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COFFIN, Melvin Allan (Surname.) (Christian name.) (Army serial number.) White

Residence: Detroit, Michigan. (Street and house number.) (Town or city.) (County.) (State.)

Enlisted } in the United States Marine Corps at Detroit, Michigan on 7-27-18  
Inducted (Place of application.) (Date of oath.)

Place of birth: South Lyon, Michigan: Date of birth: March 3, 1900.

Organizations served in, with dates of assignments and transfers: Parris Island 7-22-18  
Charleston, S.C., 9-17-18; Bks;

Grades, with date of appointment:

Engagements:

Wounds or other injuries received in action:

Served overseas from to

Exit from service: 12-26-18; Character Excellent.

Remarks:

Remarks (continued): \_\_\_\_\_

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