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Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

TUSCANIA

Smither, Thomas McCourt
1892 TX – 1976 CA



THOMAS McCOURT SMITHER.

*He could distinguish and divide
A hair twixt south and southwest
side.*

Mines; Reno, Nev.

Thomas McCourt Smither – University of Nevada yearbook 1913 -
https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/1265/images/40807_520307001_0069-00038?pld=263227360



N. Gray and Company > 1976 > December

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 2153

STATE OF CALIFORNIA—DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
OFFICE OF THE STATE REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS

USE FILE NUMBER

1. NAME OF DECEASED—FIRST NAME WILLIAM		3. MIDDLE NAME MC COLT		5. LAST NAME SMITH		7. DATE OF DEATH—MONTH DAY YEAR DECEMBER 1976 0530 hrs		9. SEX Male		11. RACE White		13. PLACE OF BIRTH Temple, Texas		15. DATE OF BIRTH Nov. 26, 1892		17. AGE 84		19. MARITAL STATUS Married		21. NAME OF SURVIVING SPOUSE—IS WIFE ENTER MARRIAGE NAME Edna F. Carse															
2. NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER John Thomas Smith -- Texas				4. NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER Kathleen Saunders -- Texas				6. NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER John Thomas Smith -- Texas				8. NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER Kathleen Saunders -- Texas				10. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY USA				12. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 546-07-3579				14. NAME OF LAST EMPLOYER (BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY) Land Purchaser				16. NAME OF LAST EMPLOYER (BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY) P.G. & E. Co.				18. NAME OF LAST EMPLOYER (BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY) Utilities			

DECEDENT
PERSONAL
DATA

101. PLACE OF DEATH—NAME OF HOSPITAL OR OTHER INSTITUTION San Francisco General Hospital		102. STREET ADDRESS—STREET AND NUMBER OR LOCATION Potrero & 22nd Ave.		103. CITY OR TOWN San Francisco		104. COUNTY San Francisco		105. STATE California		106. ZIP CODE 94133	
107. USUAL RESIDENCE—STREET ADDRESS—STREET AND NUMBER OR LOCATION 3336 Laguna St. #201		108. CITY OR TOWN San Francisco		109. COUNTY San Francisco		110. STATE California		111. ZIP CODE 94133		112. NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF INFORMANT Mrs. Edna Smith 3336 Laguna St. #201 San Francisco, Calif. 94133	
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125. FUNERAL DIRECTOR AND LOCAL REGISTRAR N. GRAY & CO.		126. DATE 12-29-76		127. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATION Cypress Lawn Cemetery		128. LOCAL REGISTRAR Unknown		129. DATE OF DEATH 12-29-76		130. TIME OF DEATH 0530 hrs	

MEDICAL AND HEALTH DATA

CAUSE
OF
DEATH

23. PART I: DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:
(A) IMMEDIATE CAUSE
(B) DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF
(C) DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF
(D) DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF

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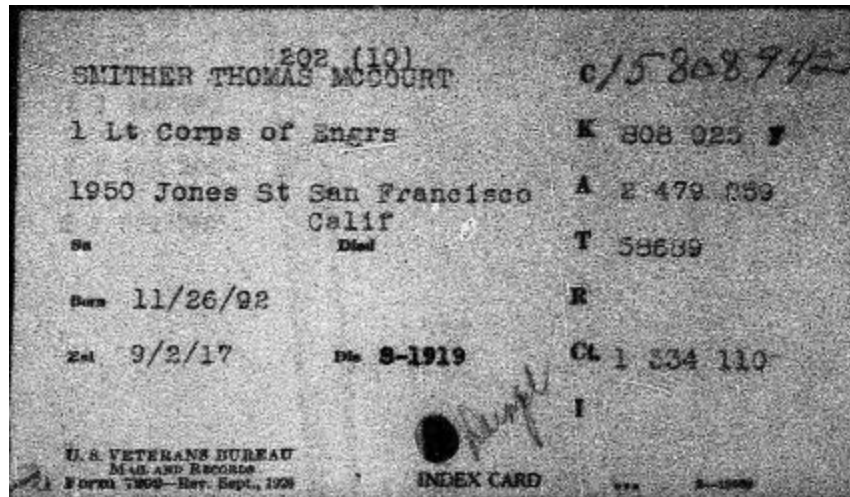
APPROPRIATE
INTERVAL
STAYING
AND
SLASH

33. SPECIFIC ALCOHOL, DRUGS OR POISONS Unknown		34. PLACE OF INJURY (STREET AND NUMBER OR LOCATION OR CITY OR TOWN) Unknown		35. INJURY AT WORK Yes		36. DATE OF INJURY—MONTH DAY YEAR Unknown		37. HOUR Unknown	
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STATE
REGISTRAR

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10-7-76



<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:WWKX-4Y3Z>

<https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2118/images/B020123-00679?pId=440993>

Thomas McCourt Smither

Vital • Texas Births and Christenings, 1840-1981

Name	Thomas McCourt Smither
Sex	Male
Birth Date	26 Nov 1892
Birthplace	Temple, Bell, Texas, United States
Father's Name	John Thomas Smither
Father's Sex	Male
Mother's Name	Kathleen Shelley Saunders
Mother's Sex	Female
Event Type	Birth

<https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/sources/GM74-MV4>

Life:

HARRIS NOMINATED FOR WEST POINT

Special to Gazette.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 4.—Senator Nixon today nominated Arthur Harris principal, and Thomas Smithers and George Abel alternates for the cadetship at West Point. There were numerous candidates seeking nomination, through political preferment, but Senator Nixon who is authorized under the law to make nominations preferred to give equal opportunity to all young men of the state. As a result a competitive examination was held under the auspices of the university and it was upon the result of this examination that Senator Nixon based his appointment of today.

“Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal” Wednesday 5 May 1909 p 6

WEST POINT APPOINTMENT

Thomas M. Smithers has been honored by United States Senator Newlands with the appointment as cadet to West Point from this state. Smithers is a well known young man of this city.

“Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal” Friday 15 Oct 1909 p 5

U. OF N. STUDENT HAS MISHAP IN LABORATORY

Thomas Smithers, a student at the University of Nevada, is minue some of his hair as the result of a slight mishap in the chemical laboratory of the university Saturday. Smithers was conducting some experiments when ther was an explosion and the flames singed his head. Aside from a slight scorching of the skin and the burning of some of his hair he was not seriously injured.

"Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal" Monday 18 Nov 1912 p 7

Announcement is made this afternoon of the formal program for Wednesday morning, May 14, at the University of Nevada, when the members of the 1913 graduating class will receive diplomas.

College of Engineering

Theses in candidacy for the degree of Bachelor of Science, Mackay school of mines: The Construction of Apparatus for Testing the Applicability of the Flotation Process, Arthur Icard Reynolds; The Design of a Gold-Ore Treatment Plant, Thomas McCourt Smither.

"Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal" Monday 12 May 1913 p 1

*** MINES OF WONDER PRODUCING STEADILY**

Thomas L. Smithers, field engineer for the Wonder mines and a graduate of the University of Nevada, returned to Wonder this morning after visiting in Reno for several days. Mr. Smithers says that Wonder is one of the best camps in the state and is getting better daily. About 150 men are working on the property and in the mill, a steady shipment of bullion is being made every 10 days. Development work in the main shaft is progressing steadily and several leasers are working properties in the vicinity of the camp. Mr. Smithers has been at the Wonder property for a year.

"Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal" Monday 8 Nov 1915 p 5

SECURES COMMISSION IN ENGINEERS' CORPS

Thomas M. Smithers, a graduate of the Mackay School of Mines with the class of 1913 received a commission yesterday as first lieutenant in the engineers section of the officers reserve corps. His appointment dates from July 30. Smithers is a well known Reno boy and has been engaged in mining in Nevada since finishing his work at the university.

"Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal" Tuesday 14 Aug 1917 p 6

MORE MEN NAMED TO LEAVE FOR CAMP LEWIS

The district board today certified back to the local board a list of men who will entrain for the American Lake training camp for service on the evening of November 3, the men being a portion of Washoe county's final increment of the draft army. The men certified for service are:

Will E. Melarkey, 649 S. Virginia street.

Harry Cleveland Schlette, St. Charles hotel.

Thomas Jerry Wilson, Box 12, Reno.

Frank E. Parias, 220 S. Center street.

John Victor Mueller, 401 Flint street.

Henry Arthur Carl, 1134 D. street, Sparks.

Agostino Gatti, 1007 Washington street.

Thomas McCourt Smither, 429 Walnut street.

William Conradt, 837 W. Fifth street.

Paul Copper Barker, 431 W. Fourth street.

Alfredo Quilici, 832 C. street, Sparks.

Lee Ross Nelson, 33 W. Eighth street.

[list continues]

"Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal" Friday 26 Oct 1917 p 8

HAS COMMISSION IN REGULAR ARMY

Thomas McCourt Smithers, certified yesterday by the district board to report at the American Lake training camp, now is in the engineering corps of the regular army. He has a commission as first lieutenant and is stationed at Fort Leavenworth. His father stated today that Lieut. Smithers expects to leave for France in a short time. Several other Washoe county men certified by the district board also have already entered the army.

Henry Wolfson, formerly of the University of Nevada, who enlisted several weeks ago in the army, and who was commissioned as a first lieutenant statistical officer, has been transferred from Charlotte, N. C., to Camp Mills, Mineola, Long Island.

"Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal" Saturday 27 Oct 1917 p 1

RENO BOY SURVIVOR OF TUSCANIA SAFE

**Thomas J. Smither, Graduate
of U. of N., Reported
Among Survivors**

Word by cablegram was received here late last night that Lieutenant Thomas J. Smither, a Reno boy, was among the survivors of the ill fated Tuscania which was torpedoed by a German submarine February 6.

The message which was very brief merely stated that Smither was saved and is now believed to be somewhere on the British Isles.

U. of N. Graduate

Lieutenant Thomas J. Smither is a graduate of the University of Nevada and enlisted in an engineer corps in August 1916. He was about 26 years old and is well known here, especially by former students of the university of Nevada.

Mining Engineer

Smither graduated in a mining engineer course and after enlisting was sent to Kansas where he remained for some time in an officers training camp.

"Nevada State Journal" (Reno NV) Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 2

RENO MAN AMONG SURVIVORS OF TUSCANIA

Lieut. Thomas M. Smithers, formerly of Reno, was among the survivors of the torpedoed liner Tuscania, according to advices reaching his mother, Mrs. J. T. Smithers, who is now at the Y. W. C. A. hotel in San Francisco.

Lieut. Smithers was graduated from the Mackay School of Mines with the class of 1913 and was engaged in mining in Virginia City and other places in Nevada prior to receiving a commission in the engineering corps of the army last summer.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Smithers, resided in Reno for many years up until a few months ago, when they went to San Francisco where Mrs. Smithers remained. Her husband, an attorney and also interested in mining, makes frequent trips to Reno.

The news came to Reno in the San Francisco Chronicle of Sunday morning, which also had a very good picture of Lieut. Smithers.

"Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 6

ANOTHER NEVADAN AMONG SURVIVERS

Lieut. Thomas M. Smithers, formerly of Reno, was among the survivors of the torpedoed liner Tuscania, according to advices reaching his mother, Mrs. J. T. Smithers, who is now at the Y. W. C. A. hotel in San Francisco, says the Gazette.

Lieut. Smithers was graduated from the Mackey School of Mines with class of 1913 and engaged in mining in Virginia City and other places in Nevada prior to receiving a commission in the engineering corps of the army last summer.

"Yerington (NV) Times" Saturday 16 Feb 1918 p 1

LOST—On July 27th, leather brief case containing maps and papers, on county road known as Silverado Trail, between State Game Farm and Rutherford. Finder please notify, Thomas M. Smither, care of P. G. & E. Co., 245 Market St., San Francisco. Reward. x

"Napa (CA) Valley Register" Tuesday 28 Jul 1931 p 8

U. S. Sues For 1,634 Acres Of County Land

SACRAMENTO — (P) — The federal government filed four condemnation suits in the United States district court Thursday against owners of 1,634 acres of land in Shasta county sought as a part of the Central Valley project.

The owners, the amount offered by the government and the amount of property involved in each suit:

Thomas M. and Edna F. Smith-er, I. E. and Rose Zerbe and the Diamond Match company, \$9,585; 676 acres.

Shasta-Kennett Copper Mining company, J. W. Marshall and L. G. Bishop, \$1,220; 65 acres.

Maddalena Carattina, Rosa and Ray Golinsky and E. A. Gubetta, \$2,880; 295 acres.

Jennie Wade Snook, representing estate of Charles E. Snook, \$8,120; 597 acres.

“Redding (CA) Searchlight” Saturday 28 Jun 1941 p 2

Twenty-Five Years Ago Today

Thomas McCourt Smithers and Henry Wolfson of Reno were commissioned first lieutenants in the army.

“Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal” Wednesday 28 Oct 1942 p 4

Wife:

STATE OF WASHINGTON, }
County of King } ss.

Series A 18693

Marriage Certificate

THIS CERTIFIES, that the undersigned Justice of Peace
by authority of a License bearing date the 17 day of June A. D. 1931,
and issued by the County Auditor of the County of King, did on the 17 day of June
A. D. 1931, at the Court House
County and State aforesaid, join in **LAWFUL WEDLOCK** Thomas M. Smith
of the County of San Francisco Cal. and Edna F. Case
of the County of San Francisco Cal. with their mutual assent, in the presence of
W. Johnson and C. Corwin witnesses.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness the signatures of the parties to said ceremony, the witnesses and
myself, this 17 day of June A. D. 1931.

WITNESS: <u>W. Johnson</u> <u>C. Corwin</u>	PARTIES: <u>Thomas M. Smith</u> MALE <u>Edna F. Case</u> FEMALE	OFFICIATING CLERGYMAN OR OFFICER: <u>William Hoar</u> <u>Justice of Peace</u> P. O. ADDRESS _____ WASHINGTON
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Filed _____

FILED
IN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE
KING COUNTY, WASH.
JUN 20 1931

This Certificate must be filed out and recorded by the County Clerk of the County where the ceremony is performed, within 30 days after the ceremony.
—See Chapter 172, Laws of Washington of 1927.
The County Clerk's Fee for recording this Certificate is One Dollar, to be paid by the party applying for the license at the time each license is issued.
—Pierce's Code, Sec. 2713.
Failure to make and deliver a true and correct copy of this Certificate to the County Clerk within 30 days is punishable by a fine of not less than \$25.00 or more than \$300.00.
—See Pierce's Code, Sec. 2714.

ABE N. OLSON
By **LEWIS ABRAHAM** DEPUTY

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https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2378/images/83950714_1cf89f80-3244-445c-a33d-df57a963c5e6?pld=421745

Mother:

MRS. KATHLEEN SAUNDERS SMITHER.

20750

Born in Belton, Texas.

Wife of John Thomas Smither.

Descendant of Col. William Edmiston and of Robert Campbell Kennedy.

Daughter of Judge Xenophon Boone Saunders and Annie Eliza Surghnor, his wife.

Granddaughter of Dr. Joel Boone Saunders and Miriam Lewis Kennedy (b. 1803), his wife, m. 1821.

Gr.-granddaughter of Robert Campbell Kennedy and Esther Edmiston (1763-1823), his wife.

Gr.-gr.-granddaughter of William Kennedy and Martha Campbell, his wife; William Edmiston (1734-1822) and Maragaret Montgomery, his first wife.

See No. 20735.

Robert Campbell Kennedy, (1761-1815), served under his cousin, Col. William Campbell, at King's Mountain. He was born in Augusta Co., Va.; died in Lincoln Co., Tenn.

Also No. 7371.

North America, Family Histories, 1500-2000 for Xenophon Boone Saunders

D > Daughters of the American Revolution > Lineage Book : NSDAR : Volume 021 : 1897

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DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

Mother Kathleen Saunders Smither - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1946731:61157>

Sibling:

Form 1 <i>24-03</i> REGISTRATION CARD		No. _____
1	Name in full <i>Lawrence X. Smithers</i> (Given name) (Family name)	Age, in yrs. <i>28</i>
2	Home address <i>Mr. Kaspach Hotel Reno</i> (No.) (Street) (City) (State)	
3	Date of birth <i>February 18th</i> <i>1890</i> (Month) (Day) (Year)	
4	Are you (1) a natu. born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which)? <i>Natural born</i>	
5	Where were you born? <i>Belter</i> <i>Texas</i> <i>USA</i> (Town) (State) (Nation)	
6	If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject? _____	
7	What is your present trade, occupation, or office? <i>Miner</i>	
8	By whom employed? <i>Not employed</i> Where employed? _____	
9	Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother under 12, solely dependent on you for support (specify which)? <i>No</i>	
10	Married or single (which)? <i>Single</i> Race (specify which)? <i>Caucasian</i>	
11	What military service have you had? Rank <i>Private</i> ; branch _____ years _____; Nation or State _____	
12	Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)? <i>None</i>	
I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.		
If person is of African descent, tear off this corner 5238 Lawrence X. Smithers (Signature or mark)		

27-1-15-A

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

1	Hair, medium, or short (specify which)? <i>Medium</i>	Slender, medium, or stout (which)? <i>Medium</i>
2	Color of eyes? <i>Blue</i>	Color of hair? <i>Brown</i> Bald? <i>No</i>
3	Has person lost arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)? <i>No</i>	

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

ENB corner
(Signature of registrar)

Precinct *1*

City or County *Washoe*

State *Nevada*

June 10, 1918
(Date of registration)

987-A. 5238

WWI draft registration of brother Lawrence X. Smither – unemployed miner in Reno NV -
https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/21421477:6482?tid=50500455&pid=27334821890&queryId=f220e913aaee92e29809eb5b51e5efcb&_phsrc=hFB58054&_phstart=successSource

Name: Thomas McCourt Smither

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: Officer Reserve Corps, Casuals – 1st lieutenant

Serial number: US Army officers were not assigned serial numbers in WWI

Entered service from: IL

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Thomas McCourt Smither

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father J.T. Smither, 642 Jones St., San Francisco CA

Returned from war on: "Imperator" Aug 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Thomas N. [sic] Smither

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Julia T. Smither, 729 Jones St., San Francisco CA (1st Lt, 1st Engrs)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Thomas McCourt Smither - b. 26 Nov 1892 Temple TX; res: 429 Walnut, Reno NV. Single. Mining engineer for self, Reno NV. Military experience: cadet training, U of NV, Battalion for 4 years. Tall & slender.

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): San Francisco CA

World War II draft registration (1942): as Thomas McCourt Smither - b. 26 Nov 1892 Temple TX; res: 3336 Laguna St., San Francisco CA. NOK Mrs. Edna F. Smither, same address. Employed at Pacific Gas & Electric, 245 Market St., San Francisco CA. Height: 5'8 ½" – 150 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted: 2 Sep 1917

Discharged: Aug 1919

Address: 1950 Jones St., San Francisco CA

Rank/unit: 1st lieutenant, Corps of Engineers

Birth & death:

Born: 26 Nov 1892 Temple, Bell TX

Died: 27 Dec 1976 San Francisco, San Francisco CA

Find A Grave record: 87623261 – presence on Tuscania indicated in flower

Burial location: Colma, San Mateo CA

Cemetery: Cypress Lawn Memorial Park

Tombstone:

Father: John Thomas Smither, 15 Sep 1858 TX – 17 Apr 1922 San Francisco, San Francisco CA. Son of James Lawrence Smither & Emily Caroline Markham. Cremated; burial details unknown.

Find A Grave: 180638815

Mother: Kathleen Shelly Saunders Smither, Oct 1867 Belton, Bell TX – 10 Nov 1936 Santa Clara Co. CA. Daughter of Xenophon Boone Saunders (1828-1909, F: 110904244) & Annie Eliza Surghnor (1838-1915, F: 111678646). X.B. Boone started the 1st newspaper in Bell Co. TX - was the 1st mayor of Belton, Bell TX – was an attorney & district judge – served as an officer in the Confederate States of America TX Volunteer Infantry. Both X.B. & Annie were descended from Revolutionary War soldiers. X.B. was descended from Daniel Boone's sister, Elizabeth Boone.

Cremated; burial details unknown.

Find A Grave: 180639266

Parents' marriage: 17 Jan 1889

Spouse: Edna Florence Carse Smither, 21 Apr 1900 Seattle, King WA – 16 Dec 1980 Sunnyvale, Santa Clara CA. SSN 569-23-4850. Daughter of Joseph H. Carse (1852-1922, F: 5336444) & Lizzie (Elizabeth Jane) (1865-1915, F: 5336445), both born in Ireland.

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage: 17 Jun 1931 King Co. WA

Children:

Sibling:

- Lawrence X. Smither, 10 Feb 1890 Belton, Bell TX – 13 May 1931 Napa Co. CA. Presumably his middle initial X stands for Xenophon, the 1st name of his maternal grandfather. In 1910 Lawrence X. Smither was in Sparks, Washoe NV, single, a patient at the Nevada Hospital for Mental Diseases, found on line 36 of the page. – In 1930 Lawrence K. Smither, 40 TX, parents b. TX, single, was a patient at the Napa State Hospital (Insane), found on line 92 of the page. Presumably he died in the state hospital in 1931. Not on Find A Grave as of 21 Dec 2022.

Notes:

Pre-war:

"Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal" 12 May 1913 p 1 - candidate for B.S. degree from Mackay School of Mines - thesis: "The Design of a Gold-Ore Treatment Plant"

Wartime:

"Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal" 27 Oct 1917 p 3 - to leave for Camp Lewis 3 Nov 1917: Thomas McCourt Smither, address: 429 Walnut St., Reno

"Reno (NV) Gazette-Journal" 27 Oct 1917 p 3 - among those leaving for Camp Lewis 3 Nov 1917 is Thomas Smither, resident of 429 Walnut St., Reno NV.

"San Francisco Chronicle" 10 Feb 1918 p 2 – a cable of 9 Feb 1918 to his mother said he was safe. Commissioned an officer Aug 1917. Trained at Ft. Leavenworth. Attended Trinity School (NY), Lowell HS, graduate U of NV School of Mines

"San Francisco Chronicle" 11 Feb 1918 p 2 - the relative of Thomas McCourt Smithers [sic] at the YMCA Hotel, 642 Jones St., San Francisco CA received a telegram on 10 Feb that he was safe.

"Nevada State Journal" (Reno NV) 11 Feb 1918 p 2 - Lt. Thomas J. Smither - cablegram was received last night that he is safe. U of NV graduate, enlisted in the Engineers Corps Aug 1916. About 26 years old. Mining engineer. After enlisting was sent to KS.

"Yerington (NV) Times" 16 Feb 1918 p. 1 - Lt. Thomas M. SMITHERS [sic] from Reno NV is safe. Word was sent to his mother Mrs. J.T. Smithers, YWCA Hotel, San Francisco CA. Graduate of Mackey School of Mines 1913. Employed in mining in Virginia City & other NV places. Commissioned in Engineers Corps last summer.

Post-war:

Obituary:

Social Security number: 546-07-3579

Censuses:

1900 Manhattan NY

John T. Smither, 41 TX, Sep 1858, parents b. VA, married 11 years, landowner
 Kathleen T., 32 TX, Oct 1867, father b. TN, mother b. VA, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living
 Lawrence, 10 TX, Feb 1890, at school
 Thomas, 7 TX, Nov 1892, at school
 & Black servant Mary Johnson, 23 VA, Jan 1877, single

1910 Reno, Washoe NV – 141 Wert

John T. Smither, 51 TX, parents b. VA, in 1st marriage, married 21 years, mining promoter
 Katheline, 42 TX, father b. TN, mother b. VA, in 1st marriage
 Thomas, 17 TX, mining, miner, gold

1920 San Francisco, San Francisco CA

John T. Smither, 61 TX, parents b. VA, operator, gold mines
 Kathleen S., 52 TX, father b. TN, mother b. VA
 Thomas M., 27 TX, single, engineering, minning [sic/mining]

1930 San Francisco, San Francisco CA – 2060 Leavenworth St.

Thomas M. Smither, 37 TX, single, civil engineer, gas & electric power office, WWI veteran

1940 San Francisco, San Francisco CA – 3336 Laguna St. – in same house in 1935

Thomas McLord Smither, 47 TX, draftsman, public utility
 Edna F., 39 WA

1950 San Francisco, San Francisco CA – 3336 Laguna

Thomas M. Smither, 57 TX, civil engineer, gas & light company
 Edna F., 49 WA