Captain Frederick L. Douthit, WHS 1912 or 13 WW1 and WW 2 WHS HOD 2025



Dr. Albert Einstein

In his study at Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, where he was engaged in research for the U.S. Navy, 24 July 1943. With him are Captain Geoffrey E. Sage, USN, Commanding Officer, Naval Training Station, Princeton (at left); and Lieutenant Commander **Frederick L. Douthit, USNR, Executive Officer, Naval Training Station, Princeton**. Official U.S. Navy Photograph, now in the collections of the National Archives.

When Frederick Lloyd Douthit was born on 11 September 1895, in Sioux Falls, Minnehaha, South Dakota, United States, his father, George Randolph Douthitt I, was 20 and his mother, Fannie B Kincel, was 20. He married Norma Angeline Blossom on 25 June 1919, in Minnehaha, South Dakota, United States. They were the parents of at least 3 sons and 1 daughter. He lived in Mitchell, Davison, South Dakota, United States in 1900. He died on 28 February 1957, in Sioux Falls, Minnehaha, South Dakota, United States, at the age of 61, and was buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Sioux Falls, Minnehaha, South Dakota, United States.

- Graduated from Naval Academy 1917
- Rank Captain, US Navy
- WW1- Served on the first USS South Dakota, an armored cruiser
- Commanded USS Simpson and USS Gwin
- Taught at Northwestern University
- Taught at Princeton's Naval Training School as executive officer.
- Studied with Albert Einstein at Princeton
- Photo with Einstein was on the back cover book "Relativity for the Millions"
- Youngest officer ever given a command of a destroyer.

