



Arthur Givens (19.. – 19..)

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My Veterans Research Project was on Arthur Givens. Sadly, I was not able to find any substantial information about him. I was, however, able to find his date entered into the army which was October 1917, date discharged was January 1919, and his death date is July 27, 1968. This information was given to me by Jesus. I located him at ~ ~ address was given to me by my friend Sonia who is also doing the project. I emailed Jesus asking for information on my veteran as well as hers and that was all the information he could give me. Along with this I did many other things to try to find information about Arthur Givens, but sadly I wasn't able to. I spent hours at the Chula Vista Library looking through magazine articles of the Star Newspaper. I looked through obituaries as well as any articles under the last name of Givens. I also looked through several newspapers which came out around the date of his death. All this gave me no information. I also went on several veteran web sites to try to find information, but was also unlucky. I tried calling the Veterans Administration Affairs Office, the County Office of Records, and the Office of Birth Certificates. After many calls and much searching; I was empty of ideas, so I went to my last resort which was contacting a private investigator to see if he could help me find a relative of Mr. Givens. After I gave him the information that I had, the private investigator, Oscar Garcia (***-****), told me that he could not find any information here in San Diego because he believed that my veteran had died in Los Angeles and believed that his mother may still be alive in Los Angeles, but his fee would be much higher to continue the search because he would have to be contacting investigators from L.A. Due to the fact that I am only a student and that the money was coming out of my pocket, I had to refuse the offer of continuing the search for more money. This gave me sufficient information to know that I was not going to be able to find any information on Arthur Givens here in San Diego and that if I wanted to continue my search I would have to do so in L.A. Because I am not wealthy, I have had to stop my research. So, in conclusion, I am sorry to say that I have not found any useful information about Arthur Givens.

A street in the Sunbow community of Chula Vista honors his name.

