker Hewett. The handwritten name on his WWI Draft Registration shows why his name was misspelled as Leonix. And the typewritten Brunswick County Board List was likely typed incorrectly because the name above Walker's had the last name of Hewett.

There are three methods to verify this is Lennox Walker Clemmons:

1) An excerpt from his WWI Draft Registration has been edited to highlight the handwritten number on the top left of the card, "651." This can be matched with the highlighted typed number on the Brunswick County Board List.

2) The second method is using compiled alphabetical county board lists located in the state archives. "Leonix W. Clemmons from Supply" is listed.

3) These dates can be seen on his N.C. WWI Service Card.

Pvt. Clemmons trained in Camp Wadsworth, S.C., along with other Brunswick County men listed in Kendrick Outlaw's WWI Profile. He embarked with them for France on Sept. 15, 1918.

As mentioned in Elijah Milliken's WWI Profile, there is no known documentation describing the operations of the 55th Pioneer Infantry. It is also not known whether Pvt. Clemmons transferred to the 81st Division for their final operation. Although his N.C. WWI Service Card does not show he did, it is

not sufficient to discount the possibility.

If Pvt. Clemmons participated in the grueling hike of the 81st Division as described in Craven Ledrew Sellers' WWI Profile post, then it may explain why Pvt. Clemmons returned to the United States on a Convalescent Detachment from Bordeaux, France. He could also have suffered from gas exposure or the influenza pandemic.

It's fortunate that the passenger list provides details for those soldiers returning from France on the Convalescent Detachment of Feb. 20, 1919. Pvt. Clemmons was suffering from chronic bronchitis. He arrived in the U.S. on March 3, 1919, but was not honorably discharged until April 25, indicating he spent some time recuperating before discharge. Still, he was discharged with a 10 percent disability, which explains the (D) rating in the passenger list shown - "unfit for military service."

Walker Clemmons married in early 1920. The 1920 Census shows he was living with his mother, wife and some siblings, working on his mother's farm.

His mother passed away in 1929. A year later, the 1930 Census shows Walker and his family lived in Southport. He was working as a mechanic.

When Walker's first wife passed away, he remarried and settled in the Winston-Salem area.

Lennox Walker Clemmons passed away on Nov. 1, 1980, in Winston-Salem. He was laid to rest in Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Forsyth County, N.C. No indication of military service is shown.

To help honor Lennox Walker Clemmons or another Brunswick County WWI veteran, email the Friends of Fort Caswell Rifle Range at ftcaswellriflerange@gmail.com or go to caswellriflerange.com.

A fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, May 4, from 4 to 9 p.m. at the Caswell Beach Town Public Service Facility Building (fire station) to raise funds for publishing the book of Brunswick County men and women who served in WWI; to continue historic preservation on the rifle range memorial; and

to honor Brunswick County WWI veterans

There will be a dinner, derby and dance with music by Three to Get Ready & Trilogy. Call 278-7584 for tickets and reservations or purchase tickets from Ricky Evans Gallery on Howe Street in Southport.