

## **MORRISTOWN NATIONAL GUARD**

**Battery F, First Field Artillery, National Guard of New Jersey**, reorganized during World War I as **104<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Trench Artillery, 29<sup>th</sup> Division, US Army**.

Organized by Samuel Hazard Gillespie, left Morristown July 23, 1917, returned March 15, 1919. The unit did not see action, the Armistice being signed when the 104<sup>th</sup> finally reached the front, in France. Five battery members died of influenza, in French encampment.

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