



2020 NATIONAL INVENTORS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

Born: Dec. 1, 1893
Died: April 18, 1963

Primary Connection:

- E.D. Bullard Co.: President

Education:

- University of California, Berkeley: 1917

Military Service:

- U.S. Army, World War I

Key Memberships/Awards:

- American Society of Safety Professionals: Member
- California Manufacturers & Technology Association: Member
- California Manufacturers Safety Committee: Chair
- International Safety Equipment Association: Member
- National Association of Manufacturers: Member
- National Safety Council: Member
- President's Committee on Industrial Safety: Member

10 Things You Need to Know About

Edward W. Bullard

Inventor of the Hard Hat

U.S. PATENT NO. 1,699,133

1. Bullard was born in 1893 in Las Vegas, New Mexico.
2. He attended Lowell High School in San Francisco, California.
3. While attending the University of California, Berkeley, Bullard was a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity.
4. He served for nine months in the cavalry in the U.S. Army in France during World War I.
5. He attained the rank of lieutenant in the Army.
6. The E.D. Bullard Co. was founded in 1898 in San Francisco by Bullard's father, Edward Dickinson Bullard. The company is now led by Wells Bullard, Edward W. Bullard's great-granddaughter.
7. He served as the chair of the rescue division for the city and county of San Francisco during World War II.
8. The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) annually awards the Bullard-Sherwood Research-to-Practice Award for exceptional efforts by NIOSH researchers and partners in applying occupational safety and health research to the prevention of workplace fatalities, illnesses or injuries.
9. He died in 1963 in Greenbrae, California.
10. Bullard held 13 U.S. patents.