

Fifth Generation

John (Johannes) Heinemann (Johann Jost^e, Johann Henrich[?]) was born in Iringshausen, near Kassel, Germany November 9, 1833 to Johann Jost Heineman and Anna Catharina Peter. He was baptized in Lutheran Church, Ihringshausen, Germany, November 17, 1833. He immigrated to the United States in 1849/1851, destination: Keokuk, Iowa where there was a strong German community. Johannes was a tailor by profession upon his arrival.

He married **Sophia Elisabeth Paul** in Keokuk, Iowa, April 29, 1859.

Sophia Elisabeth Paul (Heinrich^e), daughter of Heinrich Paul and Justine Wasmuth, was born in Ovenhausen, Hoxter, Rhine Province, Germany November 9, 1829. She was baptized 9 Nov 1829. She immigrated, aboard the SS Bremerhaven to New Orleans, to the United States, June/July 1857.

John (Johannes) Heineman died July 30, 1906 in Keokuk, IA - Lee County, at 72 years of age. He is buried in Lot A, Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk.



he wished to, with a smile on his lips, his last words being of comfort to his family who for the past two weeks have known that the death angel was hovering over the one they loved so well.

John Heineman was one of the original charter members of the German Evangelical church when it was founded in Keokuk forty-eight years ago. One by one the pioneers who signed the charter have passed away and in the death of Mr. Heineman the church loses the last one of the charter members of nearly a half century.

Mr. Heineman had been ill for some weeks past from an affection of the liver which was the beginning of the end. He knew that his days were numbered, but never did he bemoan the fact that he must soon cross the river, he being prepared to die.

He was born in Eringhaus, near Castle, Germany, November 19, 1832 and while he was still a small boy his parents passed away. Left an orphan, he struggled on as best he could until he reached the seventeenth milestone, when he determined to come to America, where he landed in 1849. In 1857 he reached Keokuk, Iowa, and engaged in his work as a journeyman tailor, he being recognized as a workman of sterling worth. That same year he was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Paul, who still survives him, as well as the following children: Mrs. George J. Schell, Mrs. Emil Kapp and Mrs. H. C. Bode, of Keokuk; John Heineman of Keokuk, and Henry W. Heineman of Columbus, Neb.

He was one of the representative German citizens of the city in which he has been an honored resident for nearly a half century. He was of a quiet, home-loving disposition, a great lover of nature and was never so happy as when with his family or when taking one of the long walks he enjoyed so much. As a churchman he was loved by the entire German Evangelical congregation, as well as by the entire community.

Sophia Elisabeth Paul died November 13, 1906 in Keokuk, IA - Lee County, at 77 years of age. She is buried in Lot A, Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk.



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*Daly Gate, Keokuk, IA, July 31, 1906
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John Heineman Goes to Reward End Comes Without a Tremor, He Being Surrounded by His Wife and Children When the Death Angel Summoned Him

HAD SMILE ON HIS LIPS

Was The Last of the Original Charter Members of the German Evangelical church in Keokuk - His Life History

At 1:20 yesterday afternoon, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Schell, 726 Morgan Street, surrounded by his faithful wife and children, John Heineman sank into his final sleep.

The end came without a tremor of pain and he died just as

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Daily Gate City, Wednesday, November 14, 1906 page 6 column 3-4:

MRS. HEINEMAN GOES TO REWARD

She Sinks into the Sleep of Death, Following the Husband She Mourned to the Land Beyond the Grave

AN ESTIMABLE WOMAN

Grief Over Death of Husband and Old Age Troubles, Responsible for her Death - Funeral Thursday

Continual brooding over the death four months ago to the land beyond the grave, brought on a complication of ailments which resulted in the death yesterday of Mrs. John Heineman, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. George Schell, 726 Morgan street. Mrs. Heineman for some years past has been in poor health and when her companion for many years gave up the battle of life a short time ago, she was obliged to take to her bed. After that she continued to get weaker and weaker, sinking into a peaceful sleep, with a smile on her lips, when the death angel summoned her. Miss Elizabeth Paul was born in Hexter, Rhine province, Germany on November 9, 1829, last Friday being her seventy-seventh birthday anniversary. She came of a noble German family well known throughout the province. On July 29, 1857, she came to this country and two years later, April 29, 1859 married in Keokuk to John Heineman. Since that time Keokuk has been her home.

Since the death of John Heineman, her husband, last July, Mrs. Heineman has lived quietly at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Schell, where her friends of St. Mary's Catholic Church, of which she was a devout member, paid her many visits in an endeavor to cheer her up and to comfort her bereavement. Her room always contained a profusion of flowers of which she was a great lover, although she frequently expressed the wish that after she was gone loving friends would refrain from sending floral tokens.

Mrs. Heineman was a devout Christian woman in every sense of the word, and even in the hours of her greatest sorrow, she always had a word of comfort for those who like herself, were bowed down with grief.

She is survived by the following children: Mrs. George Schell, Mrs. Emile Kapp, Mrs. H. C. Bode, John W. Heineman of this city, and Henry W. Heineman of Columbus, Neb. One brother is living, Edward Paul of Quincy.

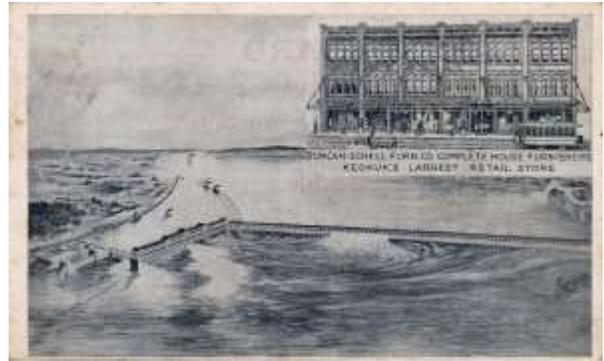
The funeral will be held Thursday morning from St. Mary's Catholic church, at 9:30 o'clock friends being invited. The burial will be private.

John (Johannes) Heinemann and Sophia Elisabeth Paul had the following children:

1. Augustus Heinemann. Shown in 1860 Census as being 2 ½ born in IA. Died BEF 1870.
2. Elizabeth Heineman was born in Keokuk, IA September 4, 1861. She married John George Shell (1860-1932).

John George Schell was the secretary of Duncan-

Schell Furniture Company of Keokuk, IA.



The company specialized in hand made furniture.

Elizabeth died September 17, 1932 at 71 years of age.

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Keokuk Daily Gate – September 18, 1932

MRS. SCHELL'S DEATH OCCURS ON SATURDAY
Life Long Resident of Keokuk Dies at Her Home 726 Morgan Street Very Suddenly Saturday Morning at 9 O'Clock.

Mrs. Elizabeth Schell a lifelong and prominent resident of Keokuk died very suddenly at her home 726 Morgan street Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Her death coming as it did with even the members of her family unaware of the seriousness of her condition, was a great shock to her many friends and the entire community. She had been ill for more than a year but was not confined to her bed.

Mrs. Schell was of a deeply religious nature and devoted to her church, working actively for its welfare as long as her health permitted. She had a great capacity for friendship and will be profoundly missed by her many close friends and acquaintances.

The daughter of John and Elizabeth Paul Heineman, she was born in Keokuk and has spent all of her life in this city where she attended and graduated from the public schools.

On May (?), 19(?) she was united in marriage with John George Schell (December 15, 1860-November 10, 1932) who survives her. Two children were born of this union.

She was a member of St. Paul's Evangelical church and of the Ladies Aid society and Seminary club.

Surviving her besides her husband are two children, Edward Schell of Washington, D.C., and Mrs. R.D. Dewey of Keokuk. There are also two brothers, John Heineman of Keokuk, and Henry Heineman of Columbus, Nebraska and a grandson, Edward Dewey, in addition to a number of nieces and nephews.

The body will be removed from the Keokuk Funeral Home to the residence, (???) Morgan street this evening. The funeral services will be held from the residence, probably Tuesday afternoon.

John and Elizabeth are buried in Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk.



John Schell and Elizabeth Heineman had the following children:



Georgia and Edward Schell

- a. Georgia Schell married Ray D. Dewey
 - i. George Edward Dewey
 - ii. Ray D. Dewey
- b. Edward John Schell (June 13 1886-Mar 11, 1949). He is buried in Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk



3. Emma⁴ Heineman, born Nov 17, 1862 - Jul 13, 1927. She married Henry C. Bode 19 Oct 1887. They had the following children:
 - a. Irwin Bode
 - b. Elsie Bode married Irv Schmidt
 - i. Betty Schmidt

- ii. Ralph Schmidt
- c. Carleen Bode married Carl Klahn
- d. Birdie Bode
4. Marie Sophie Heineman was born in Keokuk, IA April 1, 1863. She married Emil H. Kapp (1857-1928) on May 27, 1903.

Emil H. Kapp died November 30, 1928. He is buried at Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk.



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Keokuk Daily Gate – November 30, 1928
EMIL H. KAPP IS STRICKEN EARLY TODAY
Life-long Resident of Keokuk Suffers Cerebral Hemorrhage While Visiting Friends Yesterday – Dies This Morning

Emil H. Kapp died at shortly after midnight today at the St. Joseph's hospital from an attack of cerebral hemorrhage. He was stricken suddenly last evening while visiting at the home of George Schell and was immediately removed to the hospital.

He was born in Keokuk, on July 3, 1857, and spent practically all of his life in this city. At the time of his death he was seventy one years, four months and twenty-seven days old.

On May 27, 1903, he was united in marriage to Miss Marie Heineman who survives him. One child was born to this union.

He was a life-long member of St. Paul's Evangelical church, and a member of the Baraca Sunday school class. He was also a member of the Modern Woodmen and Odd Fellows lodges.

Surviving him are his wife, one son, Hubert Kapp, at home; a sister, Mrs. Victor Miller, and on granddaughter, Miss Claudine Kapp, of Clinton. He had one son by a former marriage who preceded him in death three years ago.

The funeral services will be held from St. Paul's Evangelical church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The Modern Woodmen will hold their services for both Mr. Kapp and for Leroy Gaines this evening at 8 o'clock from the Keokuk Funeral Home.

Marie Sophie Heineman died June 12, 1930 at 67 years of age. She is buried in Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk.



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Keokuk Daily Gate – May 12, 1930
MRS. E.H. KAPP CALLED TODAY AFTER ILLNESS
Life-long Resident of City Succumbs This Morning at
St. Joseph’s Hospital – Was Born in Keokuk 67 Years
Ago

Mrs. E. H. Kapp, a life-long resident of Keokuk, died at St. Joseph’s hospital at 10:17 o’clock this morning after a period of illness.
Marie Sophie Heineman was born in Keokuk on April 1, 1863, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Heinemann. All of her life has been spent in this city.
On May 27, 1903, she was united in marriage with Emil H. Kapp who preceded her in death in November, 1928.
She was a life-long and active member of St. Paul’s Evangelical church and was also a member of the Loyal Daughters Sunday school class, the Ladies Aid, the Mission Society and the Seminary Club.
Surviving her are one son, Hubert Kapp at home, a sister, Mrs. George Schell, and a brother, John Heinemann, both of Keokuk; a brother, Henry Heinemann, of Columbus, Nebr., and a granddaughter, Miss Claudine Kapp, of Clinton, besides a number of nieces and nephews.
The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Emil Kapp and Marie Sophie Heineman had the following child:
a. Hubert Kapp
5. **John Henry Heineman** was born February 1, 1867.
6. Henry W. Heineman was born January 14, 1869. He married Sophia Bode.

Henry W. Heineman and Sophie Bodie had the following child:
a. Paul Theodore Heineman was born 1901. He married Lorene.
i. Margaret Heineman married William Knorr

Henry W. Heineman died January 24, 1941 at 72 years of age. His body was interred in Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk.



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Keokuk Daily Gate – January 25, 1941
FORMER KEOKUK RESIDENT DIES

A message has been received by relatives here informing them of the death in Columbus, Nebr., last night of Henry Heineman, a former resident of Keokuk.
Mr. Heineman, a brother of the late John H. Heineman, of Keokuk, was born and reared in this city, but left as a young man to enter the tailoring business in Nebraska. He was baptized and confirmed in the St. Paul Evangelical church.
He returned to Keokuk to marry Miss Sophia Bode, of this city, and they afterwards left for Columbus, Nebr., where he spent the remainder of his life.
Surviving besides his wife are a son, Dr. Paul T. Heineman, and a granddaughter, Margaret, of Plattsmouth, Nebr.
The body will arrive in Keokuk Tuesday morning for funeral services at the Schmidt Memorial Home at 2 o’clock in the afternoon. The Rev. A.H. Bisping will have charge, and burial will be made in Oakland cemetery. Other funeral services will be held at Columbus tomorrow afternoon.

Johanna Christiana Hopp was born in Assenheim, Germany October 18, 1831.

Johanna married twice. She married Johannes III Schowalter and had the following children:

- 1. William J.⁴ Schowalter was born in Franklin, Iowa February 12, 1849. William died July 30, 1922 in St. Louis, Missouri, at 73 years of age. He married Anna Elizabeth Swaner (1851-1925) in 1871.
- 2. Mary Madaline Schowalter was born in Franklin, Iowa March 27, 1850. She married John Frederick Kiedaisch (1837-1911) on December 10, 1874.

Mary died December 15, 1910 in Keokuk, Iowa, at 60 years of age.

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TENDER LOVE IS NOW A MEMORY
Mrs. J. Fred Kiedaisch, S. Died Last Evening at the Family Resi.

HER LIFE SPENT HERE

Keokuk, the Birth Place of Estimable Woman Whose Passing Was Caused by Heart Ailment.

All Keokuk was extremely shocked today on receiving the sad intelligence of the death of Mrs. J. Fred Kiedaisch, Sr. Retiring in apparently good health at ten o'clock last evening, even the immediate members of the beloved woman's family did not realize that her passing was so near.

At eleven o'clock, an hour after going to her room, Mrs. Kiedaisch called for assistance and her daughter responding to the mother's aid, found her in a faint. A physician was immediately summoned but before arrival of medical aid, death had come. For three years, Mrs. Kiedaisch has been troubled with a heart affection and thought at times her condition was grave, lately, however, she had not intimated being seriously ill. Her retirement last evening in presumable good health and death shortly after comes as a shock of deepest sorrow to members of her family and hundreds of friends who were happy in the acquaintance of this well known woman, held in bright esteem and best of love by many.

All Her Life in Keokuk.

Mrs. Kiedaisch had always lived in this city. Mary Madeline Schowalter was born March 27, 1850, and had passed the sixtieth year of a life whose greatest joy was in the care of her family with whom she had been richly blessed. Attending the public schools of Keokuk she grew to young womanhood, the dutiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Schowalter, among Keokuk's earliest settlers, and former highly respected residents of this city.

Thirty-six years ago, the tenth day of this month, Mary Madeline Schowalter and J. Fred Kiedaisch were united in marriage. To the union eight children were born and seven now survive.

Her Christian Duties

From the time that the decedent was a young girl, she had ever been faithful in the performance of her Christian duties. Conscientious and with sweet faith, she worked willingly and with active zeal in the St. Paul's Evangelical church. For many years, Mrs. Kiedaisch was treasurer of the Ladies Aid society, auxiliary to that house of worship and was one of the organization's foremost workers. It is here, next to the place in her home which she filled as a saintly woman and Godly mother and wife, that her absence in future will be keenly felt.

Never seeking the worldly pleasures with which this life is surrounded in bounty, the first duty of the deceased woman, whose death is today mourned, was to her home. Loving dearly, children, those natural traits were of course uppermost in rearing to splendid young man and womanhood, the sons and daughters for whom her entire life was spent in making happy.

Pleasantly assisting her husband in the business duties of life, she portrayed those ideals in a wife that made her best fitted for the exalted position she held, in the home and in the eyes of all those who knew and

loved her with homage and respect.

The proportions of the largest combined drug establishments, as they stand today, centers in Keokuk's business life, are due in a large measure to the guiding mind and help of Mrs. Kiedaisch as she aided her husband in their direction with a firm and loving hand.

Those bereaved relatives who survive to mourn their loss in the death of this good woman, besides the husband, are her children: G. Arthur, Walter C., of Erie, Pa., J. Albert, Lyda F., Marie M., Karl, and Edward, and step-son, J. Fred Kiedaisch, Jr. Those sisters and brothers surviving are: William Schowalter of St. Louis, Mo., Mrs. Katherine Schwaner of Winterset, Iowa; Mrs. John H. Heineman, Mrs. Henry Pechstein, John Schowalter and Albert Burger of this city. Several grandchildren are also among the relatives.

On Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock funeral services will be conducted at the residence, 227 South Sixth Street, and at 2:30 o'clock from St. Paul's Evangelical church.

John Kiedaisch and Mary Schowalter had the following children:

- a. Lida Francis (d. November 27, 1970). She is buried in Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk



- b. Marie M. (1883-1964) She is buried in Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk.
- c. Edward
- d. George Arthur Kiedaisch (June 27, 1877-February 3, 1925)
- e. Walter C. Kiedaisch (December 15 1878 - May 12 1960) was an illustrator



- f. J. Albert (1880-March 31, 1962)
- g. Karl Kiedaisch (June 4 1886-March 2, 1957).



Karl is buried in Oakland

Cemetery, Keokuk



3. Catherine Elizabeth Schowalter was born in Keokuk, Iowa November 23, 1851. Catherine died January 17, 1934 in Hollywood, California, at 82 years of age. She married Christian Casper Schwaner (1848-1905) on November 20, 1870.
 - a. Catherine Schwaner
4. John Adam IV Schowalter was born in Keokuk, Iowa June 1, 1855. John died November 24, 1929 in Keokuk, Iowa, at 74 years of age. He married Caroline Nolkemper (January 28, 1856-March 14, 1936) on September 30, 1879. They had the following children.
 - a. Clarence Schowalter
 - b. Edward Schowalter

John and Catherine are buried in Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk.



Johannes Schowalter died June 10, 1855 in Keokuk, Iowa, at 33 years of age. Johanna Christianna Hopp then married Carl August Burger.

Carl August Burger was born in Assenheim, Germany January 24, 1827.

Carl August Burger died February 8, 1879 in Keokuk, Iowa, at 52 years of age. Johanna Christianna Hopp died May 1, 1900 in Keokuk, Iowa, at 68 years of age. They are interred in the Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk, IA.

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The Keokuk Daily Constitution-Democrat
Wednesday Evening, May 2, 1900 pg. 8

BURGER – Mrs. Johanna Christiana Burger. Tuesday, May 1, at 6:20 o'clock at the home of her son-in-law John. H. Heineman, 1320 Timea street of liver complaint, at the age of 68 years 6 months and 13 days. Funeral services Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from St. Paul's German Evangelical church. Friends of the family invited to attend.

She married twice. She married Johannes III Schowalter. Johannes was born in Assenheim, Germany August 24, 1821. Johannes died June 10, 1855 in Keokuk, Iowa, at 33 years of age. She married Carl August Burger. Carl was born in Assenheim, Germany January 24, 1827. Carl died February 8, 1879 in Keokuk, Iowa, at 52 years of age.

Carl August Burger and Johanna Christiana Hopp had the following children:

1. Elizabeth Frances⁴ Burger was born in Franklin, Iowa December 3, 1858. She married Henry Pechstein (1859-1935) on May 25, 1881.

From *History of Lee County Iowa*
The S.J. Clarke Publishing Co. 1914, Vol II, pg 169-170

Henry Pechstein was born January 16, 1859, in Keokuk, a son of Conrad Pechstein. He has always made this city his home and succeeded his father in the brewery, with whose management he is connected at the present time as secretary, his brother, George C. Pechstein, being vice president and brewmaster. The business was incorporated in 1905, being capitalized for fifty thousand dollars. It is well managed and returns satisfactory dividends, but the quality of the product is not sacrificed to financial gain.

On the 25th of May, 1881, Mr. Pechstein married Miss Elizabeth F. Burger, a daughter of August Burger and Mrs. Johanna (Hopp) Schowalter. The Schowalters were among the earliest settlers in Lee County, arriving here in the early '30s. Mr. and Mrs. Lechstein became the parents of six children, as follows: Albert Magnus, who passed away in infancy; Paul T.; John H.; Alberta; George C.; and Conrad August.

Mr. Pechstein has been a lifelong democrat, casting his first Presidential vote for General Hancock, but has never cared for office. Since 1881 he has been identified with the Independent, Order of Odd Fellows and is also a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Eagles and the Moose. Religiously he holds membership in the German Lutheran Evangelical church.

Elizabeth died June 3, 1932 in Keokuk, Iowa, at 73 years of age. She and Carl are buried in Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk.



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Keokuk Daily Gate – Sunday, June 5, 1932
MRS. PECHSTEIN DIES AT HOME FRIDAY NIGHT
Native of Lee County and Resident of Keokuk
Succumbs to Long Illness – Funeral Tomorrow

Mrs. Henry Pechstein, of 1028 Concert street, died at her home Friday at 11:10 o'clock after an illness of a year and a half. Heart trouble and other complications were the cause of her death. Funeral services are to be held from the home, in which she has lived for forty-one years, Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

A loving mother, and a friend (?) kindly deeds are remembered by many whose lives were touched by these little acts, the death of Mrs. Pechstein removes from the family circle and from her wide circle of friends, one whose memory will always be cherished by those who were closest to her. She took great joy in doing things for other people, although her first interest was in her home and her family.

Born in Franklin

Elizabeth Frances Burger, daughter of August and Johanna Hopp Burger, was born December 3, 1858 at Franklin Station in Lee county. With her parents she moved to Keokuk in 1865 and lived here until her death Friday night. She wa educated in the Keokuk public schools. Her marriage to Henry Pechstein occurred May 25, 1881. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last year. The marriage occurred at the bride's home and the Rev. Grams was the officiating pastor.

Surviving Mrs. Pechstein are her husband and five children, two grandchildren and two sisters and a brother. The children are Paul T. Pechstein, J. Henry Pecstein, Mrs. Alberta Pechstein Foster, and Conrad A. Pechstein, all of Keokuk, and George C. Pechstein of Sioux City. One sister, Mrs. Catherine Schwaner is living in Hollywood, Calif., and the brother and sister here are Albert F. Burger and Mrs. John Heinemann. The two grandchildren are Paul T. Pechstein Jr., and Henry August Pechstein. One son Albert Magnus, died in infancy.

Member of St. Paul's

Mrs. Pechstein was a mber of the St. Paul's Evangelical church, and was prominent in the Ladies Aid Society of the church, which she served for some time as president, and in Seminary Club in which she was a most active member. She attended church

services regularly and lived in the tenets of her faith.

The death of Mrs. Pechstein breaks the immediate family circle for the first time in fifty years.

Henry Pechstein died Tuesday, November 5, 1935. He is buried in Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk.



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Keokuk Daily Gate – Wednesday, November 6, 1935
Society Section
PROMINENT RESIDENT IS SUMMONED
Henry Pechstein, Co-Owner with the Late John Nagel of the Pechstein and Nagel Brewery, Dies at His Home Last Night.

At 11 o'clock last night occurred the death of Henry Pechstein former co-owner of the Pechstein and Nagel Brewery and one of the most prominent and highly esteemed residents of Keokuk. His death occurred at his home 1028 Concert street, and followed a stroke of paralysis suffered (?) Thursday.

On August 26 of this year he sustained a preliminary stroke but had apparently recovered and was enjoying good health until last week. His death was profoundly regretted by the entire community which regarded him as one of its finest and most representative citizens.

Devoted to Home

Mr. Pechstein was a kindly man and one who had a friendly word for all. There are many people in Keokuk who know hundreds of kindly deeds and acts which he performed but which were done without any ostentation or show. He loved his home and his entire life was devoted to it and to his family.

The death of his wife brought deep sorrow to him which not even his children, whom he loved dearly and to whom he was ever devoted, could lighten.

Walking was one of his greatest pleasures in later life as were his visits with friends and work about his house in his garden. Until stricken in August, he was unusually active for a man of his years, kept himself well informed and was a careful and analytical reader, always keeping abreast of the times.

Father Founded Brewery

All of his life has been spent in the brewing business. His father, the late Conrad Pechstein, founded the

Pechstein brewery in 1853 and then took in the late John Nagel as his partner. These men died within three months of each other and their wives operated the brewery in the interests of the two families until the two sons, Henry Pechstein and John Nagel were 16 and 18 years of age respectively.

At that time they took over the operation of the plant and continued it as a partnership until 1903 when they incorporated. It was operated as the Pechstein and Nagel Co. until disbanded on January 1, 1916, with the advent of prohibition. Both then retired and John Nagel died some none years ago. Family friendship was the keynote of the brewery's success through two generations and in death Mr. Pechstein will be at the side of his friend and partner, John Nagel.

One of State's Largest

This plant was one of the biggest breweries in Iowa and was located at a spot of historical importance in that the site of most of the building coincided with the beginnings of the famous old Plank road. The brewery builders were sold in 1923 to the school board and removed to make room for the new Senior High School building.

The Pechstein and Nagel families came into possession of the property which had been owned by P. Haubert by purchase in 1853. It was enlarged and entirely rebuilt in the early nineties and modernized in 190(?).

As a boy Mr. Pechstein learned the brewing business in the Schoenhofen Brewery in Chicago, Ill, and also with Dick Bros. in Quincy and with William J. Lemp in St. Louis. He was a graduate from the Whi-Hennies Brewing Institute in Chicago in 1891 as a master of the art of brewing.

Born in Keokuk

The son of Conrad and Katherine Kirchner Pechstein, he was born in Keokuk on January 18, 1859, and spent all of his life here.

On May 25, 1881, he was united in marriage with Elizabeth Frances Burger. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on May 25, 1931. Mrs Pechstein died on June 3, 1932. ___ children born to them, one of whom died in infancy.

Surviving him are the following children: Paul T. and John Henry Pechstein of Keokuk, George C, Pechstein of Sioux City, Mrs Alberta Pechstein Foster and Conrad Pechstein of Keokuk. There are two grandsons, Paul t. Jr. and Henry August Pechstein and a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Blaettner of Wyaconda, Mo.

Funeral Friday

He was a member of the St. Paul Evangelical church, being both baptized and confirmed in that church. He was a member of the Eagles lodge.

The funeral services will be held from the residence, 1028 Concert street, at 2:30 p.m. Friday. The body will remain at the Keokuk Funeral Home until Friday morning when it will be removed to the home. The family requests that friends please omit flowers.

Henry Pechstein and Elizabeth Burger had the

following children:

- a. Albert Magnus Pechstein (died in infancy)
 - b. Paul T. Pechstein
 - c. John Henry Pechstein
 - d. George C. Pechstein
 - e. Alberta Pechstein
 - f. Conrad August Pechstein born September 7, 1895, died January 23, 1958. Pvt. Company A, 139th Infantry. Buried in National Cemetery, Keokuk.
2. Emma Christina Burger was born in Keokuk, Iowa July 12, 1862. She married Jacob Schouten (1856-1927) on January 27, 1884.

Emma died March 24, 1903 in Keokuk, Iowa, at 40 years of age.

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SCHOUTEN – Mrs. Emma. E. Schouten, wife of Jacob Schouten, at the family home, 1302 Timea, aged 40 years, 8 months and 12 days. The funeral will take place from the family home Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Friends and family invited. Burial private.

Keokuk The Daily Gate City – Friday, March 27, 1903
LARGE FUNERAL ATENDANCE
Lst Sad Rites Over the Remains of Mrs. Jacob Schouten.

The Funeral of Mrs. Jacob Schouten occurred yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the late residence, 1302 Timea street. There was a large attendance of friends who gathered to pay their last mark of respect to the deceased.

The services were conducted by Reb. E.B. Nencomb, D.D. and appropriate must was rendered by a quartette composed of Mrs. J.D. Rubidge, Miss Sadie Webb, John Young, and Ben S. Jones. There was a profusion of beautiful floral pieces, many having been sent by friends.

The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: George Weisman, William Woolly, Joseph Moeller, Herman Spaan, Adolph Noelke and Theadore Bode.

Jacob Schouten died Thursday, April 28, 1927 in Keokuk, Iowa.

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Keokuk Daily Gate – Thursday, April 28, 1927
PAY TRIBUTES TO MEMORY OF J. SCHOUTEN
Local Business and Professional men lay their flowers of Remembrance on Bier of Friend.

Tributes to the memory of Jacob Schouten have been paid by business and professional men of Keokuk who have laid their flowers of remembrance on the bier of their former associate. Heartfelt appreciation of the work of Mr. Schouten, and the place which he filled in their life of Keokuk is shown in the following tributes which have been paid by his friends.

Mayor John W. Rovane – Have known Mr. Jacob

Schouten the many years; he and I were schoolmates; know his sterling qualities of heart and mind. He was an earnest friend of all the people. His efficiency and reputation has in no small degree made many enterprises in our community successful. While a strict disciplinarian he had a warm heart for all and many are the ones he has assisted with his means and advice to overcome the vicissitudes of life.

C.S. Abell – Mr. Schouten – an asset to any community, generous and willing to do his share always. A man one will never forget. I have lost a sincere friend.

Frank J. Webber – In the death of Jake Schouten, Keokuk has suffered a great loss. He was one of God's noblemen.

Harry R. Culkin – I have known Mr. Jacob Schouten practically all my business life and have always found him to be a man of very high ideals a (?) merchant and always interested in everything for the good of the community.

John Tunnelty – Jacob Schouten was an organizer and builder, he leaves behind a monument of his energy. At all times he was kind and thoughtful of others; I always could see in him his mother's features, as she gave a piece of candy to the child customer.

B.B. Hobbs – I have known Jake Schouten for over forty years since the time that I was going to the Wells school back in the 80's and he was running a cracker and candy factory on Second street. I feel that, personally, I have lost an old and true friend and Keokuk one of her most loyal citizens.

Ralph B. Smith – All Keokuk knows the Jake Schouten was one of the best citizens but very few know the help he really was to a number of our younger men. The ones he has assisted will miss him and lots of others are going to have a harder time because he is gone.

C.D. Streeter – Mr. Jake Schouten has laid down his burdens and is at rest. A man without an enemy and loved by all. His life was a success measured by the highest standard. Every citizen mourns his departure. Mr. Schouten has done much for Keokuk and I think his greatest contribution is the highly respected family he has raised who will proudly and honorably carry out his noble ideas.

E.W. McManus – in the death of Mr. Schouten Keokuk has sustained a grievous loss. His radiant personality and wise counsel will be sorely missed.

Smith Hamill – Mr. Schouten was a solid, substantial, business man of unlimited energy. Quick to separate the genuine from the makeshift, and a good friend to all deserving people.

Keokuk Daily Gate – Thursday, April 28, 1927
Keokuk Mourns Passing of Pioneer
Businessman

J. SCHOUTEN DIED AT HOME THIS MORNING

One of Most Prominent Men in Business World of City – Leader in Church and Fraternal Circles – 71 years old.

Expressions of sorrow and remorse are being heard in every quarter of the city this morning when word of the death of Jacob Schouten at his home 1302 Timea street at 6 o'clock, after an illness of three weeks, became generally known. For Mr. Schouten was a man respected, revered, and loved by everyone who knew him.

Prominent in Business World. He was prominent in the business world at Keokuk, he was a leader in every move that was for the advancement of Keokuk and the (?), and he was a friend everyone.

Golden Rule His Motto. If one were to epitomize his career he could do no better than to say that his life and his dealings with his fellow men were measured by the "golden rule." Mr. Schouten was counted one of the successful business men of the city, but this success was achieved through his own efforts and ability, and not at the expense of his fellow men. For the (?) (?) portion of his life, Mr. Schouten was known as one who dealt fairly with his associates and never took advantage of anyone, and where _____.

Head of Big Enterprise. Head of one of the biggest business enterprises in the city of Keokuk, president of one of the city's leading banking institutions, officer or (?) in a number of other business institutions of Keokuk, Jacob Schouten occupied a position of trust and responsibility that has been enjoyed by few other men.

"Could Depend on Jake Schouten" – He could always be counted on to do his share and more in any effort in which he was called to do. An instance of this was shared just recently, during his illness. Not knowing how ill he was, a group of business men with whom he was connected were discussing some project of interest to the community, and one of Mr. Schouten's associates said, "you can depend on Jake Schouten for so much. Men had confidence in his judgment, and _____."

FUNERAL OF J. SCHOUTEN TOMORROW AT 3

The funeral services for the late Jacob Schouten, pioneer business man of Keokuk, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock from his late residence, 1302 Timea street. The service will be conducted by the Rev. Robert A. Foster of the United Presbyterian church.

Jacob Schouten and Emma Burger had the following children:

- a. Hubert Schouten (1880-January 23, 1970). He married Doris Maxine Nelson

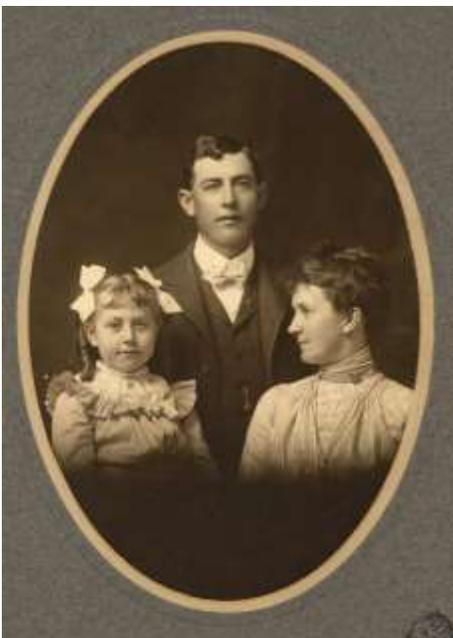


- b. Theodore Schouten
- c. Ralph F. Schouten (August 29, 1888-October 1, 1935). He is buried in Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk



- d. Verna Schouten

- 3. Bertha Ann Burger was born September 20, 1867.



Left to right: Vera, Albert and Ella Burger

- 4. Albert Frederick Burger was born in Keokuk, Iowa October 9, 1869. Albert died January 4, 1945 in Keokuk, Iowa, at 75 years of age. He is buried in Oakland Cemetery, Keokuk. He married Ella Beckwith (1872-1950) on August 16, 1893. They had the following child:
 - a. Vera Burger



Christen Jensen (Jens⁶ Hansen, Hans⁷ Pedersen) was born in Munke Bjergby Parish, Alsted, Soro, Denmark May 19, 1824 to Jens Hansen and Ellen Andersdatter. Vaccination August 3, 1824. Christen wove linen tablecloths.

He married **Maren Pouelsdatter** in Munke Bjergby Parish, Alsted, Soro, Denmark, August 4, 1854.



Church where Christen and Maren were married



Munke Bjergby Kirke Today

Munke Bjergb Kirke was built around 1140. The church consists of Romanesque north chapel, porch, tower and sacristy. The Romanesque part is constructed with small, rough and chopped ground stone and chopped granite blocks. In addition, the stone from Steven's cliff is used for decorative purposes on the outside of apsis (two chalkstones pilasters and two chalkstones semi-columns) and around the light beneath the window of the church's north wall.

The original flat wooden ceiling was replaced by Gothic vaults around 1400-1450, while the walls of the church were increased by six brick shifts. In the period around 1500, there have been added four extensions to the original church. To the west was built a tower of the monastery with a common spiral staircase to the north. At the north side of the ship is a reputable chapel built by the monastery with single, non-passing, changing of the campsite.

The porch in front of the south door is of the monk stone and with very large camp stones in the east wall. The youngest of the extensions is Sakristiet, which completely covers the north side of the choir. It is a half-house, predominantly built by the camp stones with smooth gables of the monastery.

The "scarves" found on all parts of the church around the pebbles, except where the walls have emerged recently, must originate from this restoration, although they may have been made on the basis of existing tracks, as the technique itself is known to be known in the late Middle Ages. At the time of the restoration, the porch wall was re-walled, and the windows in the church got their current large and flat-curved shape.

Due to the lack of preservation paintings, it has been chosen to emphasize the simplicity of the church room and beautiful architecture with whitewashed walls and vaults.



Maren Pouelsdatter (Pouel⁶ Christensen, Christen⁷) was born in Todderup, Alsted, Munkebjergby, Denmark April 5, 1827 to Pouel Christensen. Mothers name is unknown. She was baptized in the home, April 8, 1827.

Vaccination August 21, 1827 in Skjelleberg Parish, Love District, Holbaek Co.

Christen died July 27, 1894 aged 70 years. He is buried in Graceland Cemetery, at the west city limits of Albert Lea at junction of highways 13, 69 and county road 46 in Lot 172.

OBITUARY

*Freeborn County Standard, Albert Lee, MN
Wednesday, August 1, 1894 pg. 4 col. 3*

JENSEN – At the home of his son in this city, Friday, July 27, 1894, aged 70 years. Deceased was born in Denmark in 1824, and came to this country in 1868, settling in Faribault county, this state. Four years ago he came to this city and has since been living with his son, Peter C. Jensen, the druggist. For this past year he has been suffering with cancer of the stomach, which was the cause of his death. The funeral occurred Sunday afternoon from the Norwegian Lutheran church and the interment took place in Albert Lea cemetery. He leaves three sons to mourn his loss, Peter C. and James Jensen, of this city, and Dr. Paul Jensen of Manistee, Mich.

Maren died April 3, 1923. She is buried in Graceland Cemetery, at the west city limits of Albert Lea at junction of highways 13, 69 and county road 46 in Lot 172.

OBITUARY

*Freeborn County Standard, Albert Lee, MN
Wednesday, February 10 1892 pg 5 col. 7*

JENSEN – At the insane asylum in Rochester, Sunday morning Feb. 7th, 1892, Mrs. Mary Jensen, of la grippe, aged 64 years. Deceased was the mother of P.C. and James Jensen, the druggists of this city, and Dr. Paul Jensen, who is practicing medicine in Michigan. She was a widow, and has been confined at Rochester for the last three years, being most of the time in poor health. The funeral will occur today in this city.

Christen and Maren had the following children:



From left to right: Paul, Peter, and James Jensen



Jensen home in Munke Bjergb



Munke Bjergb Skole (school)



Dr. Paul Jensen and Catherine Hansen

1. Dr. Paul Christian Jensen (Poul Christensen) was born in Munke Bjergby Parish, Alsted, Soro, Denmark April 7, 1855.

He graduated from the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy (PhC) in 1879.



He married twice. He married Catherine Hansen in Grenville, MN, July 4, 1889. She was the daughter of Jorgen Hansen. He married Dorothy Dimple Peach in Manistee, September 12, 1900.

Dr. Jensen died August 16, 1931 in Manistee, Michigan, aged 76.

OBITUARY

Dr. P.C. Jensen Health Officer Taken by Death an office in Manistee specializing in throat, nose and ear diseases. Twice held the office of city physician here.

During his first incumbency occurred a smallpox epidemic.

His tireless devotion to his city duties at that time caused him serious financial loss in his private practice. His second term as city physician began on Sept. 28, 1926 and continued until his death.

Dr. Jensen was married on September 12, 1900 to Miss Dorothy Peach of Manistee, who survives him. He also leaves two brothers, James C. Jensen of Superior, Wis., and Peter C. Jensen of Albert Lea, Minn, and two nieces, Mrs. Katherine Jensen and Mrs. Lucille Jensen Heinemann both of Albert Lea, Minn.

Dr. Jensen had been identified with the American Medical Association, and fraternally, was a 32nd degree mason.

Dr. Jensen, all who knew him agree, was an example of practical Christianity, tender as a husband, loyal as a friend, hospitable and cordial in the home and sympathetic in the sick room. His last long illness was borne with characteristic patience.

Funeral services, in charge of the masons and Rev., J. G. Madely, will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The place where the services will be held will be announced later.

2. **Peter Christen Jensen** (Jens Peder Christensen) was born March 12, 1857.



James Jensen

3. **James Carlyle Jensen** (Jens Hansen)⁴ was born in Munke Bjerghby Parish, Alsted, Soro, Denmark, March 8th, 1867. He married Sophie Henrietta Miller August 6, 1896, Freeborn County, Albert Lea, Minnesota.

Sophie Henrietta Miller was born April 21, 1868 in Denmark. She died 8:25 am on April 3, 1923 aged 54 years 11 months 12 days at the Swedish Hospital in Minneapolis. She resided for 7 years at 1930 Newton Avenue Avenue N in Minneapolis at the time of her death.

OBITUARY

Minneapolis Tribune

JENSEN – Sophia. Passed away on Tuesday, age 54 years. Late residence 1930 Newton av. N. Funeral services Thursday at 2:30 p.m. from Bostrom Undertaking Parlors, 3008 27th av. S. Interment at Crystal Lake Cemetery.

James Jensen died March 28, 1944 in Superior, Douglas County, WI. He is buried in Graceland Cemetery, at the west city limits of Albert Lea at junction of highways 13, 69 and county road 46 in Lot 172.



OBITUARY

*The Evening Tribune, Albert Lea, MN
Thursday, March 30, 1944 pg. 9 col. 5*

J.C. Jensen Passes Away Tuesday

*Funeral Services Will Be Held Friday Afternoon At
Sether Funeral Home*

Word was received here Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock of the death of James C. Jensen at the Douglas County Home, Superior, Wis. He was seventy-seven years old and has been in poor health for some time past, and has been a patient there for years.

He is survived by his daughter, Miss Esther Jensen, Washington, D.C.; a son Carlyle Jensen, Minneapolis, Minn.; and his two nieces, Mrs. W.A. Heineman, Keokuk, Iowa and Mrs. H.D. Claybourn, Albert Lea, Minn.

The Funeral services will be held at the Sether Funeral Home Friday afternoon, March thirty-first at two o'clock. James Jensen will be buried at the Graceland Cemetery by the side of his mother and father.

Rev. Floyd A. Paterson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church will officiate.

Mr. Jensen formerly lived in Albert Lea and for a time was employed in his brother's drug store (the late P.C. Jensen) on West Clark street where the Coast-to-Coast is located.

James and Sophia had the following children:

- a. James Carlyle was born June 7, 1897 in Freeborn County, Albert Lea, MN. James died of cardiac arrest on May 24, 1975 aged 77 at the Midtown Hospital in Alameda County, Oakland, California.

Freeborn County Times

Friday, 11 June 1897 page 11 Col 1

Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Jensen are the proud parents of a bouncing boy, who arrived last Monday. All parties are doing well and Jim reports an increased cigar trade since his son's advent in the business.

James' last known occupation was as a radar man at the Alameda Naval Station (12 years). He died May 24, 1975 at 12:15 pm at the Midtown Hospital in Oakland, California. He is buried at the Mt. View Mausoleum in Oakland.

- b. Esther Henrietta was born October 12, 1899, Otis Township, Yellow Medicine County, Granite Falls, MN. Her primary occupation is listed as "secretary." Esther died of chronic pulmonary disease from heavy cigarette smoking on April 16, 1986 in Alameda County, Oakland, California at the Kaiser Foundation Hospital. She is buried at the Mt. View Mausoleum in Oakland.

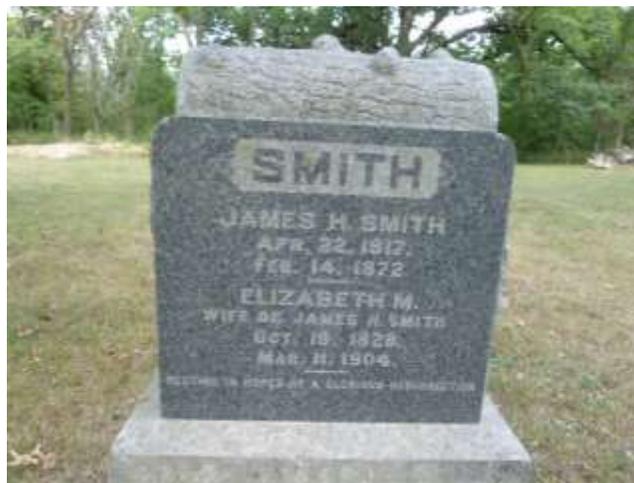
James Henry Smith (Tartan⁶, James⁷, Stephen J.K. Sr.⁸) was born in Bedford County, Virginia April 22, 1817 to Tartan Smith and Lucy Mallory.

He married **Elizabeth Marshall Duggins** in Saline County, Missouri, March 21, 1844.

Elizabeth Marshall Duggins (John D.⁶, William T.⁷) was born in Saline County, Missouri October 19, 1828.

James died February 14, 1872 in Fulton, Callaway County, Missouri, at 54 years of age.

Elizabeth died March 11, 1904 in Fulton, Callaway Co. MO, at 75 years of age. Her body was interred March 13, 1904 in Fulton township., Dunlop Cemetery with her husband.



OBITUARY

Fulton Weekly Gazette: March 18, 1904

Mrs. Elizabeth Marshall Smith departed this life March 11, 1904 at the residence of her son-in-law, R.S. Lamar. After appropriate services by Rev. W. H. Burnham, Sunday afternoon, her remains were laid to rest beside her husband in the Dunlap burying ground. Some weeks ago she sustained a severe fall, from the result of which she never entirely recovered, but the immediate cause of her death was heart failure.

She was born October 19, 1828 in Albemarle county, VA; six years later her parents John and Elizabeth Dickerson Duggins, moved to Saline county Mo., where she continued to live until some years after her marriage, March 21, 1844, to James H. Smith, who was raised north of Fulton, near Richland Church. They then moved to Callaway County to the farm east of town now owned by S.C. Smith. Here she continued to reside until about three years ago, since which time she has made her home with her youngest daughter, Mrs. Lamar.

Eight children mourn their loss of a loving mother: B.F. Smith, Minot, N.D.; Mrs. Laura Jensen, Albert Lea, Minn.; Mrs. James Bailey, Genesee, Idaho; George D. Smith, Faribault, Minn; T. Douglas Smith, Auxvasse and Granville, S.Craig and Vernonn O. Smith and Mrs. R.S. Lamar, all of near Fulton. Two others, Susan Lewis, and Ira Stephens, died in infancy.

In early life Mrs. Smith united with the Methodist church. After her removal to Calloway County, under the ministry of Elder D.M. Granfield, she united with the Christian church of

Fulton, of which church her husband was an earnest member. In the life of this good woman we have exemplified the highest type of the true Christian and the noble mother. Left a widow more than thirty-two years ago, she lived to see her children become under her guidance, honest and upright men and women. Whatever may have been her trials she was never heard to murmur. She bore her own sorrows by sharing the sorrows of others. Of a nature gifted and refined, to know her was a pleasure. She lived her religion in her daily life. Her gospel was the gospel of good cheer. To the cry of suffering and the needy, she was ever ready to turn a willing ear, giving not alone alms to the poor, but comfort and cheer to all who came her way. God in his infinite goodness lengthened her days past the allotted three score and ten, and she lived to see not only her children but her children's children rise up and call her blessed. As we looked upon her peaceful face, it was not hard for those of us who knew and loved her best to say, "She is not dead, she sleepeth." She rests from a labor well done. In this life she did whatsoever he hands found to do. God has taken he home to her reward. M.L.

James Henry Smith and Elizabeth Marshall Duggins had the following children:

1. **Laura Ann⁴ Smith** was born 22 Feb 1852.
2. Lomar Smith.
3. George Duggins Smith was born in Faribault, Minnesota September 12, 1846. George died December 25, 1934 at 88 years of age. He married Etta Agnes Spear July 1, 1906.
 - a. Horace Smith was born April 7, 1908. He married Edna Morris in Waterville, Minnesota July 1, 1939
 - i. Diane Marie Smith was born June 21, 1941
 - ii. Christine Louise Smith was born June 7, 1945
4. Granville Hudson Smith was born November 18, 1846. Granville died December 19, 1918 at 72 years of age. He married twice. He married Sallie L. Simcoe April 3, 1873.

MISSOURI STATE ARCHIVE:

Application of Granville Hudson Smith for war pension for Ex-Confederate Soldiers (1915). The purpose of the application was to certify those entitled to obtain permission under the terms of C.S.H.B. No. 465, 47th General Assembly as modified by Section 70a of the 48th General Assembly of Missouri. Granville received a pension of about 10 dollars per year.

In 1915 his residence was given as Fulton, MO. He enlisted in Company K, Woods Missouri Volunteer Cavalry Battalion in September 1864. Rank Private, and paroled at Shreveport LA on June 7, 1865 when the war ended. In his application he stated that he was never wounded, he was 69 years of age (born in 1845) and he fought at Vera Cruz MO and Brunswick MO.

Company K Officers: Captain Preston Wilkerson, Lieutenant Gus Fry Woods' Battalion Cavalry, Colonel Wickersham, Missouri Volunteers.

- a. Ellen Delila Smith was born May 15, 1874
- b. Albert Chestine Smith was born January 3, 1876. He married Rosie Houchins April 3, 1901
- c. Edgar Kerr Smith was born September 28, 1877. He married Nellie Muir October 19, 1911
- d. Marshall Canady Smith was born February 24, 1879
- e. Annie Pearl Smith was born April 10, 1882
- f. Alma Mearl Smith was born November 27, 1884
5. Finney Smith was born in Saline Co. MO July 31, 1849. Bennett died Aft 1915 in Detroit MI. He married Harriet "Hattie" Elizabeth Thomas in Calloway Co. MO, October 17, 1877.
 - a. Clarence Smith
6. Tartan Douglas Smith was born in Callaway Co., MO February 21, 1854. Tartan died August 19, 1928 in Callaway Co., MO, at 74 years of age. He married Laura Frances Houf 1884.
 - a. Grace Smith
 - b. Oanis Smith
7. Sidney Craig Smith was born in Fulton, Callaway Co. MO September 1, 1855. Sidney died June 1915. He married Belle Houchins October 3, 1900.
 - a. Sidney Smith

OBITUARY

*Fulton Missouri Telegraph, Friday, June 18, 1915
S. Craig Smith Dead Farmer Passed Away at His Home Near Fulton After Short Illness.*

Sidney Craig Smith, 60 years old, one of the well-known and highly esteemed farmers of Fulton community, died at his home on the Lamar lane, four miles northeast of Fulton at 6:45 p.m. Monday, after a short illness. Mr. Smith was taken suddenly ill last Friday and physicians pronounced his ailment valvular heart trouble, complicated by liver trouble. He had been to a neighbor's Friday morning and had eaten his dinner as usual Friday, apparently being in his usual good health. He was taken ill that afternoon.

Mr. Smith was born September 3, 1855, and the Smith family lived in Saline and Carroll counties before their removal to the Kingdom a number of years ago. They settled off the farm northeast of Fulton, where Mr. Smith was reared and which had been his home since. His parents were the late Mr. and Mrs. James Smith.

Mr. Smith was married about 15 years ago to Miss Belle Houchins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Houchins, who with a little son, Sidney Crews Smith survived him. He is also survived by five brothers and three sisters as follows: George Smith of Faribault, Minn.; Mrs. P.C. Jensen of Albert Lee, Minn.; Mrs. James M. Bailey of Saskatchewan, Canada; Finnis Smith of North Dakota; Granville Smith, T.D. Smith, V.O. Smith and Mrs Robert Lamar of Fulton.

Mr. Smith was a successful farmer and a man well thought of in his community. He came of an old Callaway family his parents settling here many years ago, and during his long residence in his home locality won the confidence and esteem of his intimates. His sudden death is a source of deep sorrow to his family,

who have the sympathy of all in their bereavement.

8. Susan Lewis Smith was born September 20, 1857. Susan died September 10, 1858 at less than one year of age.
9. Vernon Owens Smith was born in Fulton, Callaway Co. MO May 10, 1861. Vernon died January 19, 1929 in Callaway Co., MO, at 67 years of age. He married Susan Emily Galwith in Callaway Co., MO, February 3, 1892.
10. Sydonia Elizabeth Smith was born in Fulton, Callaway Co. MO October 15, 1866. She married James Monroe Bailey in Fulton, Callaway Co. MO, February 23, 1887.

Sydonia died August 20, 1962.

OBITUARY

Elizabeth Bailey

Funeral services will be held Thursday, August 23, at 11 a.m. at the Chapel of Macy and Son for Sydonia Elizabeth Bailey, 95 who died August 20, 1962.

Interment will be at Evergreen Memorial Park

Daughter of Elizabeth Duggins and James Smith, Mrs. Bailey was born Oct. 15, 1866, at Fulton, Mo. She was married to James M. Bailey Feb, 23, 1887 at Fulton, and moved to North Dakota, where they resided for 16 years, after which they moved to Idaho, where they resided for four years. Following her husband's retirement the family moved to California before moving to Neotsu. In 1943, they moved to McMinnville, where they had resided the last 19 years.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Mabel Jorgensen of McMinnville, Mrs. Marian F. Welman of Sunland, Calif., and Mrs. Malcena E. Coffee of Apache Junction, Ariz.; three sons, Landon of Regina, Sask., Canada, J. Kenneth of Roseburg, and Orville of (?), 26 grandchildren, 53 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren, six nieces and four nephews.

Sydonia and James had the following children:

- a. Mabel Bailey married Lauritta Christian Jorgensen
 - i. Shirley Irene Jorgensen married Mr. Sears
 1. Joel Norman Sears was born February 1, 1948
 2. Jerry Allen Sears was born April 21, 1950
 3. Nancy Lynn Sears was born May 14, 1957
 - ii. Rolf Bailey Jorgensen was born April 6, 1913
 1. Christine Elinore Jorgensen was born February 3, 1941
 2. Karen Louise Jorgensen was born November 18, 1942
 3. Erik Rolf Jorgensen was born March 14, 1947
 - iii. Olga Jorgensen was born June 5, 1915
 1. Robert Morris __ was born May 13, 1941
 2. Kenneth Jorgen__ was born January 13, 1946
 3. Kathy Susan __ was born June 27, 1947
 - iv. Carol Glen Jorgensen was born July 15, 1917. She married Louis Smith.

1. Linda Carol Smith was born December 29, 1942
2. Kristen Smith was born August 2, 1944
- v. Alden J. Valdemar Jorgensen was born April 16, 1921
 - b. Orville Robert Bailey
 - i. Judith Ann Bailey was born February 2, 1938
 - ii. James Denis Bailey was born February 25, 1940
 - iii. Michael Howard Bailey was born May 23, 1947
 - iv. Patrich Bailey was born June 9, 1949
 - v. Fay Elaine Bailey was born October 2, 1951
 - c. Landon Forest Bailey was born September 21, 1889
 - i. Calvin Glen Bailey was born June 7, 1918
 1. Joan Louis Bailey was born April 27, 1941
 2. Charlotte Ann Bailey was born April 25, 1945
 3. Mervin Leslie Bailey was born September 29, 1952
 4. James Louise Bailey was born June 10, 1952
 - ii. Donald John Bailey was born 1920. He married Susan L. Bailey (1920-)
 - iii. James M. Bailey was born 1922. James died 1952
 - iv. Mervin Bailey was born 1926
 - v. Dale Bailey was born 1929
 - d. Cordie Merle Bailey was born March 30, 1891. She married Chester A. Larson December 1912. Cordie died February 1947
 - i. Viola Racine Larson was born October 5, 1913. She married Clyde G. Armistead 1939
 1. Zen Armenstead was born 1941
 2. Dorn Arminstead was born 1941
 3. Merle Frances Arminstead was born May 30, 1943
 4. Cena Belle Armenstead was born May 19, 1945
 5. William Larsen Armenstead was born June 1946
 6. Glen Armenstead was born April 1948
 7. Barry Dale Armenstead was born June 1949
 8. Ardel Lisa Arminstead was born June 1950
 - ii. Faye Larson was born January 27, 1919 in Neilburg Saskatuan, Canada. She married John Hope
 1. John Hope was born 1942
 2. Merle Mary Hope was born 1949
 - iii. Merle Larson was born February 24, 1923
 - iv. Lois Larson was born July 18, 1923
 - e. Glen Bailey was born June 8, 1893. Glen died September, 1915
 - f. Albert Virgil Bailey was born January 3, 1895.
 - i. Kenneth Eugene Bailey was born July 17, 1927
 - ii. Loretta Bailey was born August 26, 1930

- iii. Melvin Bailey was born September 13, 1936
 - iv. Judith Bailey was born June 4, 1941
 - g. Malcena Bailey was born November 28, 1897
 - h. Marion Frances Bailey was born January 29, 1900. He married Miss Wellman.
 - i. Wally Gene Welman
 - i. James Kenneth Bailey was born March 25, 1902. He married Katherine Slade
11. Lucy Frances Smith was born in Fulton, Callaway Co. MO November 7, 1868. Lucy died March 3, 1961 at 92 years of age. She married Robert Spencer Lamar (1871-1943) on March 22, 1898.
 12. Ira Stephens Smith was born September 8, 1871. Ira died October 5, 1871 at less than one year of age.

John Bethel Claybourn (c. Joshua⁷) was born Dec 24, 1846 in Jefferson County, IL. He married Ellen Clink July 4, 1868. John died Mar 19, 1937.



John Bethel's Family. Standing (left to right): John Geronald, Mort, Minnie, Walter Wayne, and Harry. Sitting (left to right): Leslie, Ellen, John Bethel, and Carrie.

John Bethel Claybourn was born 24 December 1846 at Texico, Jefferson County, Illinois. In the Civil War he served the last six months with the 136th Illinois Volunteer Infantry.

On 4 July 1866, he married Mary Ellen Clink ("Ellen"), born 6 September 1848, in Van Wert County, Ohio. They celebrated the day by listening to addresses delivered by Generals Ulysses S. Grant and William T. Sherman at the Independence Day Celebration in Salem, Illinois. They lived for twelve years at Rome (Dix), Illinois where "Uncle John" was employed as a wagon maker. In July of 1878 he made a covered wagon, bought a span of mules and drove to Glenville, Minnesota, with his wife and four children where they located on a farm. The trip took them twenty-five days.

Roughly four years later, in 1882, they moved to a farm north of Albert Lea which is now the site of the Albert Lea Golf and Country Club. They lived there two years and then moved into town (Albert Lea) where "Uncle John," a carpenter and wheelwright by trade, secured employment in the local wagon factory. With the exception of one year, the

family lived at 204 South Pearl Street from 1885 on through John's death.

On 4 July 1936, John and Ellen celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary. The Albert Lea newspaper published their pictures, the above information about them, and stated that they were believed to be the oldest married couple in Minnesota.



"Mr. Claybourn will observe his 90th birthday next December 24th. He is in remarkably good health, has never used tobacco, coffee, tea or any intoxicating liquor, but drinks milk three times a day. He maintains a keen interest in modern affairs and is especially interested in political events. Recently, however, he's been busy supervising the shingling of the house he owns next door, climbing ladders and laying shingles.

"Mrs. Claybourn will be 88 years of age next September 6th. She, too, is enjoying good health and is of the opinion that life today is much better than it was when she was young. Both Mr. and Mrs. Claybourn claim that a successful marriage such as theirs has been is largely a matter of sacrifice and cooperation, and both declare that they believe no other couple that have been married half as long have had so few differences."

He died eight months after this celebration on 19 March 1937. "Aunt Ellen" died roughly three years later on 2 April 1940. Both are buried in Albert Lea, Minnesota.

OBITUARY

John Bethel Claybourn, son of William D. and Francis Alice Claybourn, was born on a farm near Dix, Jefferson County, Illinois, December 24, 1846 and passed away at his home in Albert Lea, Minnesota, March 19, 1937 reaching an age of ninety years, two months and twenty-six days.

The Claybourns were a prominent English family tracing their history back to the 11th Century. The American branch of the family came over with the Capt. John Smith expedition in 1607 and founded Jamestown, Virginia. The main branch was identified with the south but there was

also a line in the north so that in the civil war, brother faced brother in the desperate struggle.

On July 4, 1866 Mr. Claybourn was united in marriage to Ellen Clink and they continued to reside in Illinois until July, 1878 when they moved to a farm near Glenville, Minnesota. In 1887 they moved to Albert Lea where they continued to live until the time of his death. To this union nine children were born, two of whom died in childhood. This marriage has proven most remarkable in that this couple were approaching their seventy-first wedding anniversary. Maintaining for some time the record for the longest union in the state and one of the longest records in the entire country.

In 1864 Mr. Claybourn enlisted in the Union army under Captain C. Scott, Co. E. 136th Regiment, Illinois Infantry Volunteers and was honorably discharged at the close of the war.

By trade Mr. Claybourn was a wheel-right which craft he pursued for some years after coming to Albert Lea, later becoming a building contractor, constructing many buildings in this vicinity. Mr. Claybourn was a very active member of Robson Post No. 5, being one of the two last survivors of this post, the other being Comrade Gardner Loudon of Glenville.

During the ministry of Reverend Mosher, Mr. Claybourn became a member of the First Baptist church of this city, a relationship which he maintained until the time of his departure. For a number of years he served as a deacon and when advancing age made it necessary to limit his activity, he was made Deacon-Emeritas, and honor which he has held to the close of his career.

Funeral services were held at his home, 204 South Pearl street, the Reverend Chas. B. Stephens, American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars officiating, military rites being held at the cemetery.

A mixed quartet sang "Face to Face" and "When the Roll Is Called up Yonder."

Mr. Claybourn leaves to mourn his loss his widow and children, Mrs. Gus Thomas of Crosby, Minnesota, Wayne Harry D. Minnie and Mort of Albert Lea, Lex of Milwaukee, Wis., and John of Pedro Miguel, Canal Zone, sixteen grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren.

Interment was made in Graceland cemetery, March 22nd.

Out of town relatives were Mrs. Guy Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Claybourn.

The deceased was a loving husband and father and a faithful church member all his life. His loss will be felt not only by his family but by the whole community.

Ellen died Apr 2, 1940.

OBITUARY

Death Comes To Mrs. J. B. Claybourn

April 3, 1940

Long Time Resident of Albert Lea Died Last Evening

Last evening, Tuesday, April 2, death took one of Albert Lea's oldest citizens and long time resident – Mrs. J. B. Claybourn.

Death came at her home 204 South Pearl street at 6:20 o'clock. She would have been ninety-two years of age on her next birthday. She has been in failing health for some time past. A few days ago she suffered a stroke and failed

continuously until death came. Her husband, a Civil War veteran died march 19, 1937 at the age of ninety years.

Seven children survive: Wayne, Harry, Minnie, and Mort, all of Albert Lea; Leslie of Milwaukee, Mrs. Thomas of Crosby, Minn. And John of Panama. Minnie, who lived with her mother has been constantly at her bedside, caring for her both day and night. While her father was ill she was just as devoted to him.

John and Ellen had the following children:

1. Carrie May Claybourn Carrie was born on 24 May 1867, in Rome (Dix), Illinois, and died on 3 August 1940, in Crosby, Minnesota, where she is buried. Carrie married (1st) Jess Marlett on March 1886 (3 August 1861 - July [?]). They had four children:
 - a. Charles Herbert Marlett was born on 17 July 1887, in Albert Lea, Minnesota. Charles married Carrie Evva Larson (born 31 July 1885) on 17 November 1909. They had one child:
 - i. Herbert Dwight Marlett. Born 1 November 1910 in Albert Lea, Minnesota. Herbert married Dolores Exelby (born 15 September 1916) on 15 August 1936.
 - b. Arthur Ray Marlett was born on 26 April 1889 in Albert Lea, Minnesota, and died in 1921. Arthur was married about 1914 to Flossie Steen. Flossie was born in 1889 in Forest City, Iowa and died in November of 1940. The couple had three children:
 - i. Baby died in infancy
 - ii. Carrol (a boy) born in 1918. He married Bernice Ortonville, and they had at least one child.
 - iii. Donald, born in 1921.
 - c. Minnie Grace Marlett was born 3 September 1891, in Albert Lea, Minnesota, and married George Ryan. The two lived in Texas and had no children.
 - d. John Earl Marlett was born 19 November 1893 in Albert Lea, Minnesota. He married Irene (last name unknown) in 1920 and they had no children.

Carrie married (2nd) in 1911 or 1912 to Harry Wenhomer in Burlington, Iowa.

- e. Child died in infancy
- f. Walter Earl Wenhomer was born in Burlington, Iowa, but went by the name of W.D. Thomas. He married and lived in Dallas, Texas, and had two children. He had died by 1957.
- g. George Wenhomer was twin; the other baby had died in infancy. He was born in Burlington, Iowa, and went by the name of G.L. Thomas. He married and lived in Dallas at 1334 Hudspeth St. (Note: A George Little Thomas, 4033 Buena Vista, was listed in the Dallas Directory in 1958.)

Carrie Mae married (3rd) Gus Higgenbotham who changed his name to Gus Thomas of Crosby, Minnesota.

2. Henry Arthur Claybourn was born 3 June 1867 in Rome (Dix), Illinois and died in October of 1877.
3. Lillie Myrtle Claybourn was born on 7 October 1871 in Rome (Dix), Illinois and died July 1872.
4. Walter Wayne Claybourn was born on 9 May 1873, in Salem, Illinois. Walter lived in Albert Lea, Minnesota and married on 28 February 1900, to Myrtle Dowd (born 17 September 1879 in Geneva, Minnesota). He died on 3 March 1964. Walter and Myrtle had four children:
 - a. Wilfred Wayne Elliott Claybourn was born on 29 April 1906 in Albert Lea, Minnesota, and died in 1961. He married Myrle June Stearnes (born 6 April 1910, in Waseca, Minnesota) on 2 October 1930. Myrle's parents were Floyd Stearns and Grace Fairly Stearns. Myrle graduated from Albert Lea High School in 1926. After her graduation in 1929 from Winona State Teacher's College, she taught school in rural Freeborn County and in the Freeborn schools. She was an employee of the *Albert Lea Tribune* newspaper for 25 years. Roughly seven years after her husband Wilfred's death in 1961, Myrle re-married to Lester Johnson of Freeborn, Minnesota, in 1968. Lester would pass away in 1997. Myrle was a member of the United Methodist Church of Albert Lea, where she was baptized and married. She is a past member of the Business and Professional Women's Association and was active as a Cub Scout den mother. Her hobbies were reading, crocheting, knitting and embroidery. Myrle passed away peacefully on 25 November 2007, at the age of 97. She is buried at Graceland Cemetery in Albert Lea.

Wilfred and Myrle had three children:

- i. Joanne Claybourn Crouch of Rancho Mirage, California
 - ii. Sharon
 - iii. Stephen ("Steve") Claybourn of Randleman, North Carolina
- b. Florence Merideth Claybourn was born on 27 December 1908, in Albert Lea, Minnesota. She married Gilmore Johnson



Florence and Gilmore had one child:

- i. Karen, born 4 March 1948
- c. Gertrude Avis Claybourn was born 1 November 1910, in Albert Lea, Minnesota. Gertrude married James E. Hill and the two lived in Arlington, Virginia. She died of a stroke in England in 1982. She had at least two children:
- i. Judith Hill, born 14 December 1939, in Minneapolis, Minnesota
 - ii. Jim Bob Hill
- d. Helen Louisa Claybourn was born 6 March 1915, in Albert Lea, Minnesota. She lived in Austin, Minnesota for much of her life. She married (1st) on 28 February 1940, to Willard Munson (born 10 February 1910 in Iowa). They had one child:
- i. Charles Munson

Helen married (2nd) Orrie White.

5. **Harry Durward Claybourn** was born March 21, 1875. He married Trena Johnson, daughter of Jim Johnson, she born in Lerdahl, Norway. She died October 12.

OBITUARY

Death Came at 8:40 o'Clock This Morning, After Lingered Illness of Several Years – Funeral on Tuesday

Mrs. Harry D. Claybourn at 129 Bridge Street, passed away at 8:40 o'clock a.m. October 12, after a lingering illness of several years. Her maiden name was Miss Trena Johnson who lived near Geneva and was a daughter of Jim Johnson.

Mrs. Claybourn was born at Lerdahl, Norway, and was 62 years, 8 months, and 19 days at the time of her death.

Those who survive her are her husband, H. D. Claybourn, their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ione and Al Ranstad of this city; one sister, Mrs. Hulda Jones, First Avenue west; two brothers, O. P. Johnson of Geneva, and Jim Johnson, at Spokane, Wash.

Mrs. Claybourn was an active member of the First Baptist church of Albert Lea. She was loved by everyone who knew her and of her fine disposition, and will be greatly missed by her many friends and acquaintances.

The funeral will be held at the residence at 1:30 o'clock and at the First Baptist church at 2 o'clock on Tuesday, October 16. Rev. F. W. Madson of Winterset, Iowa, assisted by the pastor, Rev. C. B. Stephens, will officiate.

Harry and Trena had the following child:

- a. Iona Claybourn, born August 3, 1897 in Albert Lea, MN, died March 24, 1970 Albert Lea. She married Albert Ranstad of Battle Lake, Minn. He was a prominent businessman in Albert Lea, his company being the motor supply on Newton Avenue.
- He married **Catherine June Jensen**, December 25, 1935.
6. Minnie Claybourn was born November 1, 1877. She died March 20, 1943. She never married.

Suffered Complete Stroke Thursday

Mar 19, 1943

Thursday afternoon Miss Minnie Claybourn suffered a complete stroke of paralysis while at her home 204 South Pearl street. When she got up yesterday morning she complained of a severe headache. No hope of her recovery is entertained. Miss Claybourn's brothers Lex and John have been notified. John is located at the Panama Canal. Lex of Milwaukee, Wis. will arrive in Albert Lea this evening.

OBITUARY

Miss Minnie Claybourn Passes Away
March 20, 1943

Death Came Early Today at her Home On South Pearl Street

Miss Minnie Claybourn passed away at her home on South Pearl street early Saturday morning, after a short illness, following a stroke of paralysis.

Miss Claybourn was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Claybourn of Albert Lea. She is survived by her five brothers, Wayne, Harry and Mort of Albert Lea, Leslie of Milwaukee and John of the Panama Canal Zone.

Services will be held at the Bonnerup Funeral Home at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 23, Interment will be made at Graceland cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Claybourn arrived in Albert Lea last evening. John flew from the Canal Zone to Miami, Fla. Yesterday, is now enroute from there to Albert Lea.

7. Mourten "Mort" Franklin Claybourn was born on 15 August 1881, in Glenville, Minnesota. He occasionally spelled his name "Morton", but he was generally known simply as "Mort".

Mort married Nellie B. Hill (born 27 December 1884). Nellie's lineage has its own notable history. Nellie's mother, Ella, grew up on a large plantation with its typical palatial home owned by Nellie's grandfather (on her mother's side), Philip Echols. He was a broker and plantation owner.



Nellie with one of her children

The Echols' plantation was in the center of much of the upheaval of the Civil War as it lay in the direct path of Sherman's march to the sea and suffered the fate of the depredations of war. The home was taken by the Union and was converted into a hospital where Ella's mother (Nellie's grandmother), with the help of Negro slaves, cared for the wounded Union soldiers.



Mort and Nellie Claybourne

After the devastation of his holdings, Philip moved to Columbus, Nebraska, to start life anew. Once the family moved to Nebraska Ella met Charles L. Hill, who was engaged in educational work and bookbinding. They married and would go on to have eight children, including Nellie.

Mort and Nellie began spelling the name "Claybourne" due to a family feud in which Nellie thought a brother-in-law had wronged her; thereafter the family was split. Mort died on 14 December 1959 and Nellie followed roughly nine years later on 17 December 1968. They had seven children:



- a. Charles Franklin "Frank" Claybourne was born 7 July 1916, in Albert Lea, Minnesota. He learned his life's values growing up in Albert Lea where he was an Eagle Scout, delivered newspapers and graduated from Albert Lea High School in 1932. Frank received a B.B.A. degree in 1937 and an L.L.B. degree in 1943, both from the University of Minnesota. He married Ingrid Larsen, who was born on 17 January 1918 in Hawaii.



Frank and Ingrid in 1968

They had three children, while Frank returned to attend the University of Minnesota Law School and then to practice law as a litigation attorney with Doherty, Rumble and Butler in St. Paul. Later they moved later to Wyoming, Minnesota. Frank led a very active career participating in everything from youth corrections to court reform. He serving as president of the Minnesota Bar Association (1979-1980), and Ingrid studied painting. Both Ingrid and Frank were active in civic and community affairs.

Their niece Beverly Nell wrote of Ingrid, "She always had a smile and a soft twitter of laughter ready. Her long black hair which seemed so exotic for a woman of her generation from Minnesota, must have come about on account of her being

born in Hawaii." Ingrid died on 2 September 2007. Frank died peacefully at home on 28 July 2011, at the age of 95. They had three children:

- a. Stephen "Steve" Claybourne was born on 14 June 1943 in Minneapolis, Minnesota.



Albert Lea Art Center is planning a series of classes in drawing, sculpturing and casting taught by Stephen Claybourne, 914 W. Fountain.

Claybourne who holds a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Minnesota had a major in studio arts with emphasis on casting.

He and his wife moved to Albert Lea last fall, from Minneapolis. They have a six-month old daughter Jennifer Lynn. He is building an art foundry in his studio at 914 W. Fountain in order to cast bronze sculptures this summer.

He hopes to apply his current work towards a master's degree in art.

Steve married (1st) to Dorothy E. Davidson and they had one daughter:

- i. Jennifer Claybourne-Torkelson was born on 7 August 1969. She works with the digital collections unit of the University of Minnesota Library. Jennifer married Scott A. Torkelson and they have a daughter, Sylvia I. Torkelson.



Steve married (2nd) to Sue Marie Kessel (born 4 January 1955) and they had two children:

- ii. Amber Claybourne, born 19 September 1977



iii. Daniel Claybourne, born 15 July 1979



b. Philip Claybourne was born on 14 July 1945 in St. Paul, Ramsey, Minneapolis. He married Penny Dando. Together they had one daughter:

- i. Annie E. Claybourne was born on 27 July 1971. She married Steven Doyscher and they have two children:
 - a. Zachary R. Doyscher, born in 2001
 - b. Grace K. Doyscher, born in 2006

c. Marcia Claybourne was born on 17 July 1949 in St. Paul, Ramsey, Minnesota.

b. John Philip Claybourne was born on 28 October 1919 in Albert Lea, Minnesota. He graduated from Albert Lea HS in 1935 after which he attended the State University of Minnesota and New York. He (Lt.) enlisted in the Army in November 1942 and was returned to New York University to study meteorology.



Claybourne is Space Center Office Head

Phillip Claybourne, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Claybourne, 914 Fountain Street, and a 1935 graduate of Albert Lea High School, has been named to head the new Futures Studies Office of the Kennedy Space Center, Cape Kennedy, Fla. Organizationally, the new office will come under engineering and development. Functionally, the

work to be performed will span a broad spectrum of the future. And, specifically, studies will parallel continuing development of the Apollo Saturn and Apollo Applications programs and reach farther – toward possible post-Apollo goals.

“Our studies at KSC,” Claybourne explained, “must keep pace with the studies at the Manned Spacecraft Center and the Marshall Space Flight Center concerning Apollo-Saturn launch vehicles and Apollo Applications.”

“We need to do this so if there are any concept or design changes we will know what impact they will have on launch facilities and equipment there at the Center.”

Claybourne, who lives in Titusville, Fla., with his wife, attended the University of Minnesota, received his degree from New York University and did graduate study at Stevens Institute, Hoboken, N.J.

Before accepting the new position, Claybourne was deputy director for Plans, Programs and Resources – an organization of about 140 people.

He married Miss Kay Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Marshall of Orlando, FL, on March 3, 1944 at Goldsborough, N. C. and he adopted her two children by her first marriage:

- i. Tommy
 - ii. Mary Kay
- c. Robert Claybourne was born on 20 February 1921 and died at the young age of two years old on 2 April 1923. The cause of death was attributed to Pyaemia (also spelled pyemia), which is a septicemia accompanied by multiple abscesses and secondary toxemic symptoms and caused by pus-forming microorganisms, usually from a type of Staph infection.
- d. William Morton Claybourne was born 7 September 1922. He graduated from Albert Lea HS in 1940. He received basic radio training at the Northwestern School of Radio and Television in Minneapolis. In December 1942, he enlisted in the Navy. As a radio operator and served in the Atlantic campaign. He married Mary Lynn Peterson (born 1 November 1926) and they had two children:
- i. Brian William Claybourne was born on 19 June 1953. He worked as a geologist and lived near Denver. Brian married (1st) Christine Streeter and they had one son:
 - 1. Max W. Claybourne, born 7 September 1989
 Brian married (2nd) to L. Herrera Moreno (born 1 September 1962) and they had two children:
 - 2. E. Medina Herrera (possibly a step-daughter to Brian), born 2 August 1990
 - 3. Sean T. Claybourne, born 19 June 1996
 - ii. Alan Franklin Claybourne was born on 9 February 1956 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He worked as a civil engineer and lived near Denver. He married Jeanne Blackwell (born

15 October 1956 in Minneapolis) and they had two children:

1. Lanaya Claybourn, born 1 September 1981
 2. Aaron Claybourn, born 11 January 1986
- e. Ruth Claybourne was born on 3 July 1924 in Albert Lea, Minnesota. As the child of a bookbinder and schoolteacher, and the only daughter among several siblings, she found a haven among books. Her daughter Nell writes, "Her love for reading showed at an early age - her only true digressions from obedience were the literary contraband under her covers and the rolled-up towel hiding the bar of light under her door past bedtime." Her other great love was for dogs and, naturally, she would often read stories of canine heroes. Ruth was editor of the school newspaper and class valedictorian at Albert Lea High School Class in 1942.



Ruth's daughter Nell writes, "The most memorable day of her childhood came at age 13 when she was finally afforded much-needed prescription eyewear. Her entire world came alive in sharp detail." For years she had sat in the front of the class; she had squinted and waved at blurry passersby who called her name, and she had failed to distinguish the most basic elements of her visionary world due to acute astigmatism. Nell adds, "Her parents failed to respond earlier to her request for eyewear in keeping with their consistent favoritism displayed to their boys. She was never one to complain, but she revealed to me, her only daughter, that while she was growing up, it was always, 'Mom's boys this and Mom's boys that.' Not until my grandma (Nellie) lay on her deathbed did she admit the error of favoring her sons when, 'it was you who always came through for me, Ruthie.'"

Ruth learned the classics at the knees of her maternal grandparents, Charles and Ella Hill who also resided in Albert Lea. The Sunday afternoons spent in their house afforded her a much-needed refuge from the teasing of her brothers. Here she read aloud the Greek classics, Whitman, Longfellow, Emerson, and nonfiction at the behest of her grandparents.

Ruth was not only bright, but attractive; however, she had no use for boys (since she had four teasing brothers) until she dated in college. Once on a date when a boy teased her by saying that men never make passes at girls who wear glasses, she replied glibly, "But girls who wear glasses, of men can make asses." Ruth did eventually marry, however, to Lucius Earl Woods ("Lew").



Lew was born in 1921 as the son of Henry Earl Woods (1883-1964) and Esther May Potter (1882-1950). Ruth's daughter Nell writes, "When she met my father, I believe she saw a soul mate at last. Indeed, my parents maintained a passion for each other right up until the end. He was so refreshingly different from her brothers - he was a gentleman, an intellectual, and an equal partner." She wrote to him on their 44th anniversary, the last one celebrated before she died: "Forty-four years ago I met and married the best of men, and you've never once let me down."

Ruth died on 25 March 1995 in Denver, Colorado, and Lew died just months later on 10 October 1995. They had three children:

- i. Henry Earl Woods was born on 20 June 1954
- ii. Samuel Claybourne Woods was born on 15 March 1956 in Denver, Colorado and died at a young age on 17 January 1975. Samuel's sister Nell writes that his death "was the tragic culmination of his sad, short life. [His mother Ruth] often told me that she felt that he had died three times. Once when they discovered his developmental disability, twice when he was no longer able to live at home (he went to live with Lavinia when I was born and subsequently institutionalized at age four), and finally when he met his untimely end." At his death in 1975 his mother Ruth was working for

the state legislature as an aide under the administration of Dick Lamm.

iii. Beverly Nell (Woods) Bravo ("Nell") was born on 28 December 1958 in Denver, Colorado. Beverly wrote that she often felt "born out of place" and "gravitated consistently toward anything exotic" compared to her "lily-white upper middle class childhood in Southeast Denver in the 1960s and '70s." She goes on: "Trips to the Navajo reservation were quite formative, as well as exposure to Denver Democratic political circles." At around age ten she discovered a love for both Spanish and politics--two fields which later compelled her to study abroad in both Mexico and Spain and to take part in scores of political demonstrations and protests over the years. Beverly married (1st) Hector Enrique "Tito" Bravo (born 25 December 1954) on 15 March 1982. Hector had a daughter, Anesa Carmen Westmoreland, that Nell helped raise. That same year Nell earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Spanish, and later in 1992, earned a Master of Public Administration in Public Policy. In 1995 Nell and Hector had a son:

1. Mario M. Bravo, born 24 September 1995
- f. Paul Robbin "Bob" Claybourne was born on 27 March 1927 in Albert Lea, Minnesota, and died in 1997 in Denver, Colorado.



g. Francis Claybourne was still born (and therefore died) on 15 November 1929.

8. Leslie "Lex" William Claybourne was born on 13 June 1883, in Albert Lea, Minnesota.



He was Vice President of Kenosha (Wisc.) Printing & Carton Co. (1918) and later established Claybourn Process Corp. in Milwaukee, Wis. (1921). Shortly after, he designed the Claybourn multicolor press which printed from curved precision electrotype plates. The C.B. Cottrell & Sons Co. took over Claybourn's firm in 1937. Thereafter he was associated with several other printing firms. Over the years he patented over 200 printing processes. Leslie was a 32nd Degree Mason; member of the Laipoli Shrine; life member of International Pressman's and Assistant's Union; the Printing House Craftsmen's Club in Milwaukee and several other cities; member of the Milwaukee Athletic Club, the Illinois Athletic Club and the Lakeside Club - both of Chicago - and the Advertising Club of New York City. Throughout his life Leslie was considered a printing process pioneer.

**Former Albert Lea Boy Makes Advancement
Thursday, May 3, 1934**

L. W. Claybourn, President of the Claybourn Corporation, Manufactures in Milwaukee Has New Five-Color Rotary Press

Many in Albert Lea will remember LEX Claybourn, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Claybourn of this city. Since leaving Albert Lea he has progressed rapidly in the world of inventions. His latest creation is a five-color rotary equipment capable of printing 4,000 sheets per hour. Mr. Claybourn is the President of the Claybourn Corporation, manufacturers of the Claybourn Process Machinery, of Milwaukee (Wis. The...of the Editor and Publisher uses a page and a half, explaining this new wonder in printing machinery. The introductory paragraph of the article reads as follows:

The new Claybourn five-color rotary press with automatic feeder and delivery, capable of printing 4,000 sheets an hour of the finest four and five color work for magazines, labels and commercial work, has attracted ink and paper manufacturers as well as printers and publishers from all parts of the country to the Claybourn Corporation at Milwaukee, Wis., during the past month to witness the demonstration of new multi-color press development.



Lex Claybourn was the moving force behind not only the proof press, but also a line of plate shavers for curved electrotypes, and proof presses for those plates, and the design for a 4 color rotary letterpress unit designed for magazine printing that used a single impression cylinder. He preached precision equipment for fast make-readies and lower costs. His company sold to the Cottrell Company located in Rhode Island in the 1930s, but press manufacture remained in Milwaukee. Cottrell continued to make these presses well into the 1950s. But by 1955 Lex, who was in his 70s, had fallen on hard times and ended up in a hospital paralyzed and penniless. A fund raising drive was started by his friends and the Inland Printer to help with his medical expenses.

He died on 10 December 1956, at the age of 73 years and is buried at Wisconsin's Memorial Park.

OBITUARY

L.W. Claybourn, 4-Color Press Inventor, Dies

Word was received Tuesday of the death of L.W. Claybourn, who died Monday in Milwaukee, Wis. He was the inventor of the Claybourn four color press.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Weiss Funeral home there. Burial will take place in Milwaukee at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Claybourn, Albert Lea, he is survived by his wife, two children and three brothers. The brothers are: John G., Ann Arbor, Mich., Wayne and Mort, Albert Lea.

Leslie married (1st) Mae Hawthorne. He then married (2nd) Elsie Gray, and they had five children:

- a. Leslie - died in infancy
- b. Two twins died in infancy
- c. Bona Claybourn was born about 1909 in Winona, Minnesota. She first married a Mr. Henderson, and then married an R.H. Bronson. Bona died on 5 November 1980 and is buried in Milwaukee.
- d. Carlton Clayton was born 12 January 1914, in Norwood, Ohio. He lived in Northbrook, Illinois and married Ruth Norma Stroede. Ruth was born on 26 December 1913 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and died on 10 February 2008. They had two children:
 - i. Charlotte Carrol Claybourn was born on 6 August 1941 in Buffalo, New York. She married Jack C. Stemper on 3 March 1962 in Great Lakes, Illinois. They had three children:

1. Carrie Lynn Stemper married Thomas Medina on 17 September 1983 in Fresno, California. They had at least one child, Clayton Anthony Medina, born 17 November 1984.
 2. Julie Lynn Stemper was born 5 December 1963 in Great Lakes, Illinois. She married Vincent Spagnuolo on 23 April 1983.
 3. Trudy Lynn Stemper was born 22 September 1969.
- ii. John Leslie Claybourn was born on 17 July 1945 in Evanston, Illinois. He married Anna Marie Franchi on 15 July 1967. Together they had two children:
 1. Matthew John Claybourn was born on 15 May 1974 in Highland Park, Illinois. He married Gina Nishimura Speer on 19 June 2003 and they have one daughter, Cera Colleen (born on 29 Jan. 2008). Matthew and Gina own Profound Affects Screen Printing, which Matthew started in 1996. Their work in the printing business continues a long-standing tradition of Claybourns in this branch who worked in that field.
 2. Luke Clayton Claybourn was born on 27 February 1977 and married Melissa Sphar on 23 August 2003. They had 2 daughters, Sophia Rose (born on 5 Nov. 2003) and Ashley Anne (born on 4 May 2006).

Leslie William Claybourn married (3rd) Emily Herkenroeder; they had no children.

9. John Geronold Claybourn was born May 23, 1886. He married R. Florez, in Colon, 1913. After he graduated from Albert Lea HS and three years of engineering from the University of Minnesota, he entered the service of the Isthmian Canal Division in 1910 at age 24 as a rodman in the Engineering Corps, Atlantic Division. He first married Regina Flores (born in Columbia, South America). His second marriage was to Elsie Kathryn Grieser (born in New Jersey) of Whitestone, New York, on 1 September 1928. John served as rodman, levelman and transitman of the Isthmian Canal Commission (1910-1914), and with the dredging division of the Panama Canal beginning in 1914. He was then promoted to Junior Engineer (1917-1918), assistant engineer (1919-1920), and finally superintendent of the division (1921-1948). He also studied and laid out docks and warehouses for the Free Port of Colon (1948). Later he served as consultant engineer on marine development, navigable rivers, harbors and canals in Columbia and Venezuela (1948).



John died on 26 June 1967 and is buried in the Graceland Cemetery, Albert Lea, MN.

OBITUARY

John Claybourn

Graveside services at 4 p.m. Thursday in Graceland Cemetery will be held for the late John G. Claybourn of Ann Arbor, Mich. A native of Albert Lea, he was born in 1886 to the late Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Claybourn.

Mr. Claybourn was a graduate of the University of Minnesota where he majored in engineering. He was a civil engineer and worked in the development of the Panama Canal Zone. He died Monday at Ann Arbor.

Mr. Claybourn was a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge and also a member of Western Star Lodge No. 26.

He is survived by his wife, Elsie and several nieces and nephews. Two surviving nieces in Albert Lea are, Mrs. Albert (Ione) Ranstad, Bridge Avenue and Mrs. Gilmore (Florence) Johnson, 6th Street. A sister-in-law Mrs. Mort Claybourn lives on Fountain Street.

The Rev. James W. Nordstrom will officiate. The body will arrive here Thursday morning.

Simeon Franklin Crumb (Edward F.⁶, Simeon P.⁷, Simeon F.⁸, William⁹, William C.¹⁰, Daniel¹¹) was born in Vermont August 13, 1837.

He married **Mary Matilda Warner** in Hamilton, Illinois, c.1855.

Mary Matilda Warner was born Ohio, August 15, 1835. Listed in 1900 Census as serving as a "servant" in the house of Charlie VanHeman – same household as daughter Rosetta.

Simeon Franklin Crumb died June 9, 1902 Hamilton, Illinois at 64 years of age. Mary Matilda Warner died January 3,

1908 in Hamilton, Illinois at 72-73 years of age. They are buried in Oakwood Cemetery, Hamilton, IL.

Simeon and Mary had the following children:

1. Elixly Ann Crum was born February 4, 1855. Elixly died December 12, 1870 in Breckenridge, Illinois.
2. Jason⁴ Virgil Crum was born in Hamilton, Illinois January 1865. Listed in 1910 Census as a "merchant." Self-employed. Jason died September 29, 1930 of cancer of the bowels and cirrhosis of the liver in Hamilton, Illinois.



He married Renee Maire, born June 14, 1867 in Basco, Illinois. Renee died December 18, 1953 (aged 86) in Quincy, Illinois.



Jason and Renee are buried in Oakwood Cemetery, Hamilton, IL.

Renee and Virgil had the following children:

- a. Blanch was born May 1893
- b. Cyphrien Bedious Crum was born March 10, 1896 in Hamilton, IL. A clerk. Died October 1978. Last residence was Ft. Worth, TX
- c. Hazel Crum was born October 1897. Died May 2, 1991
- d. Joseph Vincent Crum was born October 22, 1899. A shoe cutter.
- e. Nina Crum was born May 16, 1904. Died March 1983. Last known residence Quincy, IL.
- f. Hannah Crum was born May 3, 1906. Died March 11, 1997. Last known residence was Greeneville, TN
- g. Jason Lorentz Crum was born March 6, 1909 in

Hamilton, Illinois. Jason died October 13, 1984 in Peoria, Illinois. Last residence was in Washington, Illinois. He married Veneta Lucile Cook, born October 2, 1913 in Stronghurst, Illinois. Veneta died August 6, 1997 in Bloomington, Minnesota.

- i. Jason Roger Crum was born October 9, 1935
 - ii. David Morris Crum was born December 6, 1937
 - iii. Danny Joseph Crum was born June 11, 1942. Danny died in San Francisco, CA in 1995
 - iv. Nancy Eileen Crum was born July 3, 1943
 - v. Robert Wayne Crum was born September 10, 1944 in Pekin, Illinois
 - vi. Jean Ann Crum was born April 3, 1957
3. Franklin E. Crum was born in, Illinois c1869. Franklin died in Hamilton, Illinois abt. 1885 – struck by lightning while driving a team of horses. He and the horses were killed. He married Mary Isabella Lewis McCune, daughter of Charles Wesley McCune. They had the following children:
- a. Ora Isabelle was born 1892. She died 1969. She married Carter Langridge (1877-1943)
 - b. Lillie Ellen was born June 8, 1895. She married Harry G. Summers (1889-1974) in 1911. They had the following children:
 - i. Opal Ruth (1916-2004). She married Harold E. Dodds (1910-1997)
 - ii. Nellie (1920-2000). She married Maurice Stanley Cummings (1921-1983). They had the following child:
 1. Maurice Stanley Cummings (1947-2019)
 - iii. Dorothy Isabelle (1925-1997). She married John Ernest Holmes (1921-1998) in 1945.
 - iv. Melvin J. (1927-2006)
 - v. Betty Joline (1929-1964)
 - vi. Peggy L. (1938-2015)
 - c. Gertrude M. (1898-1984). She married Robert Douglas Shafer (1902-1971). They had one child:
 - i. Delphine Louise (1922-1990). She married Robert S. Williams (1912-1961)
 - d. Mary Elizabeth (1900-1997). She married James Baker Alecock (1891-1961) in 1920. They had the following children:
 - i. James Charles (1921-1972)
 - ii. Madelyn Elizabeth (1923-2006) married Robert Kenneth Miller (1923-2006) in 1942. They had one child:
 1. R. Richard (1947-2019)
 - e. Gladys A. (1902-1987). She married Homer E. Johnson ((1908-1948) in 1928, Nat P. Davis (1907-1969) in 1949, and Ora Clifford McCully (1903-1980) in 1973
 - f. Charles Taylor (1904-1983). He married Effie Marie Katherina Nelson (1903-1985) in 1922. They had the following child:
 - i. Walter Charles (1924-1989)
 - g. Curtis Shelby (1914-1988). He married Clara Belle Bates(1923-1944) in 1946.
4. Mary A. Crum was born June 25 in Hancock, Illinois 1872. She died at home in Peoria, IL, June 30, 1917.

She is buried in the Springdale Cemetery, Peoria, IL. Mary married (?) Hubbard.

5. **Harry A. Crum** was born December 1872.
6. Rosetta Crum was born in Hamilton, Illinois April 16, 1877. Rosetta died January 8, 1934 at 56 years of age. She married Eli Camp. Listed in 1900 Census as a “servant in house of Charlie VanHemam.” Last known residence was Debord, KY.

William Laws (Fielding,⁶) was born in Todd County Kentucky November 15, 1826 to Fielding Laws and Betsy (last name unknown). He married **Mary Martha McCaslin** (birth date unknown)

William Laws died April 22, 1907 in Donnellson, Illinois, at 80 years of age.

OBITUARY

William Laws was born November 15, 1826 and died April 22, 1907, aged 80 years, 5 months and 7 days.

He was born in Todd county Kentucky, and came to Illinois with his parents, Fielding and Betsy Laws, in 1830, and settled in Bond County. In 1848 he was married to Miss Mary Marth McCaslin, after which he resided for a short time in Bond county, then coming to Montgomery county, settling on the farm on which he lived till his death.

To this union were born nine children: Sarah E. McLain, Thomas G, Lucinda Lewey, William H., Alfred Wilson. Mrs. Ellen Linders, Fielding Franklin, Albert P., and Chas. L.

His wife and four children preceded him. Three sons and two daughters were spared to comfort him in his declining years. Besides these he leaves 40 grand children, 18 great grand children and four brothers and one sister.

The subject of this sketch was a man of strong convictions with the courage to boldly assert them.

He was interested in the welfare of his neighbors and maintained an appreciation of the affairs of life to the last.

In his sickness he was always thoughtful of others, striving to make the burden of his care as light as possible.

When a young friend brought him game to tempt the weak and failing appetite he generously sent a part of it to a sick neighbor. When the family remonstrated, because they felt he needed it, he said-it was not the right spirit to keep it all himself, he wished to divide it with one who was sick and suffering as himself. He was converted in early years at old Bear Creek Camp Ground and while not demonstrative he has given us sufficient evidence by the life he left behind that his years have not been spent in vain and we who are younger would do well to try to live up to the example this hoary head has given us.

While the neighbors have lost a kind old neighbor and friend, it is the immediate family especially who will miss his counsel and advice.

To them we extend our deepest sympathy especially to the orphan granddaughter who has made it possible for him to

spend his last days in his old home.

The funeral services were held at the Presbyterian Church in Donnellson Tuesday, April 23, at 2 o'clock p. m., Rev, O.B. Lee assisted by Rev. Dunn officiating. The funeral was one of the largest ever held in Donnellson. The interment was in the Donnellson cemetery.

William Laws and Mary Martha McCaslin had the following children:

1. Alfred Wilson⁴ Laws.
2. Sarah E. Laws.
3. Thomas G. Laws.
4. Lucinda Laws. She married Oliver Frank Lewey
 - a. Henry David Lewey. He married Sarah F. Clotfelter
5. William H. Laws.
6. Fielding Franklin Laws.
7. ? Laws.
8. Albert P. Laws.
9. Mary Ellen Laws was born August 10, 1860.
10. Charles Lincoln Laws was born in Donnellson, Illinois September 6, 1862. He married Florence Taylor 1886.
 - a. Effie. She married Walter Boone
 - b. Lena. She married F. M. Ramey
 - c. Joel
 - d. Camilla

Charles Lincoln Laws died July 13, 1927 at 64 years of age.

OBITUARY

Charles Lincoln Laws. One of the most prominent and highly respected residents of East Fork Township, died at his farm home north of Donnellson at ten o'clock on Wednesday morning, July 13, 1927 following an illness due to myocarditis, or an inflammation of the muscular walls of the heart, from which he had suffered since last February, and which weakened his heart action with fatal results.

The deceased was born two miles east of Donnellson on September 6, 1862. At the time of his death he was 64 years, 10 months and 7 days old. He was a son of William and Mary (McCaslin) Laws, two residents of East Fork Township who were regarded as of substantial and high class pioneer stock.

Charles L. Laws was united in marriage in 1886 with Miss Florence Taylor and the widow and five children survive this union, namely, Effie, wife of Walter Boone, of Donnellson; Lena, wife of State's Attorney F. M. Ramey of Hillsboro; Joel, a young farmer near Donnellson; Miss Camilla, who is employed as director of home economics in the Chicago office of the Calumet Baking Powder Co., and who recently completed the course of study in home economics at Millikin University, Decatur.

Besides his widow and children the deceased leaves seven grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Sarah McLean of near Greenville; and a brother Wilson Laws, of Keokuk,

IA.

The death of Mr. Laws is a great loss to the community where he was born, reared and spent his entire life, because of the fact that he was not an old man by any means and he was one of that type of citizens whose character set an example that inspires others to emulate, so that they derive spiritual and material profit from having done so.

Carrel (Carol) Linder married **Mary Saunders**. Carrel was born in France. Mary was born in Switzerland. They had the following child:

1. **Charles Carrel (Carol) Linder**