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Wilbur Franklin Nutting

1918 – 1945

Captain: United States Army

254th Infantry Regiment/ 63rd Infantry Division

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Early Life

No. 5938 <i>Dec 2-23-16</i> FOR THE GROOM		FOR THE BRIDE	
NAME - <i>T. Clifton Nutting</i>	COLOR <i>White</i>	<i>Elsie M. Trucer</i>	COLOR <i>White</i>
RESIDENCE - <i>120 Jay Street, Schenectady</i>	AGE <i>32</i>	<i>487 Bergen Ave. Jersey City, N.J.</i>	AGE <i>27</i>
OCCUPATION - <i>Engineer</i>	NO. OF MARRIAGE <i>1st</i>	<i>At Home</i>	NO. OF MARRIAGE <i>1st</i>
BIRTHPLACE - <i>Watertown, Mass.</i>	WIDOWER -	<i>Flushing, L.I.</i>	WIDOW -
FATHER - <i>Judson H.</i>	DIVORCED -	<i>Jacob</i>	DIVORCED -
BIRTHPLACE - <i>I. O. O.</i>	" WHEN -	<i>N. O. A.</i>	" WHEN -
MOTHER - <i>Phoebe Wilder</i>	" WHERE -	<i>Flourie Leeper</i>	" WHERE -
BIRTHPLACE - <i>England</i>	RELATION	<i>England</i>	RELATION
DATE OF LICENSE <i>Dec. 4, 1915</i>	DATE OF MARRIAGE <i>Dec. 4, 1915</i>	PLACE OF MARRIAGE <i>Schenectady</i>	OFFICIAL <i>B. H. R. Taylor</i>
PROFESSION <i>Clergyman</i>	WITNESS <i>Mrs. B. M. Rudy and Edward H. Menden</i>		

Marriage Records

On December 4, 1915, Wilbur's parents, Thomas Clifton Nutting (32) and Elsie Mae Trucer (27), married in Schenectady, NY. Elsie was from Jersey City, NJ, and Thomas from Schenectady.

Le 4 décembre 1915, à Schenectady (New York), les parents de Wilbur, Thomas Clifton Nutting (32 ans) et Elsie Mae Trucer (27 ans), se sont mariés. Elsie était originaire de Jersey City (New Jersey) et Thomas de Schenectady.

"Marriage Records" database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com, accessed May 28, 2026, entry for Thomas Clifton Nutting.

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/61377/images/004489252_00454?ssrc=&usePUB=true&id=276212

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REGISTRATION CARD				
SERIAL NUMBER	1132		ORDER NUMBER	4031
1	Thomas Clifton Nutting			
2	PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS 113 Langdon Ave Watertown Mass			
3	Age in Years	4	Date of Birth	
	35		May 14 th 1883	
RACE				
5	White	6	Negro	7
	☒		☐	
8	Oriental	9	Indian	10
	☐		☐	
11	Citizen	12	Non-citizen	
	☒		☐	
U. S. CITIZEN				
13	Native Born	14	Naturalized	15
	☒		☐	
16	Citizen by Father's Naturalization Before Registrant's Majority	17	Declarant	18
	☐		☐	
I am not a citizen of the U. S., of what nation are you a citizen or subject?				
PRESENT OCCUPATION				
19	asst. Mgr. Boston Index Card Co			
EMPLOYER'S NAME				
20	Boston Index Card Co			
PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS				
21	113 Purchase Boston Mass			
NEAREST RELATIVE				
22	Name	23	Address	
	Elsie Mae Nutting		113 Langdon Ave Watertown Mass	
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE				
P. M. G. O. Form No. 1 (Red)				
Thomas Clifton Nutting				

WWI Registration Card (front)

On September 12, 1918, Thomas Clifton Nutting, Wilbur's father, registered for the WWI draft. At the time, he was working as an assistant manager at the Boston Index Card Co and named his wife, Elsie, as his nearest relative. They lived in Watertown, MA.

Le 12 septembre 1918, Thomas Clifton Nutting, le père de Wilbur, s'est inscrit à la conscription pour la Première Guerre mondiale. À l'époque, il occupait le poste de directeur adjoint chez Boston Index Card Co. et a désigné son épouse, Elsie, comme sa plus proche parente. Ils vivaient à Watertown (Massachusetts).

"U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918" database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com, accessed May 28, 2026, entry for Thomas Clifton Nutting.

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/6482/images/005216177_05042?ssrc=&usePUB=true&pld=18076087

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REGISTRAR'S REPORT
20-8-3-C

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

HEIGHT			BUILD			COLOR OF EYES	COLOR OF HAIR
Tall	Medium	Short	Slender	Medium	Stout		
21	22 ✓	23	24	25 ✓	26	Brown	Black

23 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, eye, or is he obviously physically disqualified? (Specify.)

No

24 I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Justine Miller
(Signature of Registrar)

Date of Registration *Sept 12 1918*

LOCAL BOARD
DIVISION 31
(STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the area in which the registrant has his permanent home shall be placed in this box.)

63-6171 (OVER)

WWI Registration Card (back)

The back of the registration card provided a physical description of Wilbur's father: Medium height and medium build; he had brown eyes and black hair.

Au dos de la fiche d'enregistrement figurait la description physique du père de Wilbur : de taille et de corpulence moyennes ; il avait les yeux marron et les cheveux noirs.

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1. PLACE OF BIRTH

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS

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County of Middlesex

City or Town of Watertown No. 113 Langdon Ave. St. _____ Ward _____
(If birth occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)

2. FULL NAME OF CHILD Wilbur Franklin Nutting (If child is not yet named, make supplemental report, as directed)

3. Sex of Child M 4. Twin, triplet, or other? _____ 4a. Number in order of birth _____ 5. Born alive or stillborn Alive 6. Date of birth Sept. 20, 1918
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7. FULL NAME T. Clifton Nutting FATHER 8. FULL MAIDEN NAME Elsie May Tracer MOTHER

9. RESIDENCE No. 113 Langdon Ave. St. _____
Watertown
(City or Town) 10. RESIDENCE No. 113 Langdon Ave. St. _____
Watertown
(City or Town)

11. COLOR M 12. AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 35 (Years) 13. COLOR W 14. AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 27 (Years)

15. BIRTHPLACE Watertown Mass. (City or Town) (State or Country) 16. BIRTHPLACE Brooklyn N.Y. (City or Town) (State or Country)

17. OCCUPATION Manager 18. OCCUPATION Housewife

19. Attendant at birth F. A. Higginbotham Physician
(Name) (Physician, Midwife, Father, or other)
Address No. 112 Mt. Auburn St. Watertown
(City or Town)
Dated _____ (Month) (Day) (Year) Did above-named personally attend the birth Yes

20. This return was received at office of city or town clerk on Sept. 21 1918
(Month) (Day) (Year)
Wm. P. McQuinn REGISTRAR

21. Given name added from a supplemental report
(Month) (Day) (Year)

REGISTRAR

Massachusetts Vital Records

Wilbur Franklin Nutting was born September 20, 1918, in Watertown, Middlesex County, MA, just 8 days after his father's registration for WWI.

Wilbur Franklin Nutting est né le 20 septembre 1918 à Watertown, dans le comté de Middlesex (Massachusetts), 8 jours seulement après que son père fut inscrit à la conscription pour la Première Guerre mondiale.

"Massachusetts, State Vital Records, 1638-1927", database *FamilySearch* (Familysearch.com: accessed May 28, 2026), entry for Wilbur Franklin Nutting and T Clifton Nutting, 20 Sep 1918.

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QLKG-3GPM>

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STATE <u>Massachusetts</u>		DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—BUREAU OF THE CENSUS		117 (D1-578)		SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICT No. <u>140</u>		SHEET No. <u>4</u>				
COUNTY <u>Middlesex</u>		FOURTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1920—POPULATION						ENUMERATION DISTRICT No. <u>511</u>		A		
TOWNSHIP OR OTHER DIVISION OF COUNTY <u>Watertown</u>		NAME OF INCORPORATED PLACE <u>Watertown</u>						WARD OF CITY <u>Watertown</u>				
NAME OF INSTITUTION		ENUMERATED BY ME ON THE <u>7th</u> DAY OF <u>January</u> , 1920.						SIGNED <u>E. G. Goudy</u>		ENUMERATOR		
PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME	RELATION	SEX	AGE	MARRIAGE	CITIZENSHIP	EDUCATION	NATIVITY AND MOTHER TONGUE				OCCUPATION
								FATHER	MOTHER	FATHER	MOTHER	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
278 54 83	Wilbur, Thomas	head	M	15	1904	U.S.	8	England	England	England	England	laborer
	Mary	wife	F	15	1904	U.S.	8	England	England	England	England	none
	Mullaly, Patrick	brother	M	23	1896	U.S.	8	Ireland	Ireland	Ireland	Ireland	laborer
279 55 84	Coen, John	head	M	60	1859	U.S.	8	Ireland	Ireland	English	English	laborer
	Mary	wife	F	60	1859	U.S.	8	Ireland	Ireland	English	English	laborer
	Peter	son	M	28	1891	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Ireland	English	English	clerk
	Mary	daughter	F	26	1893	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Ireland	English	English	seamstress
	John	son	M	24	1895	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Ireland	English	English	seamstress
	Joseph	son	M	21	1898	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Ireland	English	English	seamstress
	Margaret	daughter	F	19	1900	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Ireland	English	English	seamstress
285 85	Byrne, Michael	head	M	59	1860	U.S.	8	Canada	English	Canada	English	laborer
	Julia	wife	F	57	1862	U.S.	8	Ireland	English	Ireland	English	none
	Mary M.	daughter	F	22	1897	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Canada	English	English	seamstress
	John	son	M	21	1898	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Canada	English	English	clerk
	Joseph	son	M	19	1900	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Canada	English	English	laborer
	Elizabeth	daughter	F	17	1902	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Canada	English	English	none
	Robert	son	M	13	1906	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Canada	English	English	none
	Catherine	daughter	F	12	1907	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Canada	English	English	none
287 55 86	Butler, Fred	head	M	26	1893	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	shipper
	Emily	wife	F	27	1894	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
289 56 87	Gray, James	head	M	57	1862	U.S.	8	Canada	not known	not known	not known	mechanic
	Anne	wife	F	57	1862	U.S.	8	Canada	English	English	English	none
	George	son	M	31	1887	U.S.	8	Canada	English	English	English	seamstress
194 57 88	Langford, C. J.	head	M	59	1868	U.S.	8	Canada	English	Canada	English	seamstress
	Alice	wife	F	59	1868	U.S.	8	Canada	English	Canada	English	none
	John	son	M	27	1891	U.S.	8	England	English	England	English	laborer
	Mary	daughter	F	24	1894	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	England	England	English	seamstress
21 58 89	Barry, Charles E.	head	M	27	1892	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
	Margaret E.	wife	F	23	1897	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
21 58 90	Honahan, J. J.	head	M	52	1867	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
	Mary	wife	F	40	1877	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
25 59 91	Shad, Joseph	head	M	52	1867	U.S.	8	England	English	England	English	clerk
	Mary	wife	F	45	1872	U.S.	8	England	English	England	English	none
	Richard	son	M	22	1897	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	England	England	English	seamstress
	Anna	daughter	F	20	1899	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	England	England	English	none
	John	son	M	17	1902	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	England	England	English	none
26 60 42	Kelly, James M.	head	M	37	1882	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
	Mary	wife	F	37	1882	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
	Catherine	daughter	F	14	1896	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
232 61 93	Wilson, J. S.	head	M	50	1869	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
	L. H.	wife	F	42	1876	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
	James E.	son	M	27	1892	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
	Emily E.	daughter	F	25	1894	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
	William	son	M	23	1896	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
219 62 95	Nutting, William	head	M	35	1884	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
	Elsie	wife	F	31	1888	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
	Wilbur	son	M	15	1904	U.S.	8	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts	none
246 62 96	Duncan, Mary	head	F	55	1864	U.S.	8	Canada	English	Canada	English	manager

1920 Federal Census

In 1920, Wilbur, aged 15 months, lived with his parents, T. Clifton and Elsie, in Watertown, MA. The family rented their house. Clifton managed a card index company while Elsie cared for her young son and their home.

En 1920, Wilbur, âgé de 15 mois, vivait avec ses parents, T. Clifton et Elsie, à Watertown (Massachusetts). La famille louait sa maison. Clifton était manager dans une entreprise spécialisée dans les cartes d'indexation, tandis qu'Elsie s'occupait de son jeune fils et du foyer.

"United States, Census, 1920," database *FamilySearch* (Familysearch.com: accessed May 28, 2026), entry for Wilbur Franklin Nutting.

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MX1V-KJ3?lang=en>

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Newton North 302-1700 h 34 Russell av Tel Newton North 1308-R
"Guy E opr H R Co h 94 Winsor av
"Gwendolyn F Mrs h 32 Russell av
Nolen David G (Elizabeth) ptr h 102 Morse
Noke James C (Mt Auburn Lunch) 605 Mt Auburn bds 54 Prentiss
NOKE SOTIR (Alexandra) (Mt Auburn Press) 602 Mt Auburn h 54 Prentiss
Nolan Alice M clk bds 8 Westland rd
"Angus B private W A bds do
"Daniel J plmbr h 8 Westland rd
"Edward C horseshoer 8 Arsenal h 6 do
"Elizabeth F buyer bds 8 Westland rd
"George W (Blandina S) wood carver h 8 Westland rd
"Grace E bds 8 Westland rd
"James J (Delia) clk h 117 Irving
"John R (Honora) chauff h 7 Elmwood av
"Joseph J (Fannie) P O clk h 39 Eliot
NONANTUM COAL CO 13 Main
Tel Newton North 81 and 827
Washington Newtonville Tel Newton North 282 See right bottom lines
"Glove Cleansing Establishment (Margaret T Cahill) 97 Union
Noon Frank (Frances N) Sergt W A h do
Noonan Jack fore 99 Spring bds 22 Palfrey
"Michael J (Margaret E) leading-mn h 147 Langdon av
Norbury James (Adelaide J) sales h 33 Paul
"James E sales bds 33 Paul
Norcross Abner (Sarah) ptrnmkr h 89 Morse
"Alice I tchr h 90 Russell av
"Chester G (Lillian) garage h 89 Morse
"Harriet H tchr bds 90 Russell av
"Ida E hkpr 90 Russell av
"Wm W (Nellie A) fore W & P Mfg Co h 39 Spruce
"Wm W jr (Grace S) town auditor office Town Hall h 39 Spruce
Norman Henry auto rpr 12 Watertown bds 14 School
Norby Eric H (Mildred J) mgr h 9 Langdon av
Norris Willard A (Jennie B) archt h 35 Coolidge Hill rd
Norris Alfred (Nellie T) lab h 23 Green
"Israel Thomas (Sarah J) clk W & P Mfg Co h 148 Cypress
"Jethro J (Bessie) watchmn h 60 Mt Auburn
"Mabel clk bds 60 Mt Auburn
"Thomas lab bds 60 Mt Auburn
"Wm I (Mary R) chauff L C Asson h 77 Dexter av
"Wm H (Margaret M) cond h 148 Cypress
Norro Eugene opr Aetna Mills h at Newton
Norstun Henry G private W A b do
Northup Ellery R ptr h 98 Spruce
Norton Edmond H clk bds 24 Concord rd
"Henry D jr (Alice B) sales h 24 Commonwealth rd
"Jackie mach bds 211 Orchard
"Joseph P (Ellen H) sta agt h 24 Concord rd
"Raymond collr bds 185 Palfrey
Nottage Charles L bds 108 Marshall
Noyes Albion P (Sarah M) crane opr bds 59 Union

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"Alpheus P herb compounder bds 22 Mt Auburn
"Clifford A (Gladys L) trainmn h 10 Belmont
"Frank J (Gertrude M) evangelist h 22 Mt Auburn
"Howard R private W A bds do
"Mary A wid George L died July 11 1920
"Ogden M clk bds 22 Mt Auburn
"Ruth H clk bds 22 Mt Auburn
Nugent Joseph M (Julia) opr H R Co h 43 Waltham
Nunan Elisha F (Eleanor P) acct h 15 Spruce
Nute Leslie (Violet) mach h 24 Howard
Nutter George J private W A bds do
Nutting Andrew F (Phebe) mach h 204 N Beacon
"T Clifton (Elsie) sales h 218 N Beacon
Nuzzo Louis V opr H R Co h 38 Crawford
Nye Chester L (Edith R) sales h 198 Maplewood
"Ida E finisher bds 52 Parker
Nystrom John F rubberwkr h 154 Langdon av
"Myron C (Greta) mach h 36 Gilbert
Oakley Country Club David Brockie mgr 410 Belmont
Oates Bernard M (Mary J) clk bds 24 Thurston rd
"Bridget wid Patrick bds 12 Dartmouth
"Edward A shipper H R Co bds 12 Dartmouth
"James M (Lucy) lawyer 60 Main h 21 Elliot
"John P (Mary A) opr H R Co h 14 Dartmouth
"Mary A checker b 12 Dartmouth
"Walter J (Esther) fore H R Co h 12 Dartmouth

Oates

"Wm F (Marguerite J) bkpr h 12 Dartmouth
Oatley Irene opr H R Co b 24 Dexter av
"Warren A lab bds 24 Dexter av
O'Brien Alfred M rem to Newton
"Alice clk bds 203 Orchard
"Alice L insp H R Co bds 17 Dartmouth
"Anna J sten bds 23 Lexington
"Bridget wid John h 42 Greenville rd
"Catherine F opr bds 23 Lexington
"David W sales 19 Brook bds at Hopkinton
"Delia wid Thomas bds 15 Oakland
"Dennis F (Helen G) ptr h 109 Boyd
"Edward A clk bds 395 School
"Elizabeth E shirtmkr b 128 Summer
"Elizabeth E fore 464 Arsenal bds 75 Carroll
"Etta A wid John P h 48 Commonwealth av
"Eugene M farmhand b 75 Carroll
"Frank W (Margaret B) com trav h 182 Church
"George A (Addie M) elect h 110 School
"Hannah wid James died Mar 16 1920
"James M appr bds 174 Spruce
"John died Apr 3 1921
"John J (Hannah) market gard 89 Lowell av h do
"John R opr bds 23 Lexington
"Joseph A (Alice L) mach H R Co h 17 Dartmouth
"Joseph M (Theresa A) mach h 174 Spruce
"Julia wid John J h 11 Pleasant
"Katherine clk H R Co bds 17 Dartmouth
"Katherine F mlnr 29 Centre b do
"Laurence M chauff H R Co bds 64 Forest
"Margaret opr h 21 Church Hill

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1921 City Directory

In 1921, the Nutting family lived on 218 N. Beacon, in Watertown, MA, just a few houses from the paternal grandparents, George and Phebe Nutting. Clifton, his father, worked in sales.

En 1921, la famille Nutting habitait au 218 N. Beacon, à Watertown (Massachusetts), à quelques maisons seulement des grands-parents paternels, George et Phebe Nutting. Clifton, le père de Wilbur, travaillait dans la vente.

"City Directories, 1822-1995," database, *Ancestry* (Ancestry.com, accessed May 30, 2026), entry for T Clifton Nutting.

<https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2469/images/11351328?ssrc=&usePUB=true&pld=613620403>

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Name <i>Nutting, Thomas Clifton</i>			
Residence <i>Watertown</i>	Occupation <i>Manager</i>	Nativity <i>Watertown</i> <i>1883-5-14</i>	
Lodge <i>Pequossette</i>	Initiated <i>1920-4-10</i>	Passed <i>1922-9-16</i>	Raised <i>1922-10-14</i>
Membership <i>1922-10-14</i>	Dim. Sus. Dis.	Reinstated	Deceased
Remarks <i>Suspended by Grand Lodge 1935-6-12</i>			

Mason Membership Card

In 1922, Clifton Nutting, Wilbur's father, became a member of Watertown's Masonic Lodge after 2 years of initiation. The Grand Lodge suspended him in 1935.

En 1922, Clifton Nutting, le père de Wilbur, devint membre de la loge maçonnique de Watertown après deux ans d'initiation. La Grande Loge le suspendit en 1935.

"Massachusetts, U.S., Mason Membership Cards, 1733-1990," database, *Ancestry* (Ancestry.com, accessed May 30, 2026), entry for T Clifton Nutting.

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/5061/images/41264_B132582-06695?ssrc=&usePUB=true&pld=229364

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Form 12-4
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE-BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
FIFTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1930
POPULATION SCHEDULE

State New Jersey Incorporated place Elizabeth City Enumeration District No. 20-64 Sheet No. 254
County Union Ward of city 10 Block No. 8 Supervisor's District No. 8
Township or other division of county Elizabeth Unincorporated place Elizabeth Institution Elizabeth Enumerated by me on April 5, 1930, Miss Jennie M. Baggett, S.D.

Serial	Name	Relationship to head of family	Home data	Personal description	Place of birth	Place of birth of each parent	Language spoken at home	Mother tongue (or native language) of foreign born	Citizenship, etc.	Occupation and industry	Employment	Veterans	Remarks				
														Age	Sex	Color	Marital status
1	331 24 24 Brocke Julius G.	Head	0 74,000 6 70	71 11 22 71 24	70 11 22 71 24	Germany	German	German	1871	Accountant	1662	71	1				
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1930 Federal Census

By 1930, the Nutting family had settled in Elizabeth, NJ, just across the Newark Bay from Jersey City, where Elsie was born. Clifford worked as a traveling salesman for an office equipment company, while Elsie managed the household. The family rented their home for \$70 a month; 11-year-old Wilbur attended school.

En 1930, la famille Nutting s'était installée à Elizabeth (New Jersey), juste en face de Jersey City, de l'autre côté de la baie de Newark, où Elsie était née. Clifford travaillait comme représentant commercial pour une entreprise de matériel de bureau, tandis qu'Elsie s'occupait du foyer. La famille louait sa maison pour 70 dollars par mois ; Wilbur, âgé de 11 ans, allait à l'école.

"United States, Census, 1930," database *FamilySearch* (Familysearch.com: accessed May 28, 2026), entry for Wilbur Nutting.

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:X4F1-GSL?lang=en>

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SCOUTS HOLD COURT OF HONOR

Judge Hutchins
Presides

Court of honor for the Orlando district of Boy Scouts was held last night at the courthouse. Judge Victor Hutchins, chairman of the honor court committee presiding.

Scouts who passed to second class rank were Harold Neff, Marion Ellis and David Brickley of Troop 36, Pine Castle; Raymond Shepherd, Ben Hill Lawson and H. G. Tubb of Troop 46 Winter Garden.

FIRST CLASS SCOUTS

Promotion from second to first class included William Bixby Orlando 33; Leroy Cross, Kenneth Altin and Eugene Cappleman, Winter Garden 66; and Wallace Averill Orlando 55.

John Bunning, Orlando 21, John Britt and Raymond Hogue, Orlando 22; Bob Petrie, Orlando 28; Herbert Ingley and Robert Kime, Orlando 29; and John Hensen, Winter Park 22; received star rank.

Life rank was given Clifford Haughton, Jr., of Orlando troop 22

MERIT BADGES

Those receiving merit badges were Minter J. Westfall, jr., automobiling; Bob Petrie and John Hansen, basketry; Robert Kime, Ira Adams, William J. Richards, Warren Parker, Wilbur Nutting, Carl Langford and Homer Foster, bird study...

...Cooking: Jerome Serros, Doyle Barnold, jr., and Wilbur Nutting,,,

...Handicraft: Jerome C. Serros, Bill Terhune, Doyle Darnold, jr., Wilbur Nutting and Valmore Ward...

Transcription of an article from *The Orlando Sentinel*

In 1938, as a Boy Scout in Orlando, FL, Wilbur earned several merit badges, including bird study, cooking, and handicraft, demonstrating his wide-ranging skills and active participation in scouting.

En 1938, alors qu'il était scout à Orlando (Floride), Wilbur a obtenu plusieurs insignes de mérite, notamment en ornithologie, en cuisine et en travaux manuels, démontrant ainsi ses multiples talents et son engagement dans le scoutisme.

"Scouts hold Court of honor," *The Orlando Sentinel*, (Orlando, FL) Jul 29, 1938, Newspapers.com.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
SIXTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1940
POPULATION SCHEDULE 201
Enumerated by Laura S. Hunter Enumerator.

PERIODS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER—EXPIRMENT STATUS

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1940 Federal Census

By 1940, the Nutting family had settled in Orlando, FL, at 317 Minnesota Ave. in what is now in Winter Park. According to the census, they had been living in the same house since 1935. Wilbur's father had a new job working as an office equipment salesman. A sign of the lingering effects of the Great Depression, he had been unemployed for 52 weeks, earning no income in 1939. Elsie took care of the household, while 21-year-old Wilbur attended his third year of college.

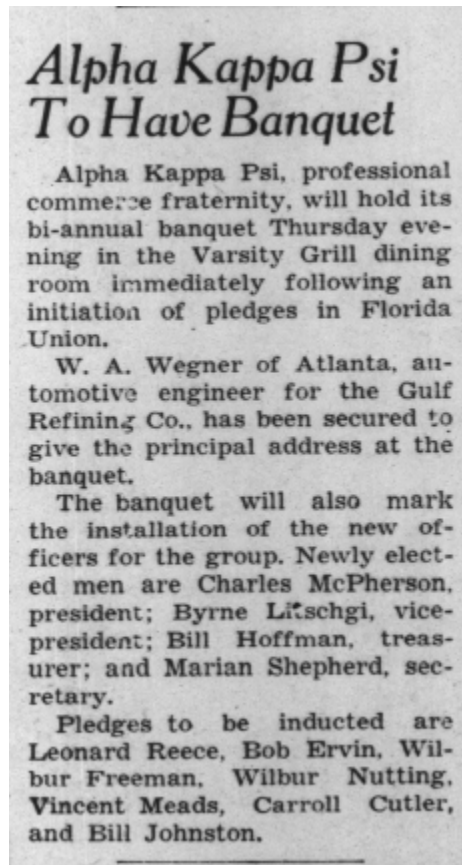
En 1940, la famille Nutting s'était installée à Orlando (Floride), au 317 Minnesota Avenue, aujourd'hui situé à Winter Park. D'après le recensement, ils vivaient dans la même maison depuis 1935. Le père de Wilbur avait trouvé un nouvel emploi comme vendeur de matériel de bureau. Signe des effets persistants de la Grande Dépression, il avait été au chômage pendant 52 semaines et n'avait perçu aucun revenu en 1939. Elsie s'occupait du foyer, tandis que Wilbur, âgé de 21 ans, était en troisième année d'université.

"United States, Census, 1940," database *FamilySearch* (Familysearch.com: accessed May 28, 2026), entry for Wilbur Nutting.

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Article from *The Florida Alligator*

In April 1940, Wilbur joined the Alpha Kappa Psi, a business fraternity at the University of Florida, taking his pledge during the biannual banquet.

En avril 1940, Wilbur a rejoint l'Alpha Kappa Psi, une fraternité d'étudiants en commerce de l'université de Floride, et a prêté serment lors du banquet semestriel.

"Alpha Kappa Psi To Have Banquet," *The Florida Alligator* (Gainesville, FL), April 17, 1940, University of Florida Digital Collection, George A. Smathers Libraries, accessed May 30, 2026, entry Wilbur Nutting. We wish to thank the UF librarians for their assistance in telling Wilbur Nutting's story.

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Early Life

Orlando Youth Hurt In DeLand Wreck

Deland. Wilbur Nutting 22 a University of Florida student and son of Mrs. Elsie Nutting of Orlando received a painful gash on his forehead here Friday night in an automobile crash.

Nutting was riding in a machine driven by J.F. Tart of Osteen when the vehicle crashed into a tree at the south city limits. Tart received only a few minor facial cuts for which he received first aid in the Deland Memorial Hospital. Nutting was spending the night in the hospital having lost considerable blood. The forehead gash required several stitches.

The youth had been hitchhiking from the University at Gainesville home for the week-end and had been given a ride by Tart only a few minutes before the crash occurred. State Road patrolman Tony Masseda investigated.

Transcription of an article from *The Orlando Sentinel*

On October 25, 1940, Wilbur suffered serious injuries in a car accident while hitchhiking from the University of Florida in Gainesville to Orlando for a weekend visit. He spent the night at Deland Memorial Hospital, receiving treatment for a gash on his forehead and significant blood loss.

Le 25 octobre 1940, Wilbur a été grièvement blessé dans un accident de voiture alors qu'il faisait de l'auto-stop entre l'université de Floride, à Gainesville, et Orlando, où il se rendait pour passer le week-end. Il a passé la nuit au Deland Memorial Hospital, où il a été soigné pour une entaille au front et une perte de sang importante.

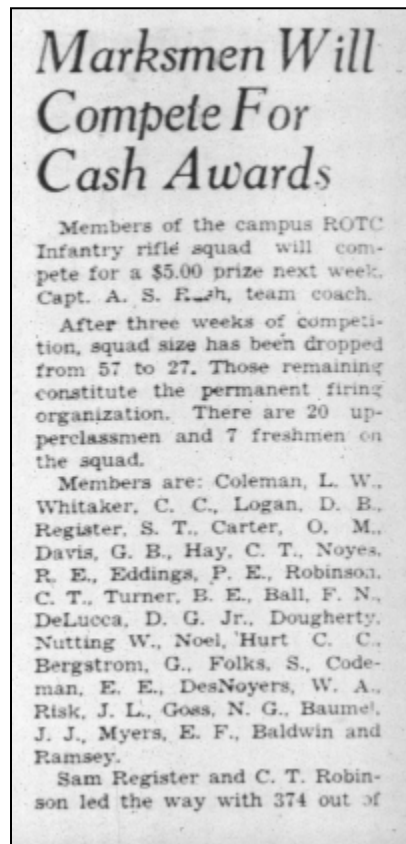
"Orlando Youth Hurt In DeLand Wreck," *The Orlando Sentinel* (Orlando, FL), October 26, 1940, Newspapers.com.

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Excerpt of an Article from *The Florida Alligator*

In November 1940, Wilbur, a Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) cadet, entered a marksmanship competition for a \$5 cash prize. After 3 weeks, he remained among the 27 finalists out of the original 57 participants, earning a place in the unit's "permanent firing organization."

En novembre 1940, Wilbur, alors élève-officier du Corps de formation des officiers de réserve (ROTC), s'inscrivit à un concours de tir dont le prix était de 5 dollars. Au bout de 3 semaines, il figurait toujours parmi les 27 finalistes sur les 57 participants initiaux, ce qui lui valut d'intégrer la « section de tir permanente » de l'unité.

"Marksmen Will Compete For Cash Wards," *The Florida Alligator* (Gainesville, FL), November 27, 1940, University of Florida Digital Collection, George A. Smathers Libraries, accessed May 30, 2026, entry Wilbur Nutting. We wish to thank the UF librarians for their assistance in telling Wilbur Nutting's story.

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Early Life

Rank Announced Of Junior Class Infantrymen

First Battalion Appointments Revealed

Announcement of junior infantry officers, First battalion, came yesterday from Col. S. R. Hopkins, P.M.S. & T., at this University.

Capt. A. S. Rush, infantry instructor for juniors, stated all appointments were based on scholarship, displayed leadership, and ability to command and drill.

JUDGING BASIS

A judging board consisting of senior infantry instructor Lt. Col. M. R. Halloran, Lt. Col. R. L. Ring and Capt. Rush graded the juniors on drill and command, which counted 40 percent of their total rating. The remaining 60 percent was taken on a basis of scholarship.

APPOINTMENTS

First Infantry battalion officers, Companies A, B, and C, are as follows:

Master sergeant: Dickman, Lyle C.

Sergeant major: Thorpe, Harry R.

First sergeants: Co. A, Vass, George; Co. B, Nutting, W. F.; Co. C, Still, Homer.

Staff sergeants: Co. A, 1st platoon, Frierson, Pete; 2nd, Ryan, Tommy; Co. B, 1st platoon, Matheny, E. G.; 2nd, Michael, J. W.; Co. C, 1st platoon, Turner, Barney; 2nd, Walden, J. H.

Line sergeants: Brandon, W. C., Collins, E. R., Cox, D. M., Flanagan, W. W., Hurt, C. C., Leslie, M. G., McCall, W. W., Mills, E. R., Jr., Metcalf, M., and Walker, D. M., Jr.

Second battalion (Companies E, F, G, and H) appointments will be announced in the next edition of *The Alligator*.

Article from *The Florida Alligator*

In January 1941, Wilbur earned an appointment as first sergeant of Company B in the University of Florida's 1st Infantry Battalion, reflecting his strong performance in scholarship, leadership, command ability, and drill.

En janvier 1941, Wilbur fut nommé premier sergent de la compagnie B du 1er bataillon d'infanterie de l'université de Floride, en reconnaissance de ses excellents résultats scolaires, de son esprit d'initiative, de ses qualités de commandement et de ses compétences en matière d'instruction militaire.

"Rank Announced Of Junior Class Infantrymen," *The Florida Alligator* (Gainesville, FL), January 11, 1941, University of Florida Digital Collection, George A. Smathers Libraries, accessed May 30, 2026, entry Wilbur Nutting. We wish to thank the UF librarians for their assistance in telling Wilbur Nutting's story.

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Early Life

IFC, ROTC Settle Differences On Ball Weekend; Start Ball Rolling

Definite action toward the staging of the 1941 Military Ball weekend was launched late Thursday night following a long and drawn out meeting of the Interfraternity conference at which the two groups co-sponsoring the weekend, the conference and the Military committee representing advanced ROTC men, finally got together on financial arrangements and agreed to proceed in the customary manner.

NOVEL FEATURE

Novel feature that will typify this year's affair, scheduled for the weekend of March 23 and 29, is the limiting of attendance to the ball and other affairs to Florida men and their friends only, it was announced yesterday. In the past, the procedure has been to allow a selected group of outsiders, usually Reserve Officers and ROTC

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Gators To Attend FSCW Religious Conference

Plans for the 1941 College Christian Youth conference to be held in Tallahassee, Feb. 21-23, are well under way, announced Co-chairman Jim Beardsley.

This year's conference will be similar to past ones which have featured many of the nation's outstanding religious leaders.

Speakers of interest to college students have been selected to appear on the program, Beardsley said.

All students interested in attending the meeting at FSCW must see their student pastors, denominational conference representatives, or Jim Beardsley or Frank Conlon for information.

Battery L

Capt. Dickens, Benjamin H., Btry Comdr.; 1st Lts.: Stewart, William C., Second in command; Kaplan, Sherman R., Jones, Kendall R., 2nd Lts.; Boyles, Eugene H., Eckel, Edward F., First Sgt. Fralish, John T.

Battery M

Capt. Witters, Arthur G., Btry Comdr.; 1st Lts.: Rood, Joseph W., Second in command; Thompson, Ford L. Jr., Stephens, William D., 2nd Lts.; Labry, Dan C., Sullivan, Andrew W., First Sgt. Wright, Robert A.

Junior Battery No. 2

Maj. Smoak, Daniel F. Jr., Btry. Comdr.; Capt. Faddock, Fred N., Exec. Off.; 1st Lts.: Cathoun, Aquilla A., Recast. Off.; Finley, Gibson R., Asst. Ex. Off. Mstr. Sgt. Bridges, David W.

INFANTRY REGIMENT

Col. Gaines, Weaver H., Reg. Comdr.; Lt. Col. Waszak, Edwin J., Exec. Off.; Maj. Babb, Howard W., Adj.; Mstr. Sgts.: Dickman, Lyle C., Reg. Sgt. Major (W); Register, Samuel T., Reg. Sgt. Major (Th); Staff Sgts.: McElvey, Stewart D., Color Sgt.; Leslie, Madison C., Color Sgt.

FIRST BATTALION

Maj. McKay, Archie L., Batt. Comdr.; Capt. Stryker, Frank P., Batt. Adj.; Thorpe, Harry R., Sgt. Major.

Company A

Capt. Kurtz, Charles W., Co. Comdr.; 1st Lt. Cone, Charles W., Second in command, 2nd Lts. Hiers, Claude W., Admin. Off.; Lane, Benjamin F., Platoon Leader; Coleman, Lake W., First Sgt. Vass, George T.

Company B

Capt. McLane, Walter F., Co. Comdr.; 1st Lts.: Cone, Julian L. Jr., Second in command; Fly,

Edwin W., Platoon Leader; 2nd Lts.: Gibbons, Sam M., Admin. Off.; Fernandez, Tony, F., First Sgt. Nutting, Wilbur F.

Company C

Capt. Reese, Leonard L. Jr., Co. Comdr.; 1st Lts.: Whitaker, Charles C., Second in command; Zdanzukas, Vincent R., Admin. Off.; 2nd Lt. Crosson, Hugh S.; First Sgt. Still, Homer, E. Jr.

SECOND BATTALION

Maj. Germain, David P., Batt. Comdr.; Capt. Bloom, Harold, Batr. Adj.; Weiss, Donald G., Sgt. Major.

Company E

Capt. Barry, Carey N., Co. Comdr.; 1st Lts.: Knight, Robert J. Jr., Second in command; Godfrey, Elmore M., Platoon Leader; 2nd Lts.: Anderson, George H., Admin. Off.; First Sgt. Butler, William H.

Company F

Capt. Massey, George H., Co. Comdr.; 1st Lts.: Austin, Benton M., Second in command; Bradham, Joseph W., Platoon Leader; 2nd Lts.: Murphree, Charles P., Admin. Off.; First Sgt. Ellis, Arthur P. Jr.

Company G

Capt. Peebles, Russel C. Jr., Co. Comdr.; 1st Lts.: Lyons, Frederic O., Second in command;

OPTOMETRIST



Dr. L. C. COLES
130 East Main St., North

Excerpt of an Article from *The Florida Alligator*

In February 1941, Wilbur served as a sergeant in the University of Florida ROTC's Company B, 1st Battalion and helped launch the annual Military Ball weekend, an event organized jointly by the ROTC and the Inter-Fraternity Conference.

En février 1941, Wilbur, alors sergent au sein de la Compagnie B du 1er bataillon du programme ROTC de l'université de Floride, a contribué à l'organisation du week-end annuel du Bal militaire, un événement conjointement organisé par le ROTC et l'Inter-Fraternity Conference.

"IFC, ROTC Settle Differences On Ball Weekend; Start Ball Rolling," *The Florida Alligator* (Gainesville, FL), February 8, 1941, University of Florida Digital Collection, George A. Smathers Libraries, accessed May 30, 2026, entry Wilbur Nutting. We wish to thank the UF librarians for their assistance in telling Wilbur Nutting's story.

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Excerpt of an Article from *The Florida Alligator*

Thanks to his military skills and leadership abilities in the University of Florida's ROTC program, Wilbur was honored at the "President's Parade" in May 1941.

Grâce à ses compétences militaires et à son esprit de commandement au sein du programme ROTC de l'université de Floride, Wilbur a reçu une distinction lors de la « President's Parade » en mai 1941.

"Over 100 ROTC Awards Given At Annual President's Parade," *The Florida Alligator* (Gainesville, FL), May 3, 1941, University of Florida Digital Collection, George A. Smathers Libraries, accessed May 30, 2026, entry Wilbur Nutting. We wish to thank the UF librarians for their assistance in telling Wilbur Nutting's story.

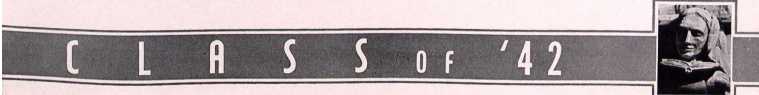
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				NORMAN, J. WM. Gainesville NOYES, RICHARD F. Manatee NUTTING, WILBUR F. Orlando O'HARA, JOHN STEPHEN New Port Richey
				OSTLUND, GRANT J. Miami OTTINGER, GUY E. Lakeland OVERSTREET, J. RALPH BON Havana PAPY, WILLIAM ANDREW, III NKO Miami
				PARTAIN, WILLIAM ARTHUR, III OKT San Mateo PATTERSON, ROBERT YOUNGMAN KX Clewiston PAULSON, JACK CHARLES Gainesville PAYNE, LEONARD OTIS Sebring
				PELTON, DEAN FOX Lakewood, Ohio PENNEY, HARRY ELWOOD, JR. AXA Coral Gables PERT, JUNE LOUISE Mayo PHERIGO, LINDSEY PRICE Miami
				PHILLIPS, SAM D. Lake Worth PIKULA, JOHN V. OKT Fernandina POLLOCK, KENNETH R. Fort Myers POWELL, GILLIS EDWARD Crestview
				POWERS, ALBERT TEO Bayonne, N. J. PRESTON, JAMES DAVID Auburndale PRINGLE, JOE Fort Green PULLARA, ANTHONY LIBERO Tampa
				RADFORD, GEORGE B. OK Cross City RAMSEY, JOHN H., JR. NKO Miami RAWLS, WILLIAM A. Pensacola REES, ALBERT LAMAR, JR. Orlando
				REEVES, WALTER LOUIS Felida REGISTER, SAMUEL TILDEN Tallahassee REIFENTHAL, MARK ROBERT Jacksonville REMINGTON, CHARLES L. SOE Orlando



1941 University of Florida Yearbook

In 1941, Wilbur was a Junior at the University of Florida in Gainesville, FL. He appeared in the Yearbook, the third portrait from the left, second row.

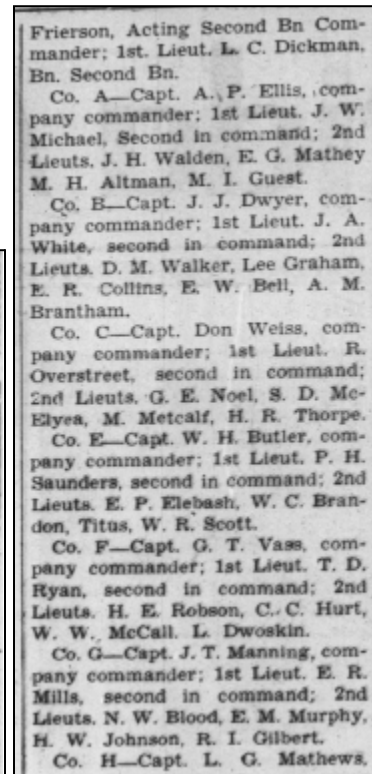
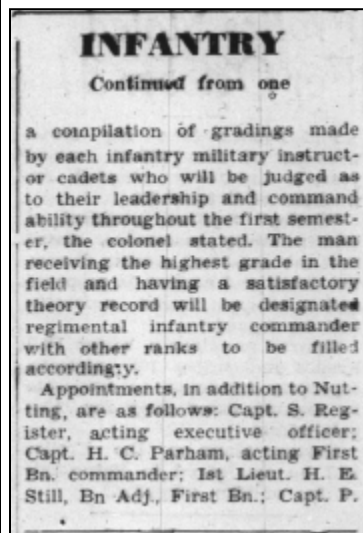
En 1941, Wilbur était en troisième année à l'université de Floride, à Gainesville (Floride). Il figure dans l'album de fin d'année, troisième photo à partir de la gauche, au deuxième rang.

"U.S., School Yearbooks, 1900-2016," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com, accessed May 28, 2026, entry for Wilbur Nutting

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/1265/images/40392_b065351-00077?ssrc=&usePUB=true&pld=246064280

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Article from *The Florida Alligator*

Recognizing his leadership and military promise, the University of Florida ROTC selected Wilbur in September 1941 as regimental register aide, one of several acting officer appointments designed to prepare cadets for future command roles.

Reconnaissant ses qualités de meneur et son potentiel militaire, Wilbur devint aide de camp du régiment dans le cadre du programme de ROTC de l'Université de Floride. C'était l'une des nombreuses fonctions d'officier par intérim destinées à préparer les cadets à assumer de futures responsabilités de commandement.

"Infantry Gets Acting Officer Appointments," *The Florida Alligator* (Gainesville, FL), September 17, 1941, University of Florida Digital Collection, George A. Smathers Libraries, accessed May 30, 2026, entry Wilbur Nutting. We wish to thank the UF librarians for their assistance in telling Wilbur Nutting's story.

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Tampans Get R.O.T.C. Posts at Florida U.

W.E.(sic) Nutting of Orlando Wins Rank of Acting Regimental Commander

Gainesville, Sept 18 (AP). University of Florida military officials today conferred the rank of acting regimental commander, R.O.T.C. infantry regiment, on W. E.(sic) Nutting of Orlando.

Col. S.R. Hopkins, Commander, made the announcement on the recommendation of Lieut. Col. D.P. Yuell, Officer in charge of the infantry.

Temporary appointments to the top rank in the regiment - which six hundred of the 1900 students enrolled for basic military training - were made during organization of the unit. Appointments in the artillery regiments will be made later this week.

Nuting will retain command of the Infantry Regiment during the semester. Permanent appointments in both regiments will be made at the beginning of next semester.

Other top officers announced (all temporary posts) are: Sam Register, Tallahassee, acting executive officer; H.C. Parham, Tampa, acting battalion commander; Homer E. Still, Jacksonville, adjutant; Peter Frierson, New Port Richey, acting battalion commander; J.C. Dickman, Ruskin, adjutant.

Company commanders are A.P. Ellis, Chaires; Don G. Weiss, Jacksonville; G.T. Vass and J.T. Manning, Tampa; L.G. Mathews, Reddick; J.J. Dwyer, Hillside, N. J., and W.T. Butler, Camilla, Ga.

Transcription from an article from the *Tampa Bay Tribune*

In September 1941, military officials selected Wilbur as acting commander of the university's 600-man ROTC infantry regiment, placing him in the highest temporary leadership position and entrusting him with command of the regiment for the semester.

En septembre 1941, les autorités militaires ont nommé Wilbur commandant par intérim du régiment d'infanterie du ROTC de l'université, fort de 600 hommes, lui confiant ainsi le poste de commandement temporaire le plus élevé et le commandement du régiment pour la durée du semestre.

"Tampans Get ROTC Posts at Florida U.," *Tampa Bay Tribune* (Tampa, FL), September 18, 1941, Newspapers.com.

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/333006059/>

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Article from *The Florida Alligator*

In 1941, Wilbur served as Alpha Kappa Psi's treasurer, reflecting his active involvement in campus organizations beyond the ROTC.

En 1941, Wilbur a occupé le poste de trésorier de l'Alpha Kappa Psi, ce qui témoigne de son engagement actif au sein d'associations universitaires au-delà du ROTC.

"Alpha Kappa Psi Plans Big Year," *The Florida Alligator* (Gainesville, FL), September 24, 1941, University of Florida Digital Collection, George A. Smathers Libraries, accessed May 30, 2026, entry Wilbur Nutting. We wish to thank the UF librarians for their assistance in telling Wilbur Nutting's story.

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OFFICERS NAMED FOR FLORIDA R.O.T.C.

GAINESVILLE, Fla., Jan. 26 -

(P) - Six additional major cadet corps appointments have been announced by Col. S.R. Hopkins, commandant of the University of Florida R.O.T.C.

Named cadet colonels were David W. Bridges, Orlando, commanding first artillery regiment; Ted Covington, Jr., Plant City, commanding second field artillery, and Wilbur F. Nutting, Orlando, commanding [third] infantry regiment.

Appointed Lieutenant colonels and executive officers of their regiments were Oliver M. Carter, Jr., Baghdad, First field artillery; Ralph H. Martin, Wilwood, second field artillery, and John T. Manning, Tampa, infantry.

Norman H. Wheelock of Miami recently was named cadet colonel commanding the corps.

Transcription from an article from the *Jacksonville Journal*

In January 1942, the University of Florida ROTC appointed Wilbur to the rank of cadet colonel and placed him in command of an infantry regiment, recognizing his leadership and military abilities.

En janvier 1942, le programme ROTC de l'université de Floride nomma Wilbur au grade de colonel de cadets et lui confia le commandement d'un régiment d'infanterie, reconnaissant ainsi ses qualités de dirigeant et ses compétences militaires.

"Officers Named For Florida ROTC," *Jacksonville Journal* (Jacksonville, FL), January 26, 1942, Newspapers.com

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/1268991500/>

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MAJOR CADETS FOR FLORIDA'S ROTC

Picture

Here are the seven young men just appointed to the major cadet posts in the ROTC at the University of Florida. Seated, left to right: Norman R. Wheelock, Miami, cadet colonel in command of the entire corps; David W. Bridges, Orlando colonel commanding the first field artillery regiment; Edmund B. Covington, Plant City, colonel commanding the second field artillery regiment; Wilbur F. Nutting, Orlando, colonel commanding the infantry regiment. Standing, left to right: the three regimental executive officers, each with the rank of lieutenant colonel; Oliver M. Carter, Bagdad, first field artillery; Ralph H. Martin, Wildwood, second field artillery, and John T. Manning, Tampa, infantry regiment.

Article from *The Daytona Beach News-Journal*

In early 1942, the University of Florida selected Wilbur as Cadet Colonel of the infantry regiment, placing him among the seven senior cadets chosen to lead the school's ROTC units. A photograph illustrated the announcement with Wilbur sitting in the front row, first from the right.

Début 1942, l'université de Floride nomma Wilbur colonel des cadets du régiment d'infanterie, le plaçant ainsi parmi les sept cadets les plus anciens choisis pour diriger les unités du ROTC de l'établissement. Une photographie accompagnait cette annonce, sur laquelle on voyait Wilbur assis au premier rang, premier à droite.

"Major Cadets For Florida's ROTC," *The Daytona Beach News-Journal* (Daytona Beach, FL), January 30, 1942, Newspapers.com.

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Advisory War Unit Is Named

Will Study Proposed Physical Fitness Plan

By ELEANOR CROM

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA, GAINESVILLE, Feb. 7 — (Special) — Preparations for war emergency defense on the campus jumped ahead this week, after a brief holiday and registration which [m]arked the end of the first semester and the beginning of a new period.

Appointment of a student advisory war council was announced early in the week by Charlie Sherman, Avon Park, student body president.

Its first move was to make a series of recommendations to the faculty regarding the physical fitness program soon to be inaugurated. A joint meeting will be held with the faculty Wednesday.

Council Members

Council members, in addition to Sherman, who is chairman, are John Cotton Brown, Miami, editor of the Florida Alligator; Ralph Martin, Wildwood, chancellor of the honor court;

William Norman, Gainesville, secretary-treasurer of the student government; Homer Hooks, Clermont, and Homer Still, Jacksonville, members of the president's cabinet; conference; K C Treadwell, Gainesville, assistant secretary of the interior; Tom Wakefield, Miami, and Ralph Engle, Jr., Coral Gables.

Bill Robinson, Orlando, athletic council president; Wilbur Nutting, Orlando, head of student emergency defense of the dormitories; Clem Croft, Jr., Bradenton, vice president of the inter-fraternity

An open forum will be held Monday night under the sponsorship of Tau Alpha Alpha, national honor speech fraternity, at which both students and faculty will air their views on what physical fitness training should include.

First Aid Classes Set

Next week will see the opening of first aid and property protection classes for dormitory students. Evacuation plans for the dormitories in case of emergency, are also being perfected under Nutting.

Prof. B. J. H. Cotte, chief registrar for the selective service registration at the university, began signing up students this afternoon under the new law which includes boys 20 years of age. Students are being permitted to enter either Gainesville or their home towns as their place of residence. Faculty members are assigned with the registration, which is expected to be completed Monday.

Transcription excerpt from *The Tampa Bay Tribune*

In February 1942, Wilbur took an active role in the University of Florida's wartime preparedness efforts, serving on a student advisory council that helped develop a campus physical fitness program and other civil defense initiatives.

En février 1942, Wilbur a joué un rôle actif dans les efforts de préparation à la guerre menés par l'université de Floride, en siégeant au sein d'un conseil consultatif étudiant chargé de mettre en place un programme de condition physique sur le campus ainsi que d'autres initiatives de défense civile.

"Advisory War Unit is Named," *Tampa Bay Tribune* (Tampa, FL), February 8, 1942, Newspapers.com

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/327645521/>

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Article from *The Florida Alligator*

In February 1942, Cadet Colonel Wilbur Nutting escorted Barbara Morrison from Clewiston to the Florida's annual Military Ball dances and Parade.

En février 1942, le colonel de réserve Wilbur Nutting a accompagné Barbara Morrison de Clewiston au bal militaire annuel et au défilé de Floride.

"Bevy Of Lovelies Are Sponsors At Ball, Parade," *The Florida Alligator* (Gainesville, FL), February, 27, 1942, University of Florida Digital Collection, George A. Smathers Libraries, accessed May 30, 2026, entry Wilbur Nutting. We wish to thank the UF librarians for their assistance in telling Wilbur Nutting's story.

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Picture

GOVERNOR INSPECTS ROTC AT UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

Governor Spessard L. Holland, himself a veteran of the First World War, reviews a guard of honor at the University of Florida, where nearly 1,600 students are currently engaged in basic ROTC and military activities. He is escorted here by Cadet Col. Wilbur F. Nutting of Orlando.

Article from *The Florida Times-Union*

In March 1942, Cadet Colonel Wilbur Nutting escorted Florida Governor Spessard Holland, a World War I veteran, during a review of the University of Florida's honor guard. At the time, 1,600 students participated in ROTC training and other military activities. A picture of Wilbur walking with the governor illustrated this article.

En mars 1942, le colonel de réserve Wilbur Nutting a escorté le gouverneur de Floride Spessard Holland, un ancien combattant de la Première Guerre mondiale, lors d'une revue de la garde d'honneur de l'université de Floride. À l'époque, 1 600 étudiants participaient à la formation du ROTC et à d'autres activités militaires. Une photo de Wilbur marchant aux côtés du gouverneur illustre cet article.

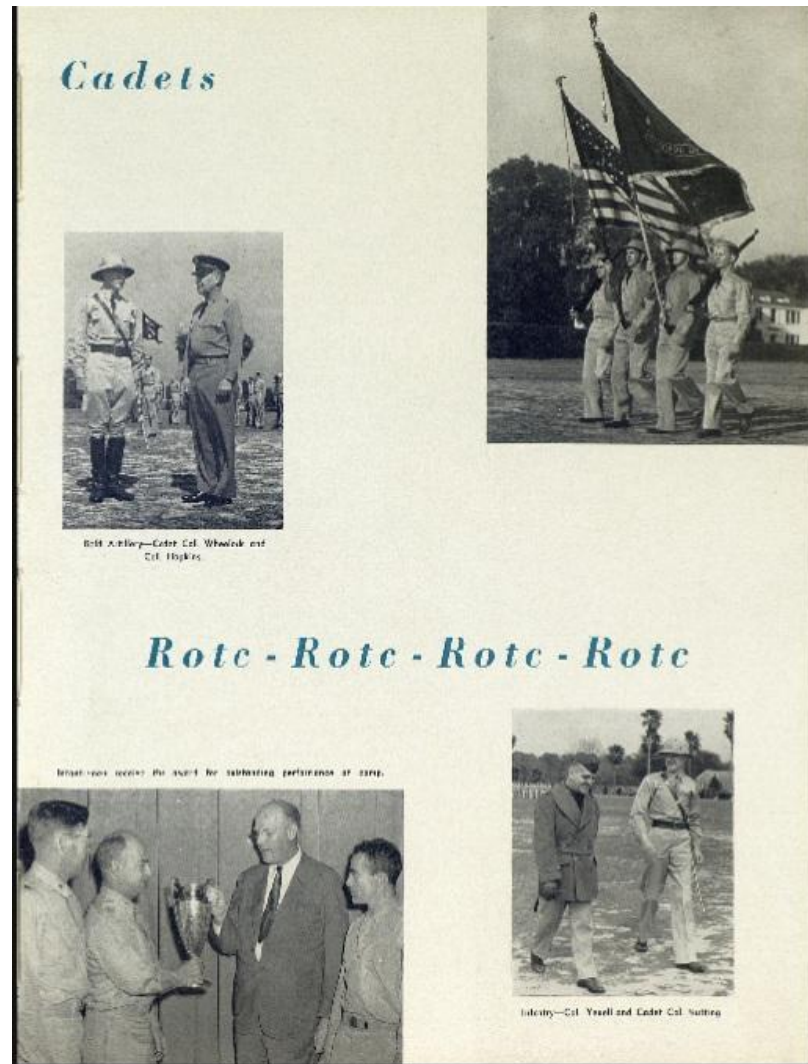
"Governor Inspects ROTC at University of Florida," *The Florida Times-Union* (Jacksonville, FL), Mar 23, 1942, Newspapers.com

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1942 University of Florida Yearbook

The 1942 University of Florida yearbook included a section dedicated to the Army ROTC program. Wilbur appeared in several photos, highlighting his leadership position within the program. On this page, Wilbur can be seen in the lower-right photograph.

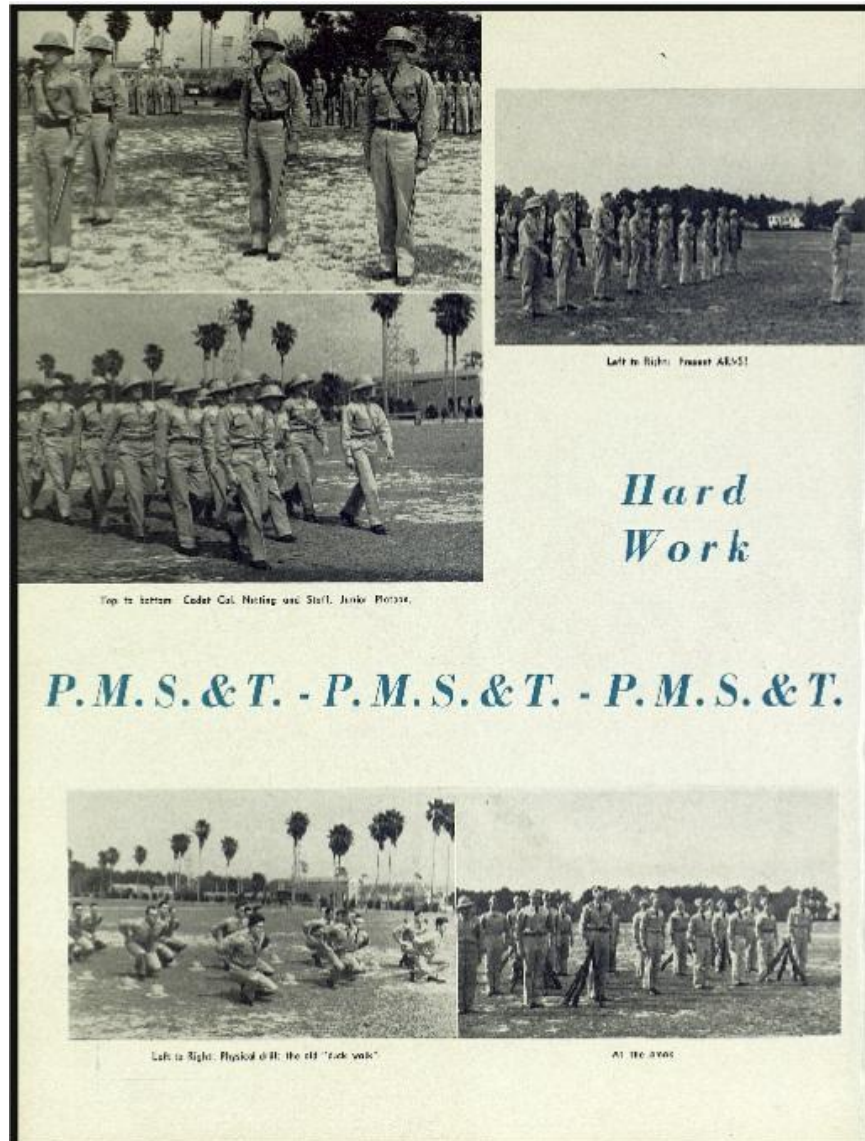
L'annuaire de 1942 de l'université de Floride comprenait une section consacrée au programme ROTC de l'armée. Wilbur figurait sur plusieurs photos, ce qui mettait en évidence son rôle de leader au sein du programme. Sur cette page, on peut voir Wilbur sur la photo en bas à droite.

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1942 University of Florida Yearbook

The upper-left photograph shows Wilbur, serving as Cadet Colonel, standing for an official military review.

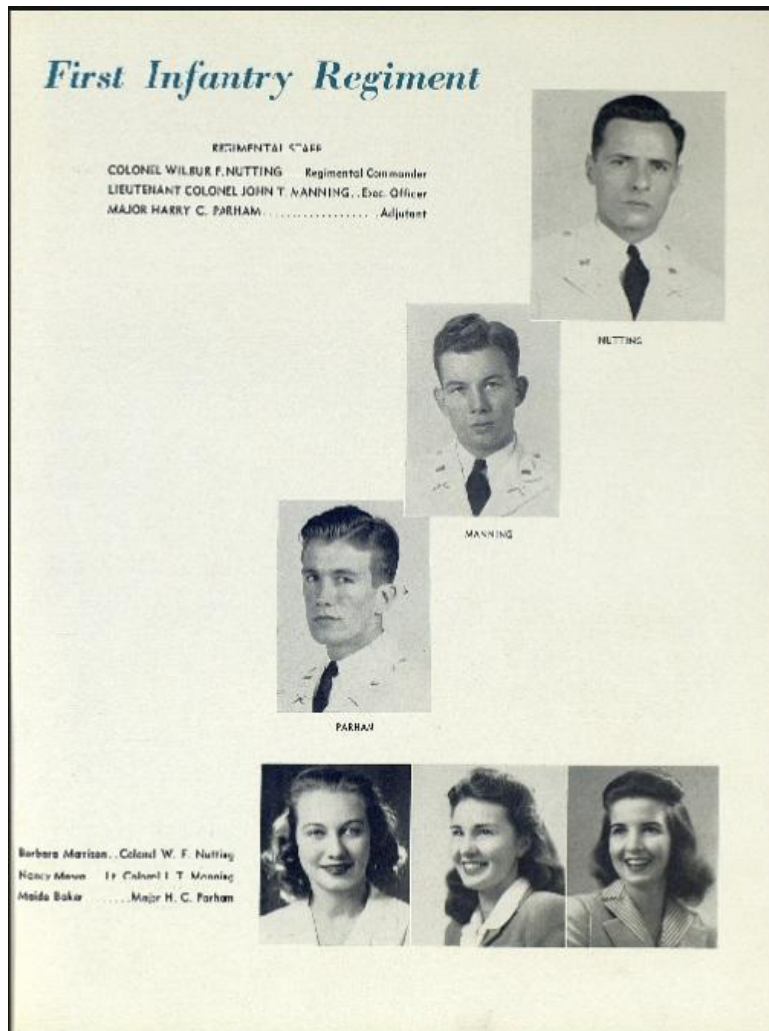
La photo en haut à gauche montre Wilbur, colonel des cadets, debout lors d'une revue militaire officielle.

"P.M.S. & T.," database, *UF Yearbooks Seminole*, Special & Area Studies Collections Department, University of Florida Digital Collection, George A. Smathers Libraries, accessed May 30, 2026, entry Wilbur Nutting. We wish to thank the UF librarians for their assistance in telling Wilbur Nutting's story.

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1942 University of Florida Yearbook

In his senior year at the University of Florida ROTC program, Wilbur, pictured at the top, served as Cadet Colonel and Commander of the 1st Infantry Regiment. For official military and social events, Barbara Morrison accompanied him as his official date.

Au cours de sa dernière année au sein du programme ROTC de l'université de Floride, Wilbur, que l'on voit sur la photo du haut, a occupé les fonctions de colonel des cadets et de commandant du 1er régiment d'infanterie. Lors des événements militaires et mondains officiels, Barbara Morrison l'accompagnait en tant que cavalière officielle.

"Senior Class of the University of Florida," database, *UF Yearbooks Seminole*, Special & Area Studies Collections Department, University of Florida Digital Collection, George A. Smathers Libraries, accessed May 30, 2026, entry Wilbur Nutting. We wish to thank the UF librarians for their assistance in telling Wilbur Nutting's story.

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1942 University of Florida Yearbook

The 1942 University of Florida yearbook listed Wilbur (pictured fourth from the right, second row) as Treasurer of the Alpha Kappa Psi professional business fraternity, reflecting his active involvement in campus leadership and student organizations beyond his prominent role in the ROTC program.

L'annuaire de l'Université de Floride de 1942 mentionnait Wilbur comme trésorier de la fraternité professionnelle Alpha Kappa Psi (quatrième à partir de la droite sur la deuxième rangée), ce qui témoigne de son engagement actif dans la vie associative du campus et au sein des organisations étudiantes, au-delà de son rôle de premier plan au sein du programme ROTC.

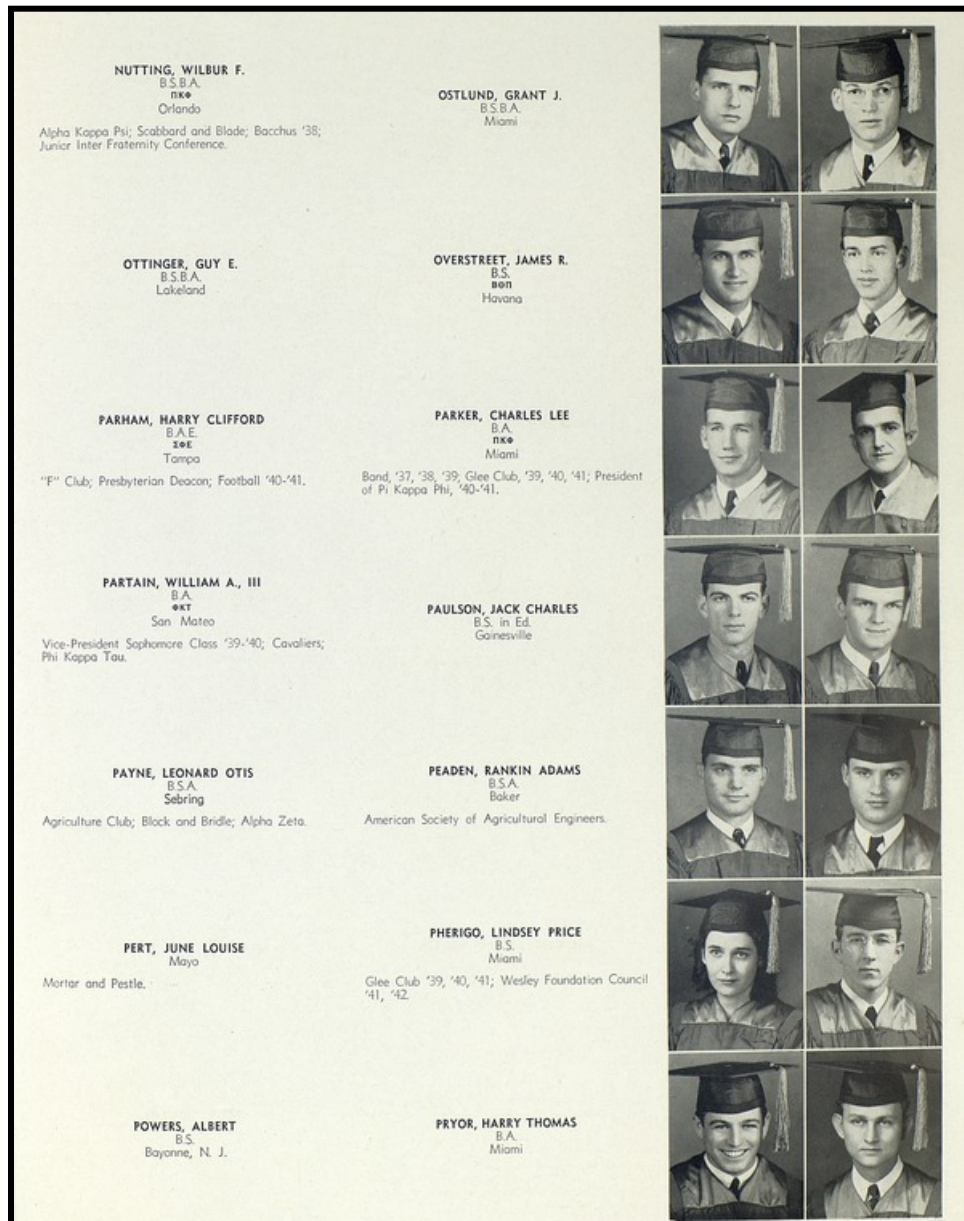
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1942 University of Florida Yearbook

In May 1942, Wilbur graduated from the University of Florida with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.

En mai 1942, Wilbur a obtenu une licence en administration des affaires à l'université de Floride.

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Orlando High Alumni Given Degrees

By Charles Campbell

At the University of Florida in Gainesville on May 25, several Orlando High School alumni received their degrees.

Herbert Arbrey Smith Jr. obtained a Master of Science in Agriculture while Charles High Brokaw and Edgard H. Greenland received a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture.

David William Bridges was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree. Charlie Roy Barmgardner, Wilbur Frankling [sic] Nutting, and Henry Irvin Wells were given a B.S. in Business Administration.

William Bryan Robinson received his B.A. in education and William I. Richards Jr. gained a Bachelor of Industrial Engineering.

On the executive committee were two Orlando boys already mentioned. Bill Bridges and Charlie Brokaw supervised the cap and gown department.

Transcription of an article from *The Orlando Evening Star*

In May 1942, the *Orlando Evening Star* highlighted Wilbur as one of the Orlando High School alumni for his graduation from the University of Florida. When Orlando opened 2 new high schools in 1952, Wilbur's school became Howard Middle School.

En mai 1942, le *Orlando Evening Star* a mis Wilbur à l'honneur parmi les anciens élèves du lycée d'Orlando à l'occasion de l'obtention de son diplôme à l'Université de Floride. Lorsque la ville d'Orlando a ouvert deux nouveaux lycées en 1952, l'établissement de Wilbur est devenu le collège Howard.

Charles Campbell, "Orlando High Alumni Given Degrees," *The Orlando Evening Star* (Orlando, FL), May 29, 1942, Newspapers.com.

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		CLASS III(a)	1782
	CAPTAINS		
1	ANDERSON, Edward P.	✓	16, 1dby acc comm to rank fr 18 June
2	MELROSE, Henry B.	✓	8, 1dby acc comm to rank fr 29 June
	FIRST LIEUTENANTS		
1	BULLARD, Robert F.	✓	1, 1dby acc comm to rank fr 19 June
X 2	COLEMAN, J.D.S.	✓	
X 3	LINDSEY, Lewis O.	✓	
4	PARKER, David M., Jr.	✓	16, 1dby acc comm to rank fr 29 June
5	FERRY, Edwin C.	✓	
6	WINSEMAN, William H.	✓	16, 1dby acc comm to rank fr 23 June
	DETACHED		
	CLASS III(a)		
	SECOND LIEUTENANT		
1	NUTTING, Wilbur F.	✓	20, 1d act d at TFO, MB, Quantico, Va. <i>Deleted by</i> GARLAND FAX, Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps Reserve, District Commander.
	FOOTNOTES		
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US, Marine Corps Muster Rolls, 1798-1958

In July 1942, Wilbur appeared on the muster roll of the General Service Unit, Seventh Reserve District, as Second Lieutenant.

En juillet 1942, Wilbur figurait sur la liste d'appel de l'Unité des services généraux du 7e district de réserve, en qualité de sous-lieutenant.

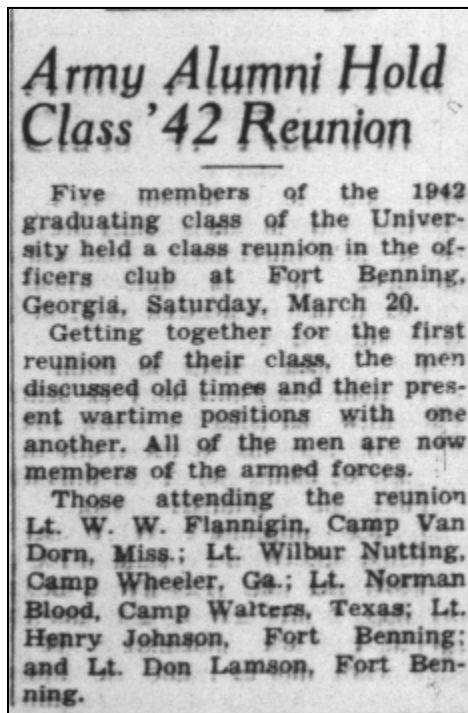
"US, Marine Corps Muster Rolls, 1798-1958," database, *Fold3* (fold3.com, accessed on May 31, 2026), entry Wilbur Nutting.

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Military Service



Article from *The Florida Alligator*

In March 1943, less than a year after his graduation, while Lt. Wilbur Nutting was stationed at Camp Wheeler, GA, he attended his first UF class reunion.

En mars 1943, moins d'un an après avoir obtenu son diplôme, alors qu'il était en poste à Camp Wheeler (Géorgie), le lieutenant Wilbur Nutting a assisté à sa première réunion d'anciens élèves de l'Université de Floride.

"Army Alumni Hold Class'42 Reunion," *The Florida Alligator* (Gainesville, FL), March 26, 1943, University of Florida Digital Collection, George A. Smathers Libraries, accessed May 30, 2026, entry Wilbur Nutting. We wish to thank the UF librarians for their assistance in telling Wilbur Nutting's story.

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Short.. Stories

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First Lt. Wilbur F. Nutting came home Sunday for a few hours to visit with his father, Thomas C. Nutting. His furlough, however, required his almost immediate return to Blanding.

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Transcription of an article from *The Orlando Evening Star*

At the end of June 1943, Wilbur visited his father in Orlando, but quickly returned to Camp Blanding, in Starke, FL, where he was likely stationed at the time.

À la fin du mois de juin 1943, Wilbur rendit visite à son père à Orlando, mais il retourna rapidement au Camp Blanding, à Starke, en Floride, où il était probablement en poste à cette époque.

"Short...Stories," *The Orlando Evening Star* (Orlando, FL), June 28, 1943, Newspapers.com.

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/340893056/>

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Florida Officers Promoted by the Army

Washington [AP] The War Department yesterday announced the following temporary promotion of officers, and orders directing newly appointed officers to proceed from their homes for active duty: Florida -

Captain to Major.

Key West - Julian Richard Lacedonia. Inf., 412 Eaton St.

Live Oak - Ralph Hubert Cox, A. box 505.

First Lt to Capt.

Arcadia - Chesterfield Harvey Smith, FA, 420 E. Hickory St.

Jacksonville - James Cureton Lanier, Jr. MC, 3654 Pine St.

Miami Beach - Donald Edward Baruch, AC, 18 S. Di Lido Island.

Orlando - Wilbur Franklin Nutting, Inf., 1214 Minnesota Ave.

Pensacola - John Irvin Gard, QMC, 1700 W. Peterson St.

Plant City - Eldridge Clair Dudley, Inf., 1041 W. Reynolds St.

Second Lt. to 1st Lt.

Greenville - Charles Nobert Fagan, Jr. AC.

Ordered to active duty.

Daytona Beach - Neill Orlando Crosslin, 1st Lt., MC.

Transcription of an article from *The Orlando Sentinel*

The War Department promoted Wilbur from First Lieutenant to Captain on June 12, 1944.

Le 12 juin 1944, le ministère de la Guerre a promu Wilbur du grade de lieutenant au grade de capitaine.

"Florida Officers Promoted by Army" *The Orlando Sentinel* (Orlando, FL), June 13, 1944, Newspapers.com.

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/340805057/>

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Nugent, Melville A.	Pvt.	HQ	863 FA
Nugent, Melville A.	Pvt.	SV	863 FA
Nugent, Terrance J.	Pfc.	SV	718 FA
Nuhfer, Raymond J.	T/4	H	255 Inf.
Null, Virgil K. (J.)	Pfc.	C	861 FA
Nullmeyer, Harold A.	Pvt.	M	253 Inf.
Nulty, John C.	S/Sgt.	3 Hq.	255 Inf.
Nunalee, James L.	Sgt.	B	861 FA
Nunemacher, Irvin H.	1/Lt.	H	255 Inf.
Nunemacher, Irvin H.	1/Lt.	3 Hq.	255 Inf.
Nunemacher, Irvin H.	1/Lt.	K	255 Inf.
Nunez, Natividad G.	Pfc.	A	254 Inf.
Nunez, Natividad G.	Pfc.	E	254 Inf.
Nunez, Ralph	Pvt.	3 Hq.	253 Inf.
Nunez, Rudolph P.	Pfc.	F	255 Inf.
Nunhart, Frank G. ?	Pfc.	B	254 Inf.
Nunley, John D.	T/5	CN	253 Inf.
Nunley, Roy A.	Pvt.	B	253 Inf.
Nunn, Arthur B., Jr.	2/Lt.	H&S	263 Eng.
Nunn, Arthur B., Jr.	2/Lt.	B	263 Eng.
Nunn, Howard J.	S/Sgt.	E	253 Inf.
Nunn, Max B.	Pfc.	H	253 Inf.
Nunnally,	T/4	AT	255 Inf.
Nunziato, Frank J.	Pvt.	H	253 Inf.
Nurmi, Gustaf W.	1/Lt.	H&S	263 Eng.
Nurrenberg, Charles E., Sr.	Pvt.	D	253 Inf.
Nusbaum, Jesse T.	Pvt.	G	253 Inf.
Nussberger, Hugo	T/4	HQ	363 Med.
Nutschler, Russell J.	Pvt.	B	254 Inf.
Nutt, Glen G.	Pfc.	A	253 Inf.
Nutter, Forrest A.	T/5	M	253 Inf.
Nutter, James T.	Pvt.	K	253 Inf.
Nutter, James T.	Pvt.		254 Inf.
Nutter, Melvin H.	Pfc.	E	255 Inf.
Nutter, Willard N.	T/Sgt.	CN	254 Inf.
Nutter, Willard N.	T/Sgt.	B	862 FA
Nutting, Robert C.	Sgt.	G	255 Inf.
KIA Nutting, Wilbur F.	Capt.	B	254 Inf.
Nyatt, Dan	Pfc.	I	253 Inf.
Nybakke, Virgil (.kka)	Pvt.	E	254 Inf.
Nyberg, Arthur R.	Pfc.	F	254 Inf.
Nye, William G.	Pfc.	H&S	263 Eng.
Nye, William G.	Pfc.	C	263 Eng.
Nyer, Samuel	Pfc.	F	254 Inf.
Nykiel, Theodore J.	Capt.	HQ	63 Div.
Nykodem, Louis	Pvt.	SV	863 FA
Nyland, Laurence E.	Pfc.	L	255 Inf.
Nyland, Lawrence E.	Pfc.	G	255 Inf.
Oakes,		Signal	563
Oakes, Bryan R. (Byron)	Pfc.	B	718 FA
Oakes, Douglas T.	S/Sgt.	A	255 Inf.
Oakes, Edgar A.	Sgt.	B	861 FA
Oakes, Ernest E.	2/Lt.	AT	254 Inf.
Oakes, Richard S.	Pfc.	A	861 FA
Oakes, Samuel H., Jr.	Pfc.	3 Hq.	253 Inf.
Oakes, Samuel H., Jr.	Pfc.	I	253 Inf.
Oakes, Samuel H., Jr.	Pfc.	L	253 Inf.

Alphabetical Roster of the 63rd Infantry Division

The Unit history of the 63rd Infantry Division listed Wilbur Nutting on the division roster, including his rank as Captain, his B Company, and his 254th Infantry Regiment. Before his name, it noted he was killed in Action (KIA).

L'histoire de la 63e division d'infanterie mentionne Wilbur Nutting parmi les effectifs de la division, en précisant son grade de capitaine et son appartenance à la compagnie B du 254e régiment d'infanterie. Devant son nom, il est indiqué qu'il a été tué au combat (KIA).

"Unit History - US, 63rd Infantry Division, 1943-1945," Database, *Fold3* (fold3.com: accessed May 31, 2026), entry for Wilbur Nutting.

<https://www.fold3.com/image/296507068/0003-complete-alphabetical-roster-of-division-personnel-page-709-unit-history-us-63rd-infantry-divis?terms=nutting%2Cwilbur>

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Mueckler, Ernest E	S/Sgt	36215000	I	20-Feb-45	
Mullins, Carvel	Pfc	33662261	K	7-Apr-45	
Munger, Charles E. Jr	Pfc	16082312	A	11-Apr-45	
Muse, Homer C	Pfc	37231280	F	29-Jan-45	
Nabors, Curtis L	Pvt	44046474	C	3-Mar-45	
Nash, Arthur C	Pfc	36978162	B	25-Feb-45	
Nehring, Ralph V	Pfc	37583234	K	9-Jan-45	
Nelson, Roy J	Pfc	38570992	K	7-Apr-45	
Neuhoff, Warren R	Pfc	35850183	C	19-Mar-45	
Newman, Melvin	Pfc	42066019	B	23-Jan-45	
Nicolai, George H	Pfc	37749910	I	9-Apr-45	
Nordholm, Joe A	Sgt	37139728	B	23-Apr-45	
Nutting, Wilbur F	Capt	0462658	B	17-Jan-45	
Oatman, Wilburn I	T/5	37140630	I	8-Apr-45	
Odom, Elwood W	Pfc	44036683	L	18-Apr-45	
Olson, Arthur R	Pvt	37771557	L	2-Apr-45	
Olson, Everett B	Cpl	36829205	F	16-Mar-45	
Owensby, Eddie	Pfc	34685013	B	2-Apr-45	
Ozug, John F	Pvt	35158439	E	17-Mar-45	
Pacholski, Victor J	Sgt	36342276	C	24-Mar-45	
Parello, Frank J	Pvt	42075777	A	19-Mar-45	
Parrett, Ernest H	Sgt	18180359	B	20-Apr-45	
Patterson, Lloyd A	Pfc	38683024	M	15-Mar-45	
Payne, R C	Sgt	38506562	C	19-Mar-45	
Pearlman, Philip	Sgt	32999076	B	28-Jan-45	
Pelarcik, John J	Pfc	33831701	K	8-Feb-45	
Penney, Norman H	Pfc	42065338	H	17-Mar-45	
Perkins, Robert W	Pvt	35850010	F	22-Mar-45	
Perrucci, Anthony	Pvt	42186848	L	19-Mar-45	
Perry, Rensley	Pfc	35203173	K	16-Apr-45	
Phillips, Bernard	T/5	36874757	Sv	18-Mar-45	
Pittman, Robert F	Pfc	34917006	K	1-Feb-45	
Placenti, Joseph	Pvt	42063621	B	17-Apr-45	
Poe, Odell O	Pfc	33888693	C	4-Feb-45	
Ponthieux, Emeric M	Pfc	38490830	A	23-Jan-45	
Posada, Elio G	Pfc	34971233	C	4-Feb-45	
Pozona, Edward J	Pfc	42030394	K	9-Jan-45	
Price, James E	Pvt	33210068	B	26-Apr-45	
Psomas, Peter S	Pvt	42187307	L	19-Mar-45	

Unit History - US, 63rd Infantry Division, 1943-1945

In the 63rd Infantry Division's history, Wilbur appeared among the casualties of the 254th Infantry Regiment. The list showed his rank of Captain, his service number O462658, his company B, and his date of death, January 17, 1945.

Dans l'histoire de la 63e division d'infanterie, Wilbur figurait parmi les victimes du 254e régiment d'infanterie. La liste indiquait son grade de capitaine, son matricule O462658, sa compagnie (la B) et la date de son décès, le 17 janvier 1945.

"Unit History - US, 63rd Infantry Division, 1943-1945," Database, *Fold3* (fold3.com: accessed May 31, 2026), entry for Wilbur Nutting.

<https://www.fold3.com/image/306360274/254th-infantry-regimental-deaths-in-europe-page-9-unit-history-us-63rd-infantry-division-1943-1945>

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Meinking, Ralph R.	Pfc.	36831230	Med. Det.	254 Inf.
Mell, Thomas L.	Pfc.	36904916	C Co.	254 Inf.
Menning, Fred H.	S/Sgt.	35478660	C Co.	692 TD
Mercer, John H., Jr.	Capt.	0355503	HQ&HQ Bty.	862 FA
Merritt, James E., Jr.	2/Lt.	0556854	M Co.	253 Inf.
Metzger, Otto P.	Pfc.	42180502	C Co.	254 Inf.
Milano, Felix J.	Pfc.	32994587	F Co.	254 Inf.
Miller, Ausbon F.	Sgt.	34918414	G Co.	255 Inf.
Miller, Glenn J.	Pfc.	39597879	B Co.	254 Inf.
Miller, Lloyd	Pvt.	34095818	1 Hq & Co.	254 Inf.
Miller, Raphael H., Jr.	Capt.	0556485	HQ&HQ Co.	255 Inf.
Miller, Vernon H.	T/4	35360389	Med. Det.	254 Inf.
Mindick, Ralph B.	Pfc.	35242504	1 Hq & Co.	253 Inf.
Mitchell, Laurel C.	Pfc.	6154124	C Co.	254 Inf.
Moldavan, Nicholas	Sgt.	33037777	F Co.	253 Inf.
Montgomery, Sidney J.	Pfc.	38685329	M Co.	254 Inf.
Moody, Charles D.	T/5	36874772	A Btry.	861 FA
Moore, Murray M.	Sgt.	35927718	K Co.	253 Inf.
Moore, Thomas V., Jr.	Capt.	0495702	1 Hq & Co.	253 Inf.
Morgan, Keith	Pfc.	42123333	E Co.	254 Inf.
Moriarty, John J.	S/Sgt.	42092805	F Co.	253 Inf.
Mullins, Carvel	Pfc.	33662261	K Co.	254 Inf.
Mulrairie, Russell H.	Pvt.	42179322	C Co.	253 Inf.
Muncey, Francis	Pfc.	39925531	A Co.	253 Inf.
Murphy, Albert E.	T/Sgt.	35394011	G Co.	254 Inf.
Murphy, Thomas J.	T/Sgt.	36724869	C Co.	253 Inf.
Myers, Paul R.	2/Lt.	02007088	K Co.	255 Inf.
Myrick, Frank H.	S/Sgt.	34026667	F Co.	253 Inf.
Nelson, Roy J.	Pfc.	38570992	K Co.	254 Inf.
Neuhoff, Warren R.	Pvt.	35850183	C Co.	254 Inf.
Neuman, Arthur	Sgt.	20624397	H Co.	254 Inf.
Nutting, Wilbur F.	Capt.	0462658	B Co.	254 Inf.
Oliver, Charles B.	Pfc.	34898312	D Co.	255 Inf.
O'Malley, Alton C.	Pfc.	36766132	A Btry.	861 FA
Ontko, Earl G.	Sgt.	36243414	Med. Det.	254 Inf.
Oreschak, Andrew	2/Lt.	02007045	I Co.	254 Inf.
Osborne, Frank	T/Sgt.	39286649	E Co.	253 Inf.
Ott, Jesse L.	1/Lt.	01179992	HQ&HQ Bty.	863 FA
Owens, John W., Jr.	T/Sgt.	6249472	G Co.	254 Inf.
Paez, Joseph	S/Sgt.	20624404	G Co.	255 Inf.
Parrett, Ernest H.	Sgt.	18180359	B Co.	254 Inf.
Passo, Morris J.	Pfc.	42074237	C Co.	254 Inf.
Pearson, Paul L.	Sgt.	38371446	C Co.	740 Tank
Peters, Thomas L.	1/Lt.	0554159	I Co.	253 Inf.
Pierce, Harold K.	1/Lt.	01054211	I Co.	254 Inf.
Piontek, Frank L., Jr.	Capt.	0129239	D Co.	254 Inf.
Placenti, Joseph	Pvt.	42063621	B Co.	254 Inf.
Podobinski, Andrew	S/Sgt.	31410486	E Co.	253 Inf.
Potter, Robert E.	2/Lt.	01185779	B Btry.	862 FA
Powell, William R.	S/Sgt.	20529054	B Co.	253 Inf.
Pratt, Edward L.	T/5	32942775	Med. Det.	254 Inf.
Preece, Arnold W.	2/Lt.	02011512	F Co.	253 Inf.
Pribam, John G.	Pfc.	33752517	Med. Det.	254 Inf.
Pritchard, Fulman	Sgt.	38115102	C Co.	822 TD
Pure, Ervin H.	Pfc.	19203556	A Co.	254 Inf.

Silver Star Awards

Captain Wilbur Franklin Nutting was posthumously awarded the Silver Star. The 63rd Infantry Division's history listed him among the few other men who received this award. This is the third-highest award for valor in combat.

Le capitaine Wilbur Franklin Nutting s'est vu décerner à titre posthume la Silver Star. L'histoire de la 63e division d'infanterie le mentionne parmi les rares autres hommes à avoir reçu cette distinction. Il s'agit de la troisième plus haute distinction pour bravoure au combat.

"Unit History - US, 63rd Infantry Division, 1943-1945," Database, *Fold3* (fold3.com: accessed May 31, 2026), entry for Wilbur Nutting.

<https://www.fold3.com/image/296440748/0002-a-63rd-infantry-division-chronicles-part-iii-page-59-unit-history-us-63rd-infantry-division-194>

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His Silver Star citation: The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress July 9, 1918, takes pride in presenting the Silver Star (Posthumously) to Captain (Infantry) Wilbur F. Nutting (ASN: 0-462658), United States Army, for gallantry in action while serving with Company B, 254th Infantry Regiment, 63d Infantry Division, in action on 17 January 1945, in the vicinity of Sigolsheim, Germany. Accompanied by a squad of men, Captain Nutting was inspecting the company's position. Hearing a firefight at one of the outposts, he immediately raced to the position and encountered four enemies. Leading the squad, he engaged the enemy, killing one and capturing the remaining three. After placing his men in a building and directing their fire upon the enemy from an exposed position, he was killed by enemy artillery. The gallant action and outstanding devotion to duty displayed by Captain Nutting reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States.

Silver Star Citation

Captain Wilbur F. Nutting was posthumously awarded the Silver Star for his gallantry near Sigolsheim on 17 January 1945, where he led his men against enemy forces. The statement provides details about the circumstances of his death.

Le capitaine Wilbur F. Nutting a reçu à titre posthume la Silver Star pour son courage près de Sigolsheim, le 17 janvier 1945, où il a mené ses hommes au combat contre les forces ennemies. Sa citation apporte des précisions sur les circonstances de son décès.

"Nutting, Wilbur F.," database, American War Memorials Overseas, (American War Memorials Overseas.org: accessed May 31, 2026), entry for Wilbur Nutting.

https://www.uswarmemorials.org/html/people_details.php?PeopleID=4654

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Legacy

Capt. W. T. Nutting Killed in Action On French Front

Capt. Wilbur T. [Bill] Nutting, son of Mrs. Dale F. Nutting, 1412 Minnesota Ave., and former well-known athlete at Orlando High School and the University of Florida, met his death on Jan. 7 [sic] while leading his company in action in France, according to word received Wednesday by his mother from the War Department.

Capt. Nutting was 26 years old, having graduated from Orlando High School in 1938 and from University of Florida in 1942. He enlisted immediately following his college graduation. In college he was cadet colonel of the ROTC, and had been a member of the Florida National Guard since 1934 and clerk to Maj. Robert Davis. During his vacations, Capt. Nutting worked in the city engineer's office at city hall and was widely and popularly known throughout the city.

His last furlough, spent with his mother in Orlando, terminated on Oct. 19 last, the date of Orlando's hurricane. He left immediately for overseas. Mrs. Nutting received a chatty letter from the captain just four hours before the War Department telegram arrived, advising her of his death in action.

Transcription from the *Orlando Sentinel*

On February 2, 1945, the *Orlando Sentinel* published Wilbur's obituary, indicating a wrong date of death (Jan 7 instead of Jan 17). It traced his student and military path and noted that his mother had received a letter from him just a few hours before she received the telegram announcing his death.

Le 2 février 1945, le *Orlando Sentinel* a publié la nécrologie de Wilbur, en indiquant une date de décès erronée (le 7 janvier au lieu du 17 janvier). L'article retraçait son parcours scolaire et militaire et précisait que sa mère avait reçu une lettre de sa part quelques heures seulement avant de recevoir le télégramme annonçant son décès.

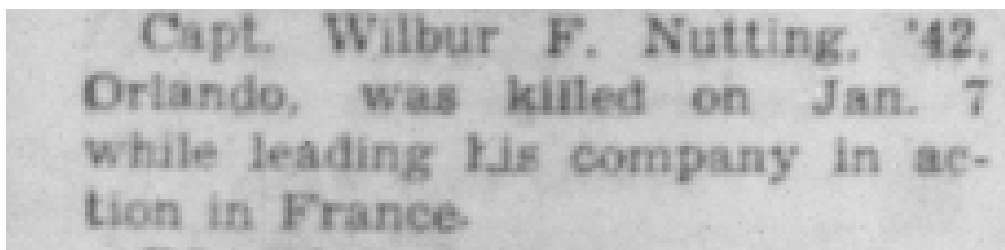
"Capt W.T. Nutting Killed in Action On French Front," *The Orlando Sentinel* (Orlando, FL), February 2, 1945, Newspapers.com.

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Except from an article from The *Florida Alligator*

On March 16, 1945, the *Florida Alligator* also announced Wilbur's death to the Gainesville community. Possibly using the same information as the Orlando newspaper's staff, it also provided his death date as January 7 and not January 17.

Le 16 mars 1945, le *Florida Alligator* a également annoncé le décès de Wilbur à la population de Gainesville. S'appuyant peut-être sur les mêmes informations que la rédaction du journal d'Orlando, il indiquait lui aussi que la date de son décès était le 7 janvier et non le 17 janvier.

"Alumini in Action," *The Florida Alligator* (Gainesville, FL), March 16, 1945, University of Florida Digital Collection, George A. Smathers Libraries, accessed May 30, 2026, entry Wilbur Nutting. We wish to thank the UF librarians for their assistance in telling Wilbur Nutting's story.

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NAME	ADDRESS	AGE	SEX	PLACES OF BIRTH	EDUCATION	OCCUPATION			
West, Grantry D.	1234 Virginia	23	M	Fla	8	Farmer			
" Janie -	1234 "	31	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
" David	1234 "	12	M	Fla	0	Student			
" Douglas	1234 "	2	M	Fla	0	Child			
Jewell, Mildred	1234 "	29	F	Fla	8	Teacher			
James, Lewis A.	1242 Alameda	65	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
" Katherine	1242 "	63	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
Matting, Elsie P.	1412 "	57	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
" William F.	1412 "	26	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
Carlson, William	1716 N. Duval	45	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
" Katherine	1716 "	44	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
" Kenneth	1716 "	16	M	Fla	0	Child			
Schneek, Joseph L.	1315 "	37	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
" Emma	1315 "	42	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
" Marjorie	1315 "	11	F	Fla	0	Child			
Dougherty, Charles	1316 "	89	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
Falls, Gus	1316 "	52	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
Sae, Elizabeth E.	1026 Montrose	65	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
" Catherine	1026 "	43	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
Booke, Mary L.	1026 "	46	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
Reynolds, William	819 Franklin	20	M	Fla	0	Child			
" George	819 "	15	M	Fla	0	Child			
Parker, John L.	819 "	23	M	Fla	0	Child			
" Virginia	819 "	24	F	Fla	0	Child			
Reynolds, Guy E.	522 "	22	M	Fla	0	Child			
Smith, George H.	1022 Wilford Dr.	85	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
" Marie R.	1022 "	73	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
Spencer, Mary L.	1412 Harmon Ave.	91	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
Swanson, Paul C.	1412 "	30	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
" Sylvia P.	1412 "	32	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
" Paul J.	1412 "	1	M	Fla	0	Child			
Rogers, Burton A.	1412 "	4	M	Fla	0	Child			
White, Charles R.	1420 "	30	M	Fla	0	Child			
" Alma E.	1420 "	30	F	Fla	0	Child			
" Alice M.	1420 "	6	F	Fla	0	Child			
Anderson, Paul O.	1607 "	32	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
" Doris O.	1607 "	25	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
" Paul C.	1607 "	0	M	Fla	0	Child			
Brackner, Christopher	1617 "	99	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
" Sara B.	1617 "	68	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
Dempsey, Thomas	1613 "	80	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
" Alice	1613 "	46	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
" Artemus	1613 "	21	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
" Starline	1613 "	17	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
" John	1613 "	14	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
Shiota, Charles F.	1709 Danphin	79	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
" Anna M.	1709 "	77	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
Newbold, George U.	1615 "	66	M	Fla	10	Farmer			
" Virginia	1615 "	58	F	Fla	10	Homemaker			
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1945 Florida Census

In the 1945 state census, Elsie reported the family's information to the census taker. Although she included Wilbur in the household record, she indicated that he had died during his military service "deceased A." Her husband was also missing from the record.

Lors du recensement de l'État de Floride de 1945, Elsie a fourni au recenseur les informations relatives à sa famille. Bien qu'elle ait inscrit Wilbur dans le registre du foyer, elle a précisé qu'il était décédé pendant son service militaire : « Deceased A. ». Son mari ne figurait pas non plus dans le registre.

"Florida, State Census, 1945," database *FamilySearch* (Familysearch.com: accessed May 28, 2026), entry for Wilbur Nutting.

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MNFR-QKS?lang=en>

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Mr. Thomas C. Nutting

Mr. Thomas Clifton Nutting, 60, died Friday evening after a long illness. Private funeral services were held from the Carey Hand chapel Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 with the Rev. Dean Melville Johnson officiating.

Transcription from the *Orlando Evening Star*

In October 1945, Thomas Clifton Nutting, Wilbur's father, passed away after a long illness.

En octobre 1945, Thomas Clifton Nutting, le père de Wilbur, est décédé des suites d'une longue maladie.

"Mr. Thomas C. Nutting," *The Orlando Evening Star* (Orlando, FL), October 30, 1945, Newspapers.com.

<https://www.newspapers.com/article/orlando-evening-star/199226509/>

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83 **Carey Hand Funeral Home**

Name of Deceased Thomas Clifton Nutting
 Date of Death Oct. 29-1945 3:30 A.M.
 Cause of Death not given on Permit
 Place of Death Chattahoochee State Hospital
 Residence 412 Minnesota Ave. - Orlando, Fla.
 Age 60 Yrs 5 Mo's 12 Days
 Weight _____ Height _____ ft. _____ in. Eyes _____
 Funeral at No Service
 Date _____ 194 _____ M.
 Account Charged Mrs. Elsie Nutting
 Address 1412 Minnesota Ave. - Orlando, Fla.
 Account Guaranteed _____
 Address _____
 Embalming _____
 Robe, Suit, Dress _____
 Underwear and Hose _____
 Casket _____
 Casket with Copper Lin. _____
 Style of Casket _____
 No. of Casket _____
 Outside Box _____
 Shipping Case or Vault _____
 Handles _____
 Pillow Set _____
 Name Plate _____
 Cemetery _____
 Section _____ Lot _____
 I Other Graves _____
 N _____ E _____
 S _____
 X Grave on This Date _____
 W _____
 Cremation Permitted 10/30/45 50.00
 Urn _____
 Single Grave _____
 Opening and Closing Grave _____
 Body Shipped to _____ 84.10
 R. R. Ticket _____ 87.25
 Cash Advanced To State Hosp.
 Autos _____
 Telegram Yes 1.85
 Minister _____
 Music _____
 Casket Wagon _____ (1) 5.00
 Physician _____
 County or City Burial _____
 Automobiles _____
 Baggage or Express Train No. _____
139.10

Funeral Home Record

Thomas Clifton Nutting's cremation card indicates that Wilbur's father passed away on October 29, 1945, at the Chattahoochee State Hospital, the only state mental institution in Florida at the time.

La carte de crémation de Thomas Clifton Nutting indique que le père de Wilbur est décédé le 29 octobre 1945 à l'hôpital d'État de Chattahoochee, le seul établissement psychiatrique public de Floride à l'époque.

UCF Stars, *Carey Hand Funeral Home*, Caret Hand Undertaker's Memoranda 1945, in the UCF Stars Digital collection, entry Thomas Clifton Nutting, accessed June 10, 2026, <https://stars.library.ucf.edu/cfm-ch-memoranda-1945/493/>

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BASS HENRY T JR 01303933 1 LT KIA
BERKA ALBERT JR 34545143 S SG KIA
GOODWIN WILLIAM J 34789299 PFC DOM
LEITNER PETE 34202882 PFC DOM
LIGHTSEY ROBERT D 34051486 SGT KIA
THOMAS JAMES H 34545155 PFC KIA
WATFORD HERMAN K 14027521 PVT DNB

ORANGE COUNTY

AHART CHARLES W 14120606 AV C DNB
AHRENS WALTER C 6908767 T SG KIA
ANDERSON DON L 14014214 T SG KIA
ANDERSON ELMER J 34783328 SGT FOD
ANDERSON GORDON W 34538140 PFC DNB
ANDERSON THOMAS 34051984 PVT DNB
AYERS CLOVIS F 14038613 PVT DOM
BALLARD GEORGE W 34414930 PVT DNB
BARNARD ROY H JR 14116278 PFC KIA
BARNES JAMES C 34405961 CPL KIA
BARR ESTON J 0-753486 8 LT DNB
BASS THOMAS H 14085490 PFC KIA
BELLAMY JOHNIE B 34788632 PFC KIA
BENNETT BILLY F 34056192 PFC DOM
BENNETT HARVEY L 14082909 SGT DNB
BETHEL CARRYL O SR 0-790783 2 LT KIA
BOUTON PAUL JR 34974389 PFC KIA
BRANSON DONALD H 13000566 PVT KIA
BRAY WILLIAM C 0-735036 8 LT FOD
BRAZEALE ROBERT C 14027030 S SG DNB
BROADWELL RAYMON R 34050478 PVT DNB
BROOKS HARRY L 34796101 PVT DOM
BROWN JAMES W 34409727 PFC KIA
BRUCE JAMES H 34788246 PVT KIA
BUSSELL ELVIN T 0-794756 2 LT DNB
BYRD HOMER L 34788614 PFC KIA
CALDWELL HAROLD NMI 0-749166 1 LT DNB
CARSON ROBERT S 34403341 PVT KIA
CHAFFIN FRANK D 34788443 PFC KIA
CHURCH RALPH W 34209135 TEC4 KIA
CLARKE WILLIAM E 0-436968 8 LT FOD
CLEMENTS FRANK B JR 0-673485 2 LT KIA
COITH STEPHEN S 14004751 T SG DNB
CONLEY THOMAS F 4406337 PFC KIA
CONNELL DANIEL R 7087127 T SG KIA
COWART WILLIAM E 34784998 PFC DOM
COX MANUEL C 0-673485 2 LT KIA
CRIST HERLEN D 14118129 TEC5 KIA
DAVENPORT A R JR 34974341 PFC KIA
DAVIS RAY D 14000382 TEC5 DNB
DAY CHARLES W 0-744125 8 LT FOD
DEAN REED W 0-659674 1 LT KIA
DEBUTS DANIEL D JR 34051100 PFC DNB
DOELLMAN FREDERICK J 34056253 SGT DNB
DRENNAN ROBERT H JR 0-804800 1 LT KIA
DYER ROBERT M JR 34545315 PVT DOM
ENSLY JOHN H 34788445 PVT KIA
FAIRCHILD ROBERT G 14057739 PVT FOD
FALACAN JESSE I 14044660 TEC5 DNB
FELDS EDWIN C 0-414578 1 LT FOD
FEZL CHARLES A 44005527 PFC KIA
FEZL FRANCIS A 0-708570 8 LT KIA
FISCHER ROBERT G 20420613 PFC KIA
FLAKE J C 34780050 PFC KIA
FOSTER HOMER J 0-015999 COL DNB
FRENCH FORREST J 34201470 PFC DOM
GASKINS CECIL E 0-085479 CAPT FOD
GEE CLOUGH F 3RD 0-705576 1 LT KIA
GORUCH RICHARD P 0-022512 LT C KIA
GRAMBO FREDERICK C 0-820481 2 LT DNB
GRAY JACK L 14038458 PVT DNB
GREGORY LOREN J 7005016 PFC KIA
GRESHAM JACK M 34407905 PFC KIA
GROSSBACHER JACK G 0-379897 CAPT DNB
HANNETT THOMAS F 0-770260 2 LT FOD
HARDIN WILLIAM R 0-399609 8 LT DNB
HARRINGTON LOREN H 34959576 TEC5 DNB
HARRISON JEFFREY A 34407905 PFC KIA
HARRIS JOHN T 6088477 N SG DNB
HASEMANN GEORGE J 0-342867 MAJ DNB
HATFIELD JOHN R 14014417 PVT KIA
HAVERFIELD NATHAN K 1411147 PFC DNB
HAYWOOD JESSE 14082086 PVT KIA
HENDERSON WILLIE F 34068340 PFC DNB
HENDRICKS JOHN L 02063035 2 LT DNB
HICKS JAMES T 0-816103 1 LT KIA
HOGUE ROBERT M 34534459 PFC KIA
HOUSTON BENNIE F 14064415 SGT DNB
HURDARD WILLIAM A 14180787 PFC DNB
HUNTER WILLARD M 34934441 PFC KIA
HURRIC DAVID 0-462581 2 LT DNB
HUSMAN THOMAS S 14038458 PVT KIA
ISON PROVIA 34912059 PVT KIA
JACOBS LOUIS C 34053431 PFC DNB
JOHNSON ROBERT N 0-405479 CAPT KIA
JOHNSON THAD K JO 1-190432 FLO DNB
KEENE DAVID C 14082679 T SG DNB
KERNES RUSSELL E 34400077 S SG KIA
KING FANE C 14044002 SGT DNB
KIRKLAND LUTHER E 14064486 PVT KIA
KUNH GAIL C 01393148 1 LT KIA
LANGSTON VERNON H 0-796706 2 LT DNB
LEGGETT ERNEST R 6374760 S SG DNB
LIPSCOMB HENRY P 34784990 PVT KIA
LIPSCOMB SOLOMON D 34531882 PFC DNB
LOUCKS CHARLES W 0-803029 CAPT DNB
LUTCHER GEORGE D 34788584 AV C DNB
MARTIN ALBERT O JR 0-799606 1 LT FOD
MARTIN IVAN L 14044852 PFC DNB
MASHBURN WILLIAM C 34054152 PVT DNB
MC ALLISTER C C JR 14014458 PVT DNB
MC MILLAN GEORGE B 0-366348 LT C KIA
MC MULLEN NAPOLEON A 14044662 T SG KIA
MC NEIL LOGAN A 34795744 PVT KIA
MEADOWS BENJAMIN F 01387000 2 LT KIA
NICKLER JAMES A 14064698 T SG FOD
NICKLER JAMES A 0-675105 2 LT KIA
NANGLE MCELROY 0-670960 1 LT DNB
NASH BRITTEN V 34407633 CPL DNB
NASH OPIE R 34207243 PVT KIA
NEFF CHARLES D 34795896 PVT KIA
NUNN GEORGE C 34788584 AV C DNB
NUTTING WILBUR F 0-462558 CAPT KIA
PARKER PAUL A 14084801 S SG DNB
PATRICK CLARENCE L 14081217 SGT DOM
PERSONS HUBERT W 20420635 PFC KIA
PFETER LOUIS L 34404170 SGT KIA
PHILLIPS MARION C N-742970 2 LT DNB
PORTER JACK JR 14048034 PVT KIA
RANDOLPH RICHARD B 14064057 S SG KIA
RAYBUN ALBERT G 0-453572 CAPT DOM
RHODES VERNON A 34971931 PFC KIA
ROLFE JAMES A 14084830 PVT DNB
RUSS CHARLIE L 34055162 PFC KIA

RUTHERFORD R H JR 34545094 PVT DNB
SAUNDERS EDGAR T 14084053 TEC5 KIA
SCHROEDER RUSSELL F 0-704067 8 LT FOD
SERROS JEROME C 0-650684 CAPT KIA
SHANK EDWARD F 14082950 PFC DNB
SHIVER ORVILLE R T-066127 FL O DNB
SIKKENGA ALBERT L JR 0-747182 1 LT KIA
SMITH LLOYD T 01298612 1 LT KIA
SMITH WILBUR L 34793135 PVT KIA
SOUTHARD DAVID A 0-431312 2 LT DNB
SPEAR FRANK J 34539468 PFC DNB
STEGAL KEAP E 20420639 PFC KIA
STEPHENS EDMOND C 14085375 CPL DNB
STEVENSON ROBERT L 34404037 S SG KIA
STRAUBEL ERICH R 20433859 PVT DNB
STRUBLE ARCH B JR 34784822 PVT KIA
SULATYCKI ROLAND R 14064019 PFC KIA
SULLIVAN CHARLES L 14044661 PVT KIA
SWILLEY WILLIAM D 34795060 PFC KIA
SYKES LUCIOUS 34531913 PFC DNB
TAYLOR JOHN W 14133138 AV C DNB
TERHUNE WILLIAM V JR 0-430870 2 LT FOD
TICE JAY H 14088321 PVT KIA
TRUETT LAWRENCE T 14013889 PFC KIA
TUCKER JOHN P T-123200 FVL O FOD
TURNER HERRITT D 0-782986 2 LT FOD
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VINCI SALVATORE V 34209832 PFC KIA
WADE EDDIE 34203092 PVT DNB
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WILSON MELVIN L 34403379 SGT DNB
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WOODALL ALVA M 14083140 S SG KIA
WRENNICK HENRY T 34537627 PVT DNB
WRIGHT TONNIE L 34785989 PVT KIA

OSCEOLA COUNTY

BONEY GORDON 34023595 PFC DNB
CONN CLAXTON B 6890060 PVT DNB
EMMETT ROBERT J 34052541 PFC KIA
HAYE FLOYD H 34200545 S SG KIA
KIRKLAND LEONIDAS 34910653 PFC KIA
LANIER COLUMBUS S 44007726 PVT DNB
PEED DELBERT B 14057571 PFC DNB
PETERSON CARL E JR 14131814 AV C DNB
PIATT DONN M 0-433200 2 LT DNB
RINALDI TONY H 14044833 PFC KIA
SIMMONS LUIE N 34788448 PFC KIA
TRIMM CORNELIUS A JR 0-760749 CAPT DNB
YOUNG CHARLES E 14064108 PVT KIA
ZITTELMAN THOMAS R 39118005 S SG KIA

US, WWII Army and Army Air Force Casualty List, 1946

On the casualty list, organized by State and County, Wilbur Nutting appeared under Orange County, FL with his rank, his service number, and KIA for killed In Action.

Sur la liste des victimes, classée par État et comté, Wilbur Nutting figurait sous la rubrique « Comté d'Orange, Floride », avec son grade, son matricule et la mention « KIA » (tué au combat).

"US, WWII Army and Army Air Force Casualty List, 1946," database, Fold3 (Fold3.com: accessed May 31, 2026), entry Wilbur Nutting.

<https://www.fold3.com/sub-image/299332631/nutting-wilbur-f-us-wwii-army-and-army-air-force-casualty-list-1946>

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TO: THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.										RELIGIOUS EMBLEM (Check One) ☒ LATIN CROSS ☐ STAR OF DAVID				
NAME (Last, first, middle initial) NUTTING, Wilbur F.										STATE Florida		SERVICE DATA (Company, regiment, or other organization or branch of service and division, if any.) U. S. Army Infantry		
										RANK Capt.				
										SERIAL NO. 0-462658				
DATE OF BIRTH			DATE OF DEATH			DATE OF INTERMENT			GRAVE LOCATION		DATES OF SERVICE			
MONTH	DAY	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	YEAR	SEC. OR PLOT	GRAVE OR LOT NO.	ENLISTMENT	DIED ON A. D.	DISCHARGE	RETIREMENT
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SHIPPING POINT FOR HEADSTONES RAILROAD STATION FOR FREIGHT PINELAWN, L. I., NEW YORK										SIGNATURE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF NATIONAL CEMETERY OR QM OF POST OR POW CEMETERY John Bouché (SIGNATURE)				
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National Cemetery Interment Control Forms

On April 15, 1948, Wilbur's remains journeyed from Epinal American Cemetery to Long Island National Cemetery, NY. His mother, Elsie, decided to have Wilbur brought home as part of the WWII Return of the Dead Program. The cemetery superintendent ordered his headstone with a Latin cross engraved on it.

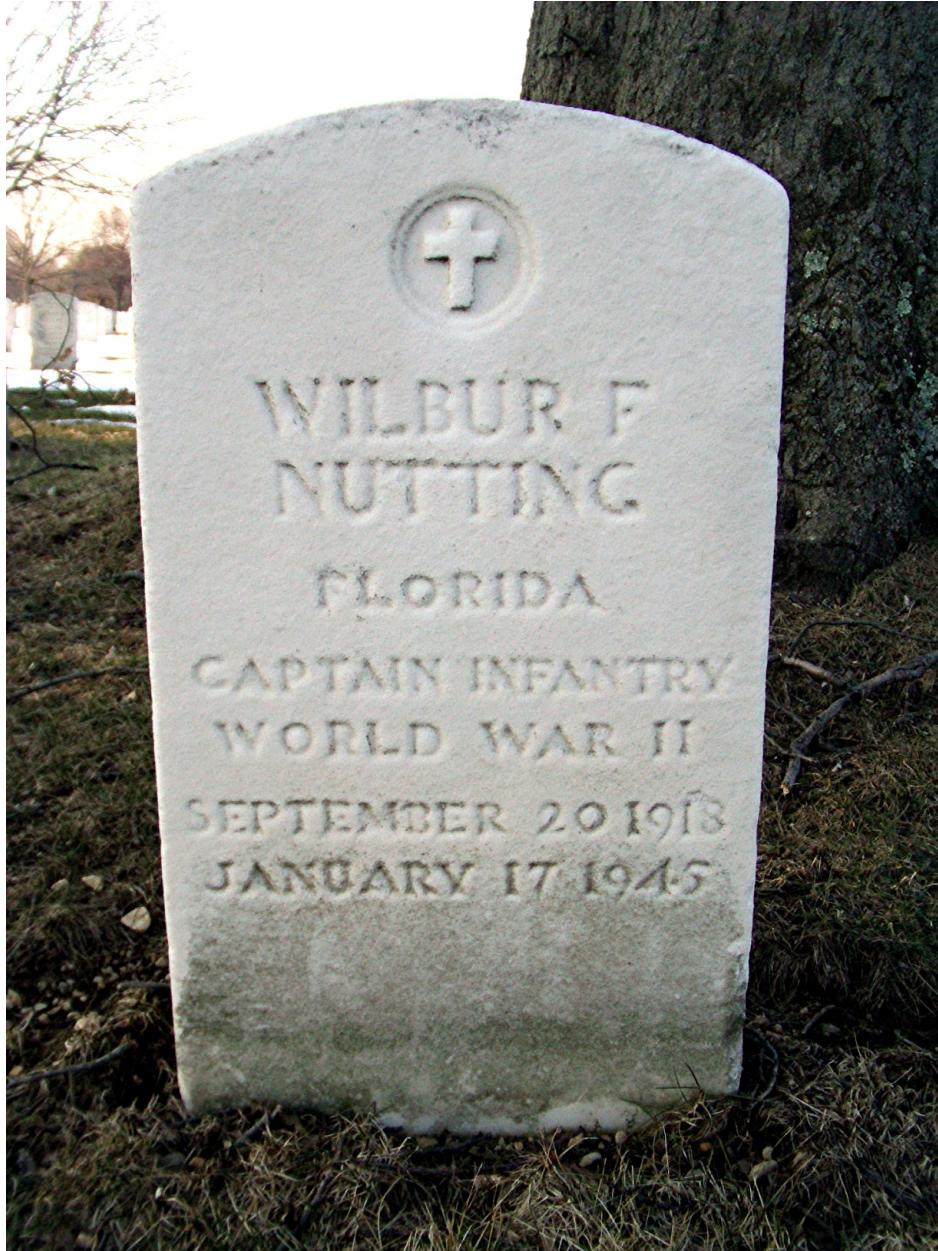
Le 15 avril 1948, la dépouille de Wilbur a été transférée du cimetière américain d'Épinal au cimetière national de Long Island (New York). Sa mère, Elsie, avait décidé de le faire rapatrier dans le cadre du programme de rapatriement des dépouilles mortelles de la Seconde Guerre mondiale. Le responsable du cimetière a commandé une pierre tombale sur laquelle était gravée une croix latine.

"U.S., National Cemetery Interment Control Forms, 1928-1962," database, Ancestry (ancestry.com: Accessed May 31, 2026), entry Wilbur Nutting.

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2590/images/40479_2421402106_0475-03204?ssrc=&usePUB=true&pId=1631149

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Headstone

Captain Wilbur Nutting's grave at the Long Island National Cemetery, NY.

La tombe du capitaine Wilbur Nutting au cimetière national de Long Island (New York).

"Wilbur F. Nutting", Photo, *Find A Grave* (FindAGrave.com: accessed June 10, 2026), entry for Wilbur Nutting, New York.

<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/2772736/wilbur-franklin-nutting>

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In 1950, Elsie Nutting, Wilbur's mother, was a widow living alone in Orlando, FL.

"United States, Census, 1950," database *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed May 28, 2026), entry for Elsie Nutting.

<https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/62308/images/43290879-Florida-059392-0006?src=&usePUB=true&id=80500372>

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By FAYE HOFFER

Sentinel Staff

Deeds recorded the past week at the circuit court clerk's office totaled \$3,683,550, a slight increase over last week's total of \$3,236,100.

Transactions for \$10,000 or more were recorded as follows:

.....

Robert L. Newbold and wife to Elsie T. Nutting, \$11,000,
Hillcrest Heights

.....

Except from an article from The *Orlando Sentinel*

In 1959, Elsie Nutting sold her house in Hillcrest Heights, downtown Orlando, FL.

En 1959, Elsie Nutting a vendu sa maison située à Hillcrest Heights, dans le centre-ville d'Orlando (Floride).

"County Deals \$3.6 Million," *Orlando Sentinel* (Orlando, FL), March 15, 1959, Newspapers.com.

https://www.newspapers.com/image/223348939/?match=1&clipping_id=198454349

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Mrs. T. Nutting, 81, 2311 Mussekwhite Ave., died Wednesday.

A native of Massachusetts, she came to Orlando 45 years ago. She was a Baptist.

Survivors: Sister, Mrs. Florence Bauer, Atlantic City, N.J.; and cousin, Richard Trucer, Toledo, Ohio.

W. Guy Black Home for Funerals.

Obituary

On November 29, 1972, Elsie Nutting, aged 81, passed away in Orlando, FL.

Le 29 novembre 1972, Elsie Nutting, est décédée à Orlando (Floride), à l'âge de 81 ans.

"Mrs. Elsie T. Nutting," *Orlando Sentinel* (Orlando, FL), December 1, 1972, Newspapers.com.

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/225395569/>

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Memorial Plaque

The village of Sigolsheim honored Wilbur's memory by naming a bridge after him near the place where he was killed. The commemorative plaque, however, contains an error: it identifies him as a member of the 28th Infantry Division, whereas he actually served with the 254th Infantry Regiment of the 63rd Infantry Division.

Le village de Sigolsheim a rendu hommage à Wilbur en donnant son nom à un pont situé près de l'endroit où il a trouvé la mort. La plaque commémorative comporte toutefois une erreur : elle l'identifie comme membre de la 28e division d'infanterie, alors qu'il a servi au sein du 254e régiment d'infanterie de la 63e division d'infanterie.

"Wilbur F. Nutting", Photo, *Find A Grave* (FindaGrave.com: accessed June 10, 2026), entry for Wilbur Nutting, New York.

https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/2772736/wilbur_franklin-nutting/photo#view-photo=131167028

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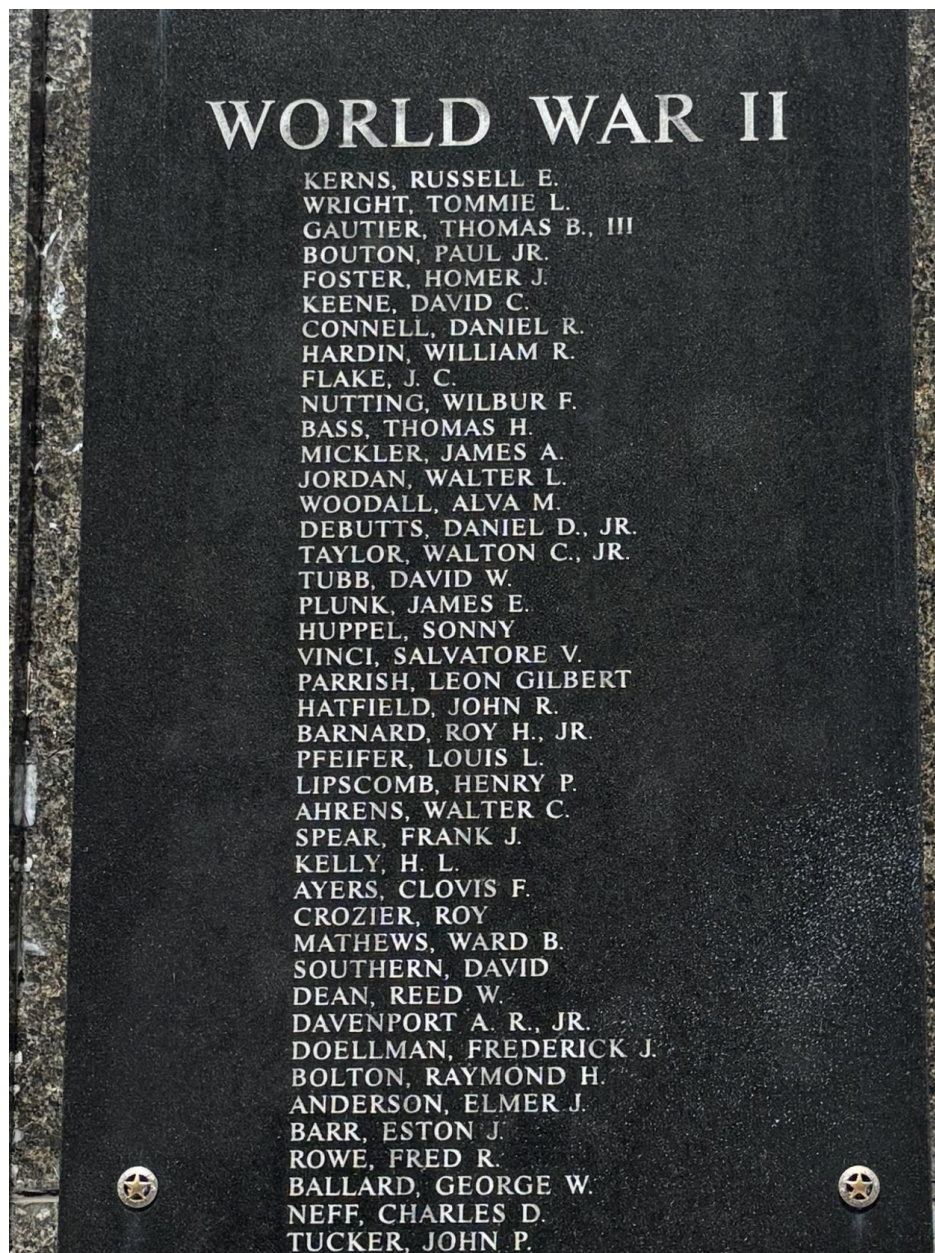
Orange County Florida Veterans Memorial

In 1997 the Orange County Board of Commissioners dedicated this memorial to Veterans. It sits on Livingston Ave. in the shadow of the Orange County Courthouse and less than a mile from Wilbur's high school.

En 1997, le Conseil des commissaires du comté d'Orange a inauguré ce mémorial en l'honneur des anciens combattants. Il se trouve sur Livingston Avenue, à proximité du palais de justice du comté d'Orange et à moins d'un kilomètre et demi du lycée de Wilbur.

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Orange County Florida Veterans Memorial

This detail from the back of the memorial shows Captain Wilbur F. Nutting, tenth from the top of the list of Orange County Florida World War II Veterans.

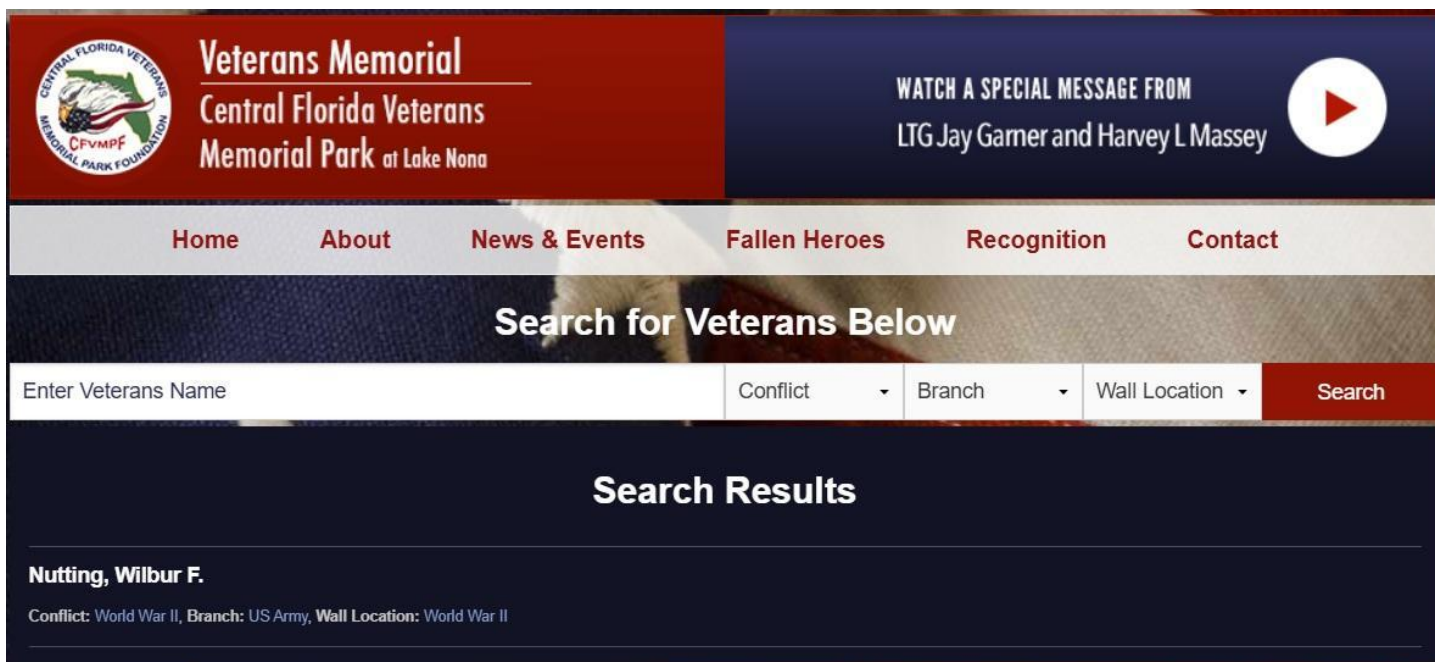
Ce détail de la face arrière du mémorial montre le capitaine Wilbur F. Nutting, dixième à partir du haut de la liste des vétérans de la Seconde Guerre mondiale du comté d'Orange, en Floride.

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The screenshot shows the website for the Central Florida Veterans Memorial Park. The header includes the park's logo and name, a video player for a special message, and a navigation menu. Below the menu is a search bar with the text "Search for Veterans Below". The search bar has four input fields: "Enter Veterans Name", "Conflict", "Branch", and "Wall Location", followed by a "Search" button. The search results section displays the name "Nutting, Wilbur F." and the details "Conflict: World War II, Branch: US Army, Wall Location: World War II".

Enter Veterans Name	Conflict	Branch	Wall Location	Search
Nutting, Wilbur F.	World War II	US Army	World War II	

Central Florida Veterans Memorial Park

On November 11, 2013, Central Florida dedicated a memorial honoring approximately 1,200 veterans from Orange, Lake, Osceola, Seminole, Brevard, and Volusia counties who made the ultimate sacrifice and never returned home. Among the names inscribed on the memorial is Wilbur's, commemorated alongside the fallen servicemen of World War II.

Le 11 novembre 2013, la région de Floride centrale a inauguré un mémorial en l'honneur d'environ 1 200 anciens combattants des comtés d'Orange, de Lake, d'Osceola, de Seminole, de Brevard et de Volusia qui ont fait le sacrifice ultime et ne sont jamais rentrés chez eux. Parmi les noms inscrits sur le mémorial figure celui de Wilbur, commémoré aux côtés des militaires tombés au combat pendant la Seconde Guerre mondiale.

"Nutting," database, *Central Florida Veteran Memorial Park*, (<https://www.veteransmemoriallakenona.org/> accessed June 10, 2026), entry Nutting.

https://www.veteransmemoriallakenona.org/?post_type=veteran&s=nutting&war=world-war-ii&branch=&wall=

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