

# **Richard Burns**

## **1887-1945**

### **World War I**

Richard Burns served in the 438<sup>th</sup> Reserve Labor Battalion of the US Army during World War I. Born in Boston, Georgia, he worked as a railroad laborer prior to his military service. Afterwards, he continued to work as a laborer, working in the citrus industry by 1940. Burns died in 1945 and is buried in the Saint Augustine National Cemetery.

Form 1 1258 **REGISTRATION CARD** No. 749

1	Name in full <i>Richard Burns</i> (Given name) (Family name)	Age in yrs <i>27</i>
2	Home address <i>Carbur Fla</i> (No.) (Street) (City) (State)	
3	Date of birth <i>Apr 2 1888</i> (Month) (Day) (Year)	
4	Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which)? <i>Not Born</i>	
5	Where were you born? <i>Thomasville Ga Usa</i> (Town) (State) (Nation)	
6	If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject?	
7	What is your present trade, occupation, or office? <i>R R Const Laborer</i>	
8	By whom employed? <i>Burton Lumber Co</i>	
9	Where employed? <i>Carbur Fla</i>	
9	Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother under 12, solely dependent on you for support (specify which)? <i>No</i>	
10	Married or single (which)? <i>Single</i>	Race (specify which)? <i>Negro</i>
11	What military service have you had? Rank <i>None</i> ; branch _____ years _____; Nation or State _____	
12	Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)? <i>No</i>	

I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.

*Richard Burns*  
(Signature or mark)

“Richard Burns.” WWI Draft Registration Cards. (Front)  
Burns worked in the railroad industry in Florida.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT			
1	Tall, medium, or short (specify which)?	Med	Slender, medium, or stout (which)?
2	Color of eyes?	Black	Color of hair? Bald?
3	Has person lost arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)?		
no			

I certify that my answers are true, that the person registered has read his own answers, that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

no ex

*[Signature]*  
(Signature of registrar)

Precinct 17

City or County Taylor

State Fla

6/5/17  
(Date of registration)

“Richard Burns.” WWI Draft Registration Cards. (Back)  
Burns registered on June 5, 1917.





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Do4 Burns Richard 2 612 634 White Colored.  
(Surname) (Christian name) (Army serial number)

Residence: Grover Lake FLORIDA  
(Street and house number) (Town or city) (County) (State)

~~Enlisted~~ R. A. N. G. R. N. S. \*Inducted at Perry Fla on May 19, 1918  
Place of birth Houston Ga Age or date of birth: Apr 21 1887

Organizations served in, with dates of assignments and transfers: \_\_\_\_\_  
Co B 433 Reserve Labor Bn to disch

Grades, with date of appointment: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pvt.

Engagements: \_\_\_\_\_

Wounds or other injuries received in action: None.

Served overseas from † No to †, from † to †

Honorably discharged on demobilization Mar 15/19, 19\_\_\_\_

In view of occupation he was, on date of discharge, reported 0 per cent disabled.

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

Form No. 724-1, A. G. O. \*Strike out words not applicable. † Dates of departure from and arrival in the U. S.  
Nov. 22, 1919.

“Richard Burns. WWI Service Card.  
Military Service: May 19, 1918 to March 15, 1919.  
Burns served with the 433<sup>rd</sup> Reserve Labor Battalion.



## Richard Burns

Florida Death Index, 1877-1998

Tools

Affiliate CD Number:	FDI03
Certificate Number:	11202
Volume Number:	1151
Name:	Richard Burns
Event Type:	Death
Event Date:	1945
Event Place:	Columbia, Florida, United States
Gender:	Male
Race:	Black
Affiliate File Name:	FDI03-1945.txt
Affiliate Line Number:	3086

“Richard Burns.” Florida Death Index.  
Burns likely died at the VA Hospital in Lake City, FL.

VA



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of Veterans Affairs  
National Cemetery  
Administration

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of History

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 BURNS RICHARD  
 Pvt Co B 438 Res Lab Bn K  
 Wabasso Indian River Fla A 4 551 520  
 Sn 2 912 634 Died 7/30/45 T 4 384 982  
 Born 4/2/87 R  
 Enl Dia Ct 3 779 985  
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 U. S. VETERANS BUREAU  
 MAIL AND RECORDS  
 Form 7202--Rev. Sept., 1926  
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 INDEX CARD  
 2-12000

“Richard Burns.” VA Master Index.  
 Updated to Report Death on July 30, 1945.



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Interment in the St. Augustine National Cemetery **AUG 20**  
To—The Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

NAME	RANK	COMPANY	REGIMENT OR VESSEL			DIVISION, IF WORLD WAR SOLDIER
			Number	State	Arm	
<u>Burns, Richard</u> <i>23, 2 Apr 87</i>	<u>Pvt.</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>438</u>	<u>Fla</u>	<u>Reserve Labor Bn. Q.M.C.</u>	<u>Latin Cross</u>

DATE OF DEATH			DATE OF INTERMENT			GRAVE MARK		REMARKS Date of discharge and number of Pension Certificate, Disinterments, et
Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year	Section	Grave No.	
<u>June</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>1945</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1945</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>Discharged 15 March 1945. Authority - Telegram from OQMG. 3 July 1945, SPYC 344, Burns, Richard. OQMG. Form 315 returned by authority of next of kin, not accomplished. Explanatory letter attached hereto.</u>

Shipping point for headstones St. Augustine, Florida.

**TATE, GA. OCT 3 11 1945**  
**5974202**

*James V. Dell*  
Superintendent

(See Instructions on Reverse Side)

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“Richard Burns.” Cemetery Interment Control Forms.  
Saint Augustine National Cemetery.



“Richard Burns.” Find a Grave Headstone.  
Saint Augustine National Cemetery.