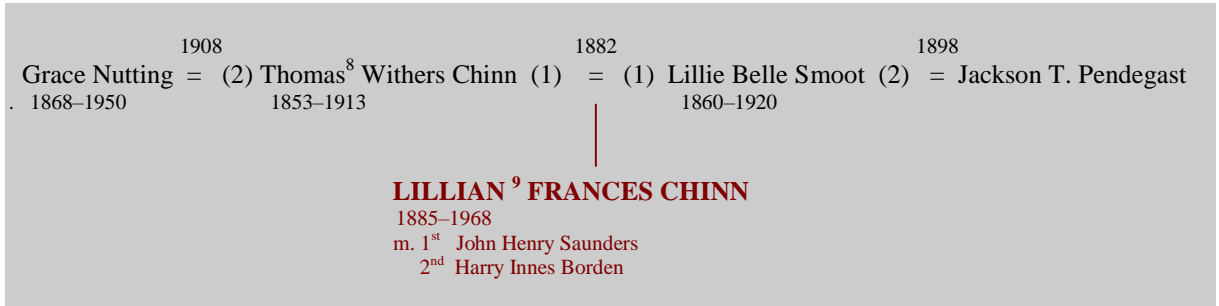


Chapter Twelve

Revised
January 2021**LILLIAN⁹ FRANCES CHINN**
1885–1968*San Francisco, California to Sydney, Australia**Including the Smoot, Borden, Clark, Bonner, Burnett & Sullivan families**Lillian Frances Chinn
c.1915*

LILLIAN⁹ FRANCES CHINN (Fran) was born 18 November 1885 in San Francisco. Grover Cleveland had just been elected President of the United States. She was the only child of Thomas⁸ Withers Chinn (1853–1913), and Lillie⁹ Belle Smoot (c.1860–1920). No information is available on her formative years other than she attended a boarding school in Berkeley during her teens. She appears to have been well educated and was an accomplished pianist, no doubt a prerequisite for all well-bred young ladies in the late nineteenth century. Her father was from a prominent Louisiana plantation family. While her mother's lineage has a question mark, she was reared in a family from Virginia who would have also had traditional southern values.

*Fran aged two**Fran aged four**Fran aged six*

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Full Name of Child <u>LILLIAN FRANCES CHINN</u> Date of Birth <u>November 18, 1885</u> Place of Birth <u>San Francisco, California</u> Sex of Child <u>Female</u> Full Name of Father <u>THOMAS WITHERS CHINN</u> Residence at Child's Birth <u>San Francisco, California</u> Age at Child's Birth <u>32</u> Color or Race <u>White</u>	Birthplace <u>Baton Rouge, La.</u> Occupation at Child's Birth <u>Commission Merchant</u> Full Maiden Name of Mother <u>LILLIE BELL SMOOT</u> Residence at Child's Birth <u>San Francisco, California</u> Age at Child's Birth <u>24</u> Color or Race <u>White</u> Birthplace <u>Alexandria, Va.</u> Occupation at Child's Birth <u>House wife</u>
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am the Aunt of this child, who was born on the date above stated.

Affiant ROSELLE S. ROBERTSON Address 2377 E-23rd. St., Oakland, Calif.
 Dated July 19 1941 at 41 State of California, County of Santa Clara

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of July 1941

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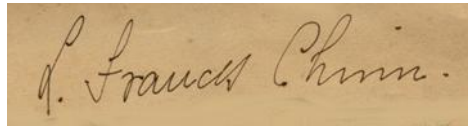
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Fran at boarding school, Berkeley, California c.1900

Fran was an only child whose parents were divorced about 1897. A year later her mother married Jackson T. Pendegast in Arizona. (→ See Chapter 11: The Chinn Family, 8th generation, Thomas⁸ Withers Chinn 1853–1913). Even though Fran had no siblings and had to contend emotionally and socially with divorced parents, she was not without relatives nearby. As we shall see from the following pages she was surrounded by numerous aunts, uncles and cousins on her mother's side—the Smoot family—in and around San Francisco.

She also maintained contact with her husband's relations – the Bordens and the Burnetts with whom she had formed strong relationships.



Fran's signature c.1900

Fran also kept in touch with her father, who lived in San Francisco, and his relations who mostly lived in Louisiana, although one of her uncles, Frederick⁸ Conrad Chinn, the optician, lived in Sacramento. Also her father's first cousin—Bolling⁸ Chinn Robertson—had moved to San Francisco and married her mother's sister Roselle⁹ Smoot.

In 1903 Fran met John⁸ (Jack) Henry Saunders. They were married at the Church of Heavenly Rest in New York City on 18 January 1805. John was the youngest son of James⁷ Douglass Saunders and Emily³ C. Brannan.

→ See Chapter 10 for more detail on Fran's life with Jack.



Signature in 1906

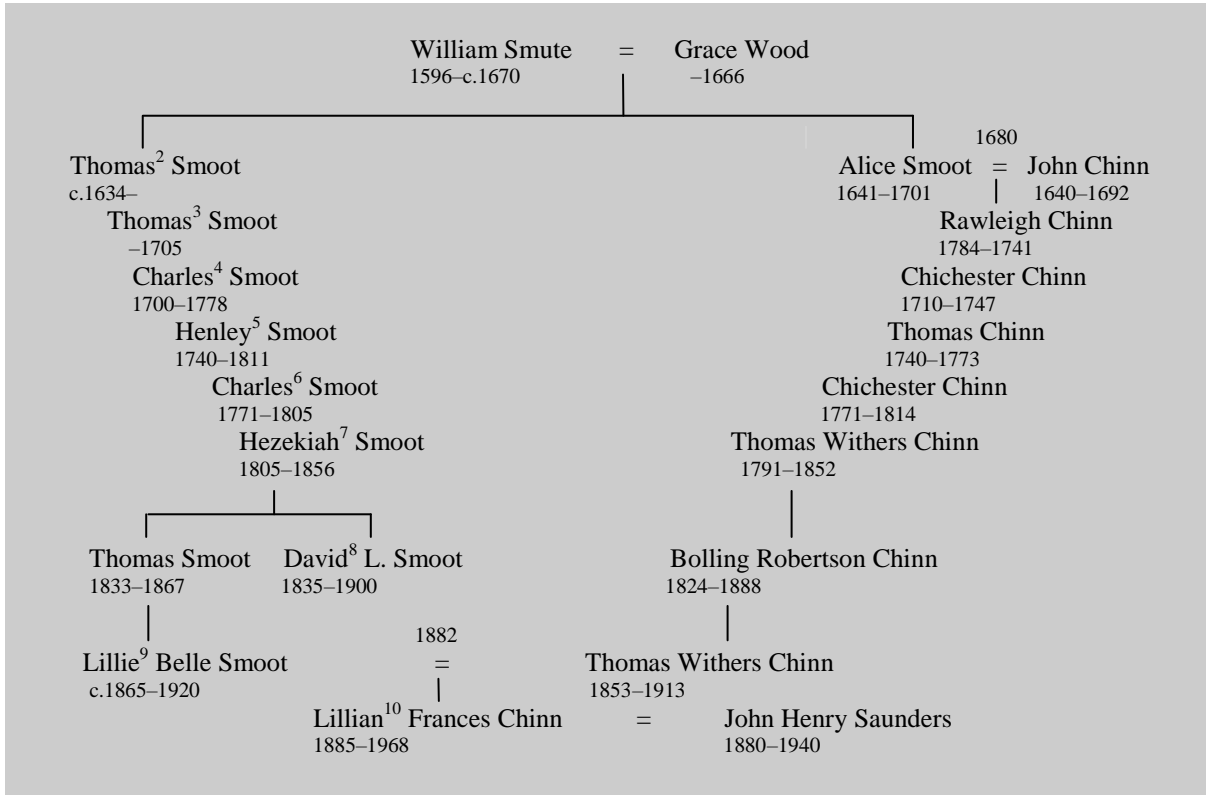
The Smoot Family

Fran's mother, Lillie¹⁰ Belle Smoot was born between 1860 and 1866 – depending on what record is considered the more accurate. The most logical date is the 16th of July 1860. She was the adopted daughter of Colonel David⁸ L. Smoot and his wife Laura, née Richards. It is believed that her biological father was Thomas⁸ Silliman Smoot, David's older brother, who was shot to death in 1867 when Lillie Belle was about 7 years old.

The Smoot family and its origins have been documented by Harry Wright Newman in his published genealogy *The Smoots of Virginia and Maryland*. Some of the information in this website conflicts with Federal U.S Census records, which themselves are not always 100% accurate.

Researchers Sharon Hodges and the late Ruth Lincoln Kaye provided additional information on the Smoot and Richards families from records at the *Alexandria Library* and the register and cemetery at St Paul's Episcopal Church in Alexandria.

Lillie Belle Smoot and Thomas Withers Chinn were distantly related, the common ancestor going back eight generations to the 17th century.



1st generation:

The original immigrant was William¹ Smute, born 1596 probably in Scotland and died 1670 in Charles County, Maryland. On arrival in America in 1633 he settled in Hampton, York County. His first wife was the widow Grace Wood. She was born 3 August 1601 in Essex, England and died 14 January 1666 in Maryland. They had numerous children, two of whom are relevant to this family history.

2nd generation:

1. Alice² Smoot was born 1640 and died 1701. She married John¹ Chynn as his second wife in 1680. He was first married to Elizabeth Travers about 1660. John¹ Chynn was born 1640 in England and died 1692 and is the direct ancestor of Thomas Withers Chinn (1853–1913) who married Lillie Bell Smoot in 1882 in San Francisco.
2. Captain Thomas² Smoot was born about 1634 in Virginia and died intestate in Charles County, Maryland on 8 April 1668. He married Jane Batton about 1655. Thomas is the direct ancestor of David L. Smoot who adopted Lillie Bell Smoot.

3rd generation:

Thomas³ Smoot, son of Captain Thomas² Smoot and Jane Batton, was born in Pickawaxon Hundred, Charles County, Virginia in 1660. He married Elizabeth Barton on 15 June 1688. She was born 27 February 1671 and died 6 January 1704. Thomas died about 1705. Thomas and Jane had nine children.

4th generation:

Charles⁴ Smoot, son of Thomas and Jane Barton Smoot was born 1700 in Wilcomico, Maryland and died 20 March 1778. He was married three times. His second wife was Mary Brandt whom he married on 1 March 1742. She was born 1720 in Maryland and died 21 June 1766. It was this union which produced the descendants relevant here. Charles and Mary had four children.

5th generation:

Ensign Henley⁵ Smoot, son of Charles⁴ and Mary Brandt Smoot, was born about 1740 in Trinity Parish, Charles County, Maryland and died in 1811 in Maryland. He married Eleanor Wilson Briscoe. She was the daughter of Hezekiah and Susannah (Wilson) Briscoe. Eleanor was a descendant of Dr John Briscoe who is reputed to have arrived in Maryland on the *Ark* with Leonard Calvert in 1634. Henley and Eleanor had eight children.

6th generation:

Rev. Charles⁶ Calvert Smoot, son of Ensign Henley and Eleanor Smoot, was born 1771 in Trinity Parish, Charles County, Virginia and died 1805 in Old St. Mary's County. He was the first member of the Smoot family to accept holy orders, being ordained a priest of the American Episcopal Church in Maryland in 1793 by Bishop Thomas John Claggett. In 1795 Charles married Anne Egerton who was born 25 December 1771 and died in 1810. She was the daughter of Charles Calvert Egerton and Mary Briscoe and was directly descended from Maryland's first Colonial Governor, Leonard Calvert (c.1606–1647), son of George Calvert and known as Lord Baltimore. Charles and Anne had eight children.

7th generation:

Capt. Hezekiah⁷ Briscoe Smoot, son of the Rev. Charles Smoot and his wife Anne Egerton, was born 22 June 1805 in St Mary's County, Maryland. When a young man he joined his brothers in Alexandria, Virginia and there became a butcher. He married Harriet McNeal on 5 June 1826 in Joppa, Maryland. She was born 1803 in St Mary's, Maryland.

Hezekiah Smoot died 24 November 1856 and was buried in Ivy Hill Cemetery, Alexandria. His death was reported in the *Alexandria Gazette* the next day:

DIED.

On the morning of the 24th inst., after a painful and lingering illness, which he bore with christian fortitude, HEZEKIAH B. SMOOT, aged 52 years. ¶ The friends and acquaintances of the deceased are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence Fayette street, this day at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Hezekiah's wife, Harriet McNeal Smoot, died in Alexandria on 17 October 1894 aged 91 years. Her death was reported in the *Alexandria Gazette*, p. 2, on 22 October:

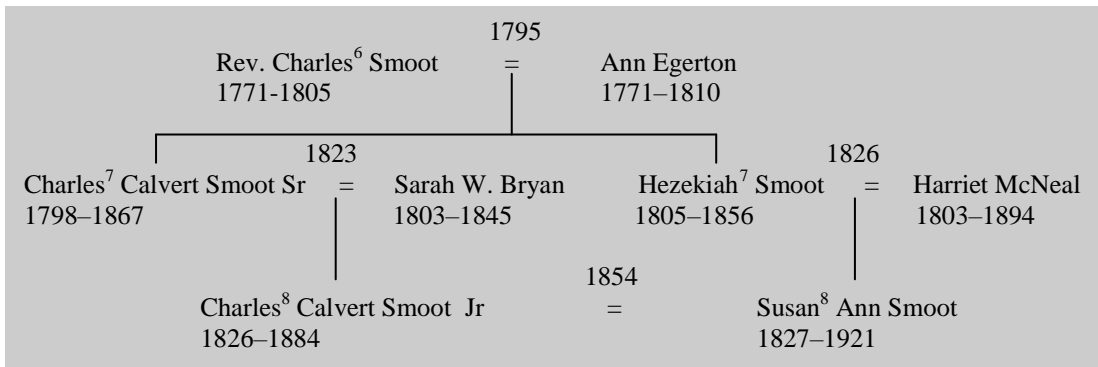
DIED.
On Monday, October 22, 1894, at 8:30 a. m. Mrs. HARRIET SMOOT, widow of Capt. Hezekiah Smoot, in the 91st year of her age. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services at the residences of her daughter, Mrs. Susan Smoot, corner Duke and St. Asaph streets, to-morrow (Tuesday) afternoon at 4 o'clock. Interment private. No flowers.

Hezekiah⁷ Smoot and Harriet McNeal had seven children and we know of five.

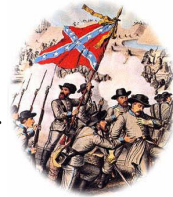
8th generation:

1. Susan⁸ Ann (Susie) Smoot was born 26 May 1827 in Maryland and died 3 March 1921 in Alexandria, Virginia. She married her first cousin Charles⁸ Calvert Smoot Jr on 3 October 1854. He was born 15 August 1826 and died 17 May 1884. Charles was

the son of Charles⁷ Calvert Smoot Sr (1798–1867), Hezekiah⁷ Smoot's older brother, and Sarah Walters Bryan (1803–1845). Susan and Charles Smoot had eight children.



2. Major James⁸ Richard Smoot was born 17 January 1828 in Alexandria, Virginia and died 3 November 1902 in Culpepper County, Virginia. He married Anna G. Crittenden on 27 May 1863. They had six children. James served with the Confederate States Army from 1862 to 1865.



3. Thomas⁸ Silliman Smoot was born 1833 and died 20 June 1867. He married Sarah (Sallie) E. Grimes on 22 November 1855. She was born about 1837 in Alexandria, Virginia and was the daughter of Enoch and Mary (Harrington) Grimes. Thomas and Sarah are reported to have had five children. The 1860 census, enumerated on 4 August, listed only two children:

- A. Mary⁹ C. 'Molly' McNeal Smoot was born 1 February 1857 in Alexandria, Virginia and died 3 May 1914. She married Lewis Andrew Tucker on 12 May 1877. He was born about 1850 and died 8 April 1900. They had six children.
- B. Isobel⁹ Smoot was born 1859 in Alexandria, Virginia and died 1870.

It's possible a third child, a two-week old baby, was not counted:

- C. **Lillie⁹ Belle Smoot** was born 16 July 1860. She was later adopted by Thomas's younger brother, David L. Smoot. Lillie would have been only seven years old when her father was murdered. More on Lillie Belle further on.

An obituary notice in the *Alexandria Gazette* on the 27th October 1862 indicated a fourth child:

- D. James⁹ Grimes Smoot was born 22 December 1861 and died 27 October 1862, aged 10 months:

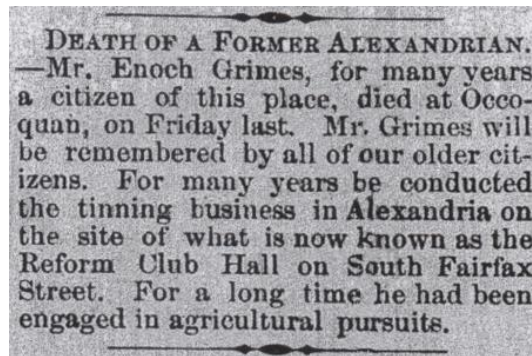
DIED

This morning at his grandfather's, Maple Grove, near the Ivy Hill Cemetery, JAMES GRIMES, only son of Thomas and Sallie E. Smoot, aged 10 months and 5 days. The friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, at 2 o'clock, to-morrow evening.

By 1870 both Thomas and Sarah had died and the Census of that year reported the children Mary and Isobel living with Sarah's parents, Enoch and Mary Grimes, together with another child:

- E. Alabama⁹ 'Allie' Smoot was born 20 December 1864 and died 20 February 1950 of *basilar tumor of brain due to bronchopneumonia*. She married Morgan Wise Wilkinson in 1891. He was born 15 February 1862 and died 12 December 1952 in Richmond, Virginia.

Enoch Grimes, Sarah Smoot's father died Friday, 21 November 1892. His death was reported in the *Alexandria Gazette* the next day:



The violent death of Thomas Smoot

The following article from the *Alexandria Gazette*, June 21, 1867, p.3, is a condensed version of one printed in the *National Intelligencer* the same day, and included with a follow-up in the publication *Murder & Mayhem, Criminal Conduct in Old Alexandria, Virginia, 1749–1900* by T. Michael Miller.

HORRIBLE TRAGEDY IN WASHINGTON – DEATH OF AN ALEXANDRIAN – About two o'clock yesterday afternoon the citizens of the Fourth Ward, residing in the vicinity of Sixth and K streets, were startled at the sounds of pistol-shots in house No. 223 Sixth Street west, next to the corner of K Street north. A few moments after a man attired in a drab suit, was observed to leave the house and proceed rapidly down Sixth Street toward the avenue. Cries of murder were heard, and, upon entering the house, the neighbors were shocked to see lying on the floor of a room in the second story the body of Thomas S. Smoot, with the blood and gore oozing from two pistol shot wounds in the head. Inquiry led to the development of the following facts:

Henry Johnson, a butcher, about forty-four years of age, whose place of business is in Georgetown, learning that his wife was in the habit of stopping at a house on Sixth Street, had for some time past suspected an improper intimacy on her part with Mr. Thomas Smoot, who was formerly in his employ. He watched the premises, and yesterday afternoon, knowing the room, and that Smoot and his wife were there together, entered the house and went to their room, where he found Smoot lying in the bed, his wife sitting on the edge of the bed and holding Smoot's hand. Without a moment's warning, he deliberately fired three shots at Smoot, two of which took effect in his head, and death ensued about twenty minutes after.

The room where this shocking tragedy took place is about seven feet in width and as many in length, and was over the hall entrance to the building. When Johnson entered the room Smoot raised himself up from the bed, when the shots were fired, one taking effect just over the right corner of the right eye and the other on the left side of the lower jaw.

Coroner Woodward was summoned to hold an inquest. Various witnesses were examined before the jury who testified that Smoot under the name of Johnson, and passing as the husband of Mrs. J. had been occupying a room in the house where the killing took place for five or six months – that Mrs. J. herself always represented Smoot as her husband, saying that she had been married before, but she had left her first husband on account of ill treatment etc. The jury returned the following verdict: "That the said Thomas Smoot came to his death in the city of Washington, on the 20th day of June 1867, by means of a pistol shot discharged by Henry Johnson."

Henry Johnson's statement at the station house is substantially as follows:

That Thomas Smoot has been in his employ as a butcher for some time, and that he had assisted him in various ways in business; that the intimacy between Smoot and his wife had often attracted his attention, but he never suspected anything criminal in their acquaintance until recently. He had accidentally discovered their place of meeting at the house on Sixth Street, and that yesterday he was satisfied that his more recent suspicions were correct from evidence which he saw while watching the window.

He knew that Smoot was in the room, and shortly after two o'clock he saw his wife enter the house, and then saw her in the same room where Smoot was. There was no hindrance to his entering the house, he passed up stairs, and on opening the door found his wife sitting on the edge of the bed, and Smoot had been lying down, but arose at the surprise, and reached toward the bureau, when he fired the fatal shots.

* Mr. Smoot, our reporter was informed, was thirty-five years of age, and his wife and four children reside in Alexandria. He served as a sergeant in the 17th Virginia infantry, Confederate army. His brother arrived here last evening, and at the conclusion of the Coroner's inquest took charge of the body, which was taken to Alexandria for interment.

Mrs. Johnson left the house as soon as Smoot was shot, and has not since been heard from. It does not appear that her husband offered her any violence, or that he ever spoke to her from the time that he entered the room until they separated at the door of the house. She is reported to be a large woman, with coarse features, large nose, and black hair. She has three children – a daughter married who is a widow, and two boys aged nine and eleven years. Henry Johnson is a mild pleasant looking man, with sandy complexion and light blue eyes, and shows but little of the resolution in his features that has marked the premeditated homicide.

The affair created great excitement throughout the city. – Nat. Intel.

Mr. Smoot's body was brought to this city on the eight o'clock boat this morning, conveyed in a hearse to the residence of his wife, on the corner of Wilkes and Pitt street, and will be buried tomorrow. (*Alexandria Gazette*, June 21, 1867, p.3)

HENRY JOHNSON, charged with the murder of Thomas Smoot, on Thursday last was brought from jail in Washington, on Saturday on a writ of habeas corpus, issued by Judge Wylie, the object being to effect his discharge on bail, if possible. Owing to the absence of two very important witnesses, the case was postponed until this morning at 10 o'clock, and the prisoner was remanded to jail until that time. (*Alexandria Gazette*, June 24, 1867, p.3.)

* The article in the *Alexandria Gazette* said Thomas Smoot, his wife and FIVE children resided in Alexandria. T, Michael Miller's publication said Thomas had FOUR children.

The *National Intelligencer*, 25 June 1867, p.3:

The Case of Henry Johnson–Bail Refused

Yesterday morning the proceedings in the case of Henry Johnson, the party who killed Thomas S. Smoot, were resumed before Justice Wylie, and the principal witnesses examined. The evidence was not materially different from that elicited before the coroner's jury, and at the conclusion of the examination the Court ordered the prisoner to be remanded to jail to await the action of the grand jury.

Judge Wylie said that in a case where a man comes home to his house and finds his wife and an adulterer in criminal intercourse, if it is not excusable, yet there is palliation if he takes the adulterer's life, and the Court would not hesitate to admit to bail under such circumstances. But in a case like this, the woman is more to blame than her paramour. No man will approach a virtuous married woman. The lure must be first thrown out by her.

In this instance the parties lived in Georgetown, This woman came over to Washington and hired this room, and was in the habit of resorting to it with Smoot, and was absent from her own home sometimes as long as from Monday morning till Saturday night. This room was engaged as long ago as last fall, and was thus occupied all winter, and until this occurrence, she being there almost constantly with the deceased. We cannot tell at what time the suspicions of the husband were excited, but must suppose it to have been at an early day if he was a sensible man. It is not to be supposed she could be absent from her home for so great a length of time without his making inquiry as to what she was doing. It was his duty

to do so. It appears that on the day before this occurrence Johnson met Sawyer, the proprietor of the house—met him in Seventh street—and told him he had seen him come out of that house, and had made inquiry and ascertained that he was the proprietor, and asked him whether his wife and Smoot were not in the habit of going there. Sawyer replied that they were, and then there, and requested him not to go there that day because Mrs. Sawyer was sick. He replied that he would not that day, but would do so the next day, when he would go in and bid them good day and go away. All that was very sensible, if he had followed out that line of conduct, and he would have escaped this dilemma and danger. But it seems that the next day, after having had time to sleep upon it and deliberate, he did go to the house, and, as described, in a smiling and good-humored manner proceeded to the room, opened the door, and shot the deceased three times. This is a case of too much deliberation and coolness to admit to bail. The prize for which the crime was committed was utterly worthless, and was evidently so regarded by him. It is a different case from one where a man comes home to his castle and finds the wife and an adulterer together. In such a case the Court would not hesitate to grant bail, but in this case the prisoner knew that his wife was meeting her paramour in another house, and he had acted with deliberation and coolness. He had a good character, it is true, but that would not avail. It would not do for a man to go about with pistols after a worthless woman and an adulterer, under circumstances such as have been described in the present instance. The prisoner is remanded.

Upon hearing the decision of the Court Johnson betrayed great emotion, and shed tears profusely. He was attended by a number of friends, and accompanied by them to the jail, in charge of Warden Brown.

The National Intelligencer, 14 February 1868, p.3:

Trial of Henry Johnson

The trial of Henry Johnson for the murder of Thomas Smoot was resumed yesterday morning in the Criminal Court. The court room was filled with spectators.

The case was open for the prosecution by Assistant District Attorney Wilson, who presented the main points in a brief statement. Mr. Davidge announced that the defense would reserve their opening.

The first witness examined was Dr. Charles Bowen, who was called to attend Smoot after he had been shot, and stated the nature of the wounds examined by him.

Dr. A. Behrend, the next witness, gave testimony to the same effect as the preceding witness.

The principal witness was Aholiab Sawyer, who occupied the house where the murder was committed, on Sixth street, near K., Officer Thomas Sneed also gave his testimony in reference to the prisoner coming to the Central Guard House and delivering himself up, on the afternoon the deed was committed.

T. W. Jones, Esq., a member of the bar, was the last witness examined, and after some discussion as to the admissibility of his testimony, the court adjourned until 10 o'clock today.

The National Intelligencer, 15 February 1868, p.3:

The Trial of Henry Johnson

The examination of witnesses for the prosecution was finished yesterday, and District Attorney Carrington concluded by submitting as evidence two deeds made by the prisoner in favour of his wife, in contemplation of separation.

Mr. Davidge then addressed the jury in behalf of the prisoner, presenting briefly the line of evidence which the defence would offer.

Henry B. Walker, Bladen Forrest, C. D. Welch, Riley A. Shian, Robert White, and M. V. Buckey testified as to the former good character of the prisoner for peace and amiability.

F. J. Brooks testified that he knew Smoot, and had heard him say he went armed for Johnson, intending if he crossed his path to be prepared for him.

The District Attorney subjected this witness to a rigid cross-examination, but was unable to weaken the strength of his evidence in favour of the prisoner.

After an examination of a number of witnesses, to prove the relation existing between Johnson and his wife the day prior to the tragedy, the defense announced that they were ready to submit the case without argument.

Mr. Wilson said the prosecution would prefer to argue the case, and submitted several prayers to the Court, which were the subject of argument when the court adjourned.

The *National Intelligencer*, 17 February 1868, p.3:

The Trial of Henry Johnson – He is Acquitted

On Saturday in the Criminal Court the trial of Henry Johnson for the murder of Thomas Smoot was finished, the jury rendering a verdict of “not guilty”, which announcement was received with marked demonstrations of applause by the large crowd assembled to hear the result of the trial. The officers of the court promptly checked this, and Mr. Davidge, the senior counsel for the prisoner, moved the discharge of his client. It was so ordered by the Court, and Mr. Johnson acknowledged his thanks both to the Court and jury, and received the congratulations of a large number of his friends. He then left the court-room in company with his friends.

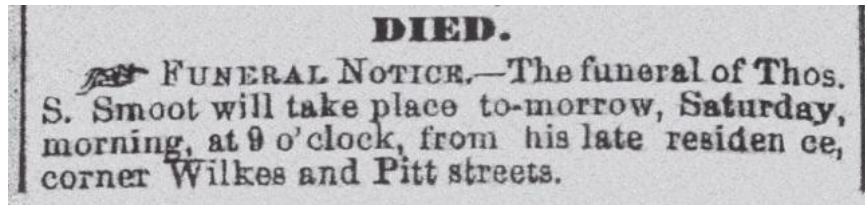
No doubt the jury was influenced by the evidence of Mr. F. J. Brooks who alleged that Smoot was armed and prepared for Johnson and the instructions given to them before they retired to consider their verdict:

If the jury shall find that the prisoner fired the fatal shot under the provocation of finding the deceased in adulterous intercourse with his wife, he is guilty of manslaughter, unless the jury shall find that when the shot was fired the prisoner entertained a reasonable apprehension of loss of life or great bodily harm, from which it would be more dangerous to attempt to retreat than to stand his ground.

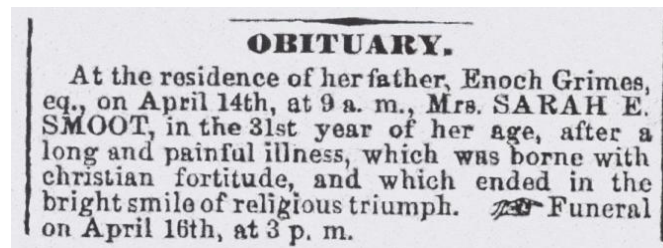
If the jury shall find the prisoner entertained such apprehension and that under all the circumstances the same was reasonable, then the prisoner is not guilty either of murder or manslaughter.

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Thomas⁸ Smoot's funeral notice appeared in the *Alexandria Gazette* on Friday, 21 June 1867:



Sarah Smoot, Thomas's widow, together with her children then appears to move into the home of her parents, Enoch and Mary Grimes. The following year on 14 April 1868 Sarah Grimes Smoot died. She was said to be 31 years of age. A notice of her passing was printed in the *Alexandria Gazette* the following day:



The *Alexandria Gazette* version of the story said that Thomas Smoot and his wife and four children lived in Alexandria, while the *National Intelligencer* reported five children. In 1867 when Thomas was murdered there were three children living that we know of: Mary, Isobel and Alabama. Their son James had died in 1862.

The fifth child of Thomas and Sarah Grimes Smoot is believed to be Lillie Belle Smoot who was adopted by Thomas's younger brother David⁸ Smoot and his wife Laura.

4. Maria⁸ Smoot was born 24 July 1832 and died 28 March 1889. Not married.
5. **David⁸ Lowe Smoot** the fifth and youngest child of Hezekiah⁷ Briscoe Smoot and his wife Harriet E. McNeal, was born in Alexandria, Virginia 1 October 1835. David qualified as an attorney and counsellor at Law on the 2nd day of November 1858.

Less than two months later, at the age of 23, on 26 January 1859, David was married to Laura W. Richards by the Rev. James T. Johnston of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Alexandria. Laura Wingfield Richards was born 25 May 1837 and baptised at St. Paul's Church on 8 October 1837. Laura was the daughter of William B. Richards and his wife Priscilla, née Crook. (Ref.: St. Paul's Register).



Laura W. Smoot
née Richards
1837–1902

William Burton Richards, a gentleman farmer, was born in 1793. The 1850 Census records his age as 57, his wife Priscilla age 49 and with children William Jr., age 19, **Laura**, age 13 and Adelaide age 9. St Paul's Cemetery records show William died 7 January 1879 aged 80. Later Census records and the St Paul's Registry show that William and Priscilla had thirteen children: **Adelaide**, Ann Eliza, Edith, Eva, Flora, George, **Laura**, Martha, Norman, Orlando, Oscar, Priscilla and William.

David Smoot and his family left Alexandria for California in July 1876. News of their departure was announced in the *Alexandria Gazette* on 31 July 1876:

Captain David L. Smoot, with his family, left here on Saturday night for San Francisco, Cal, where he will reside in future. Captain Smoot is a gentleman of much popularity and legal ability, and our citizens regret to lose him from amongst them, but wish him abundant success and prosperity in his new home.

William B. Richards died January 7, 1879. His death was reported in the *Alexandria Gazette* on 8 January 1879. (Page 3, Reel 136, Alexandria Library):

At Staunton, Va, January 7th, at 2 p.m.
Mr. WILLIAM BURTON RICHARDS, of
This city, in the 80th year of his age. ♣ His
Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend
His funeral, from the residence of L. O. O'Neal,
No. 163 Prince street on Thursday, Jan. 9th, at
11 a.m. – [Southern Churchman copy]

David Smoot's mother-in-law, Priscilla Richards, either accompanied David, his wife Laura and his children to San Francisco or she came across after her husband died in 1879. Priscilla Richards died 24 October 1884 in San Rafael at the age of 85.

Her passing was reported in the *Daily Alta* on 31 October:

RICHARDS—In San Rafael, October 24, Mrs. Priscilla Richards, aged 85 years.

During the Civil War David served with the **Confederate** States of America (CSA). He was commissioned an officer in the Virginia Alexandria Light Artillery Battery on 17 Apr 1861. Then he was promoted to full 2nd Lieutenant on 29 April 1862 and promoted to full Captain on 28 October 1862. David was mustered out on 23 January 1864.



A short biography of David L. Smoot was provided by *The Bay of San Francisco*, Vol. 1, p.442, 1892 under the heading '*San Francisco County Biographies*', submitted by Nancy Pratt Melton:

D. L. Smoot was a native of the Old Dominion, being born in Alexandria (Virginia). Father: * Capt. Charles Smoot, sea faring man. Married Miss McNeal of the old, time-honored Scottish family of McNeals. She is still living, in Alexandria, Virginia, at the advanced age of 87 years, in the house where Gen. Lafayette was entertained upon his visit to this country in 1832; she is the granddaughter of Baron McNeal, who was beheaded in Scotland for having participated in the last attempt to put the Stuarts on the throne. Grandmother McNeal's death occurred in Illinois in 1846, at the advanced age of 117 years.

D. L. Smoot who was born in 1835 received his education in Virginia; pursued his legal studies in Maryland and Virginia, and after passing three examinations, was admitted to the bar in October 1858. He engaged in the practice of law, and the following year was elected City Attorney. At the expiration of his term he was re-elected. He practised his profession there until the breaking out of the [Civil] war, when he enlisted and served in the Confederate army, holding commission of Captain of Light Artillery. After the close of the war he returned to Alexandria and resumed the practice of law and secured a large and successful business—being elected City Attorney again, and after that Commonwealth's Attorney. In July 1876 he came to California and settled in San Francisco, and since then for the past fifteen years he has practised his profession in this city. In 1879 he was elected District Attorney of the city and county of San Francisco.

* Note: David Smoot's father was Capt. Hezekiah⁷ Briscoe Smoot (1805–1856)



David L. Smoot
1835–1900

David⁸ Lowe Smoot died 12 February 1900. His obituary was printed in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on 13 February. A copy of this obituary was also found in Thomas Withers Chinn's scrapbook.

DEATH OF COLONEL DAVID L. SMOOT

OAKLAND, February 12.—Colonel David L. Smoot, who from 1879 to 1883 was District Attorney of San Francisco, died this morning at the residence of his daughter in East Oakland. Death was due to paralysis, from which the Colonel had been a sufferer for three years past. He had been compelled to give up all thought of business. In an effort to regain his health Colonel Smoot about three years ago purchased a home in Hayward, where he has since been residing until within the last few months. The stroke of paralysis which caused his death was the third which had overtaken the old gentleman, and, while he seemed to rally from the others, the improvement was by no means permanent.

Colonel Smoot was born in Alexandria, Va., October 1, 1835. Early in life he took up the study of law and followed the profession without interruption except for the four years that he spent in the Confederate Army, where he received his title of Colonel. He came to San Francisco in 1874, and since that time has continuously resided either in that city or its immediate neighborhood. Politically he was a Democrat, and in 1879 was elected on that ticket to the office of District Attorney of San Francisco.

Colonel Smoot leaves a wife and five children—Mrs. W. C. Price, Mrs. F. A. Berlin, Mrs. W. C. Robertson, Mrs. B. C. Harvey and Calvert Smoot, who recently graduated from the Theological Seminary at Rochester, N. Y., and who is now the pastor of the Baptist Church at Eugene, Or. Arrangements for the funeral service have not yet been completed, but it is thought they will be held Wednesday afternoon from the Centennial Presbyterian Church.

The deceased was a member of the Masonic fraternity, having been made a Mason in Washington Lodge at Alexandria, and it is quite likely that the funeral will be held under the auspices of the local lodge of Masons, with which he was affiliated.

Fran⁹ Saunders Borden, née Chinn, noted in her father's scrap book the names of two of David Smoot's daughters still living at the time of his death and omitted from his obituary:

Mrs James Bleuel (should read Mrs Maurice Joseph Bleuel)

Mrs Thomas W. Chinn.

Mrs James Bleuel is correctly David's daughter Virginia⁹ who married Maurice Joseph Bleuel.

For Fran to write Mrs. Thomas W. Chinn is an odd mistake to make about her own mother for when David Smoot died in February 1900, Fran's mother Lillie Belle had been Mrs. Jackson T. Pendegast for two years.

The *San Francisco Morning Call*, p. 9, col. 7 published a similar obituary the day following David Smoot's death:

Should read →
Mrs. M. J. Bleuel

**COLONEL SMOOT
PASSES AWAY**

Oakland Office San Francisco Call,
1118 Broadway, Feb. 12.

Colonel David S. Smoot, who was District Attorney of San Francisco nearly a quarter of a century ago, died this afternoon at the residence of his son-in-law, Benjamin Harvey, in East Oakland. The deceased was 65 years of age and had been ailing for several months.

Colonel Smoot was born in Alexandria, Virginia, and commanded a Confederate regiment during the Civil War. He came to San Francisco in 1876, and three years later was elected District Attorney. At the expiration of his term he moved to Oakland and practiced law until three years ago, when he ceased and retired to Hayward.

The deceased leaves a widow, five daughters—Mrs. M. J. Beril, Mrs. W. C. Price, Mrs. F. A. Berlin, Mrs. W. C. Robertson and Mrs. Benjamin Harvey—and one son, Rev. Calvert C. Smoot of Eugene, Or. The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon from Centennial Presbyterian Church, East Oakland. It will be under the auspices of the Masons, to which order the deceased belonged.

← Should read
Mrs. B. C. Robertson

This obituary names all six living children. Notably absent is Lillie Belle Smoot.

The Last Will and Testament of David⁸ L. Smoot was provided by Cathy Gowdy of the Marin County Genealogical Society and is dated 17 April 1871, some 29 years before his death.

In the name of God, Amen, I, D. L. Smoot of Alexandria, Va., being of sound and disposing mind and body and being daily admonished of the uncertainty (*sic*) of life and the inadequate provision made by Law for that wife who by the death of her husband is left the sole protector of a family of children do make this to be my last will and testament, viz: To my dear wife Laura W. Smoot I give devise and bequeath all of my estate, real personal and mixed; subject as a matter of course, to the payment of all just debts. With the request that no security shall be required of her, I hereby nominate and appoint my said wife executrix of this my last will and testament. Witness my hand and seal this 17th day of April A.D. 1871

D. L. Smoot

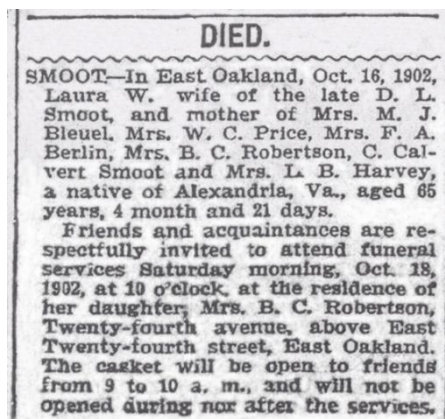
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The *San Francisco Call*, 13 March 1900:

Estate of D. L. Smoot.

OAKLAND, March 12.—Laura W. Smoot to-day filed for probate the will of her late husband, David L. Smoot, who died February 12, leaving an estate valued at \$2200. The widow is named as sole devisee and executrix.

Laura W. Smoot died 16 October 1902 in East Oakland, California. She was 65 years old. Her death was reported in the *Oakland Enquirer*, p. 1, col. 5 the next day:



This obituary lists all six living children. Notably absent again is Lillie Belle Smoot.

David⁸ L. Smoot and his wife Laura, née Richards, had ten children including one adopted daughter:

A. **Walter⁹ C. Smoot** was born January 1860 in Alexandria and died 31 March 1862. He was buried at St. Paul's Cemetery, Alexandria.

B. **Lillie⁹ Belle Smoot (adopted)** was born 16 July 1860. While this is the date



*Lillie B. Smoot Chinn
Pendegast
c.1860–1920*

we will use here, there is some disparity in the records as shown below. Lillie died 29 June in 1920 in San Francisco. Josephine Smoot, wife of David Smoot's grandson, Charles¹⁰ Calvert Smoot (1901–1985) asserted that Lillie Belle was the adopted daughter of David Smoot. While there is no direct evidence of this, the source is reliable given the close relationship of Charles Calvert Smoot. Lillie was a short, stout woman, only five feet tall, a stature inherited by her daughter Lillian⁹ Frances Chinn who was the same height, though less robust.

The following is a summary of the various birth dates found in the records for Lillie Belle Smoot:

Census for Alexandria, Virginia, enumerated 11 July, 1860:

D. L. Smoot	age 25	Lawyer
Laura W. Smoot	age 23	
Walter C. Smoot	age 6 months	(i.e. born Jan. 1860)

Census for Alexandria, Virginia, enumerated 13 June 1870:

D. L. Smoot	age 34	Lawyer
Laura W. Smoot	age 32	Keeping House
Virginia	age 7	
Harriet	age 5	
Priscilla	age 2	
Roselle	age 9 months	
Lilly Bell	age 10	at school (i.e. born 1860)
Richards, P	age 69	at home (Mother-in-law)

- ◆ The 1870 census for D. L. Smoot give her age as 10, thus born 1860.
- ◆ The 1880 census for D. L. Smoot gives her age as 20 thus born 1860.
- ◆ The 1890 census record is not available.
- ◆ In 1898 she married Jackson T. Pendegast. The marriage licence states she is aged 30, thus born 1868.
- ◆ The 1900 census for Lillie B. Pendegast (spelt Pendergast) gives her age as 34, thus born 1866.
- ◆ The 1910 census for Lillie B. Pendegast gives her age as 48, thus born 1862.
- ◆ On 6 October 1915 on arrival in New Zealand Lillie completed and signed a Certificate of Registration of American Citizen at the US Consulate in Auckland. This certificate states her date of birth as 16 July 1867.
- ◆ In 1918 Lillie applied for an emergency passport in New Zealand. The application states she was born 16 July 1866.
- ◆ On 29 June 1920 Lillie Belle died. Her death certificate states she was aged 59 years, 11 months and 13 days, thus born 16 July 1860. The informant was her daughter Lillian Frances Saunders and one would think she would have known her mother's date of birth.
- ◆ In 1941 Lillie's daughter, Lillian Frances Saunders, née Chinn, who was born 18 November 1885, obtained an *Affidavit of Birth*. This document states that her mother, Lillie Bell Smoot, was aged 24 when her daughter was born. This gives Lillie's year of birth as 1861.

David and Laura Smoot's first-born child, Walter C., who died 31 March 1862, was born in January 1860. If the date of birth on Lillie's death certificate is correct – 16 July 1860 – then it is not possible for her to be the child of Laura Smoot. Despite the conflicting dates for her year of birth we can reasonably assume that she was adopted sometime between 1860 June 1870 by David and Laura Smoot.

Lillie⁹ Belle Smoot was first married to Thomas⁸ Withers Chinn (1853–1913) on 26 January 1882 in San Francisco. → See Chapter 11: The Chinn Family, 8th generation. David Smoot, and Lillie's husband-to-be, Thomas Withers Chinn, were both descended from a common ancestor some 200 years earlier. If Lillie Bell was a child of the murdered Thomas Smoot then she would be her husband's 7th cousin.

Thomas⁸ Withers Chinn's direct ancestor and the original immigrant to America was John¹ Chynn (1640–1692). His second wife was Alice² Smoot, daughter of William¹ Smute (1596–c.1670) and Grace Wood and sister of Thomas² Smoot, the direct ancestor of David⁸ L. Smoot.

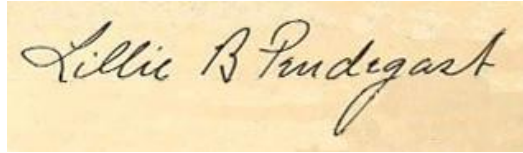
Lillie and Thomas W. Chinn had one child:

- i. **Lillian¹⁰ Frances (Fran) Chinn** was born 18 November 1885 in San Francisco.



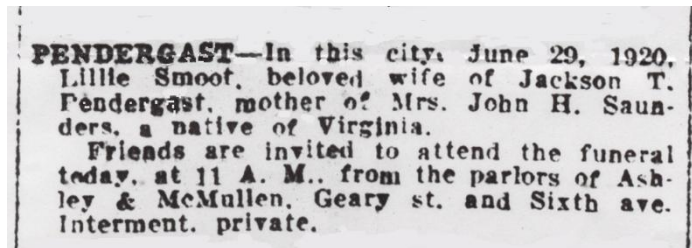
*Lillian Frances Chinn - aged about 25
1885–1968*

Lillie and Thomas were divorced around 1897. The following year on 18 May 1898 she married Jackson T. Pendegast in Arizona. He is possibly the son of or related to William Wirt Pendegast (1842–1876) and his wife Henrietta Wood. William Wirt Pendegast was a well-known attorney in the San Francisco and Napa areas.



Signature in October 1917

Lillie⁹ Belle Smoot Pendegast died in San Francisco 29 June 1920 aged 60. The cause of death was *progressive pernicious anemia*. She was cremated at Mt. Olivet Cemetery three days later on the 1st July. Her death and funeral were announced in the *San Francisco Chronicle*. Note that the name Pendegast is incorrectly spelt with an ‘r’ in her death notice and also on her death Certificate:



18 August 1920

Women's suffrage in the United States. The legal right of women to vote, was established over the course of several decades, first in various states and localities, sometimes on a limited basis, and then nationally in 1920. The 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution granted women the right to vote.



CERTIFICATION OF VITAL RECORD

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

PLACE OF DEATH **3701** **20-026311** California State Board of Health **1068**
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS State Index No. **4256**
City and County of **SAN FRANCISCO** STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH Local Registered No. **4256**
(No. **76 Sixth Avenue** St.; **3** Ward) [If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME, instead of CITY, and number and fill out Nos. 15a and 15b.]

FULL NAME Lillie Smoot Pendergast

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS			MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
SEX Female	COLOR OR RACE White	SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED Married	DATE OF DEATH June 29 1920	
DATE OF BIRTH July 18 1860			I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Sept. 8 th 1919, to June 19 th 1920	
AGE 59 years 11 months 13 days			that I last saw her alive on June 18 th 1920	
OCCUPATION At Home			and that death occurred on the date stated above at 3:45 P.M.	
BIRTHPLACE Virginia			The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: Progressive Peritonitis Anemia	
NAME OF FATHER David L. Smoot			What test confirmed diagnosis? J. Mitchell M.D. June 30 th 1920, (Address) <u>Shreve St. Bldg.</u>	
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER Virginia			State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or, in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES state (1) MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether (probably) ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL. (Use reverse side for additional space.)	
NAME OF MOTHER Laura Richards			PLACE OF BURIAL OR CREMATION Mt. Olivet Cemetery	
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER Virginia			DATE OF BURIAL July 1 1920	
LENGTH OF RESIDENCE At Place of Death 2 years 6 months 6 days			UNDERTAKER Ashley & McMullen	
IN CALIFORNIA 45 years 6 months 6 days			ADDRESS Geary & Sixth Avenue 521	
THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) Mrs. J. H. Saunders			REGISTRAR OF DEATHS WILLIAM C. HASSELER	
How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? years months days			DATE ISSUED JUN 19 1920	

Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

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This is to certify that this document is a true copy of the official record filed with the Office of Vital Records and Statistics.
S. Kimberly Belshe, Director and State Registrar of Vital Records and Statistics
by: *Peter Abbott*
GEORGE B. (PETER) ABBOTT, JR., M.D., M.P.H., CHIEF
OFFICE OF VITAL RECORDS AND STATISTICS
This copy not valid unless prepared on engraved border displaying seal and signature of Registrar.

ANY ALTERATION OR ERASURE VOIDS THIS CERTIFICATE

Continuing with the children of David L. Smoot and Laura Richards:

- C. **Virginia⁹ Smoot** was born 6 June 1863 in Gordonsville, Virginia. She married Maurice Joseph Bleuel on 25 December 1885 in San Rafael, California. Maurice was born in Monroe, New York on 31 January 1859 and died 13 June 1943 in Santa Clara, California. His parents were European—his father, Moritz Bleuel, was Swiss and his mother, Jeannette Bessier, was French. The 1910 Census gives his occupation as tea, coffee and spice merchant.

Maurice Bleuel died 13 June 1943. His death was reported in the *Oakland Tribune* two days later

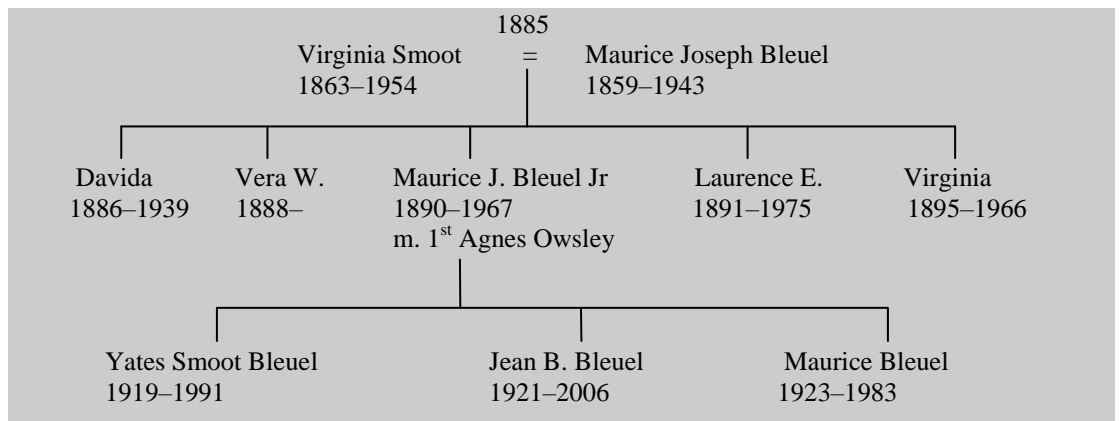
Virginia Smoot Bleuel died 7 March 1953 in Oakland, Alameda, California. Her death was reported in *The Oakland Tribune*, p.59, col.6 on 11 March:

BLEUEL—In Oakland, June 13, 1943. Maurice Joseph Bleuel, beloved husband of Virginia Smoot Bleuel; loving father of Mrs. Vera Peterson of Sonora, Maurice J. Bleuel of Oakland, Lawrence E. Bleuel of Richmond, Mrs. Virginia Baum of Berkeley and the late Davida Smoot Bleuel. A native of New York, aged 84 years 4 months 14 days. Sonora, California, papers please copy.

Friends are invited to attend the services at the Telegraph Avenue Chapel of Grant D. Miller Mortuaries, Inc., 2850 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland, Thursday, June 17th, 1943, at eleven o'clock a.m. Inurnment, Sunset View Crematorium.

BLEUEL—March 7, 1953. Virginia Smoot Bleuel, wife of the late Maurice Joseph Bleuel; loving mother of Vera Peterson of Sonora, Maurie J. Bleuel of Orinda, Lawrence Bleuel of Richmond and Virginia Baum of Oakland and the late David Bleuel; 10 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren survive. A native of Alexandria, Virginia, aged 90 years.

Private family services were held at Grant Miller Mortuaries, Tuesday. Rev. L. L. Cross officiated. Interment Mt. View Cemetery.



Virginia⁹ Smoot and Maurice Bleuel had five children:

- i. Davida¹⁰ S. Bleuel was born 4 October 1886 in Oakland, California and died 2 August 1939. Davida never married.



Davida S. Bleuel
Oakland Tribune - 4 June 1910



Davida S. Bleuel
1886–1939
University of California at Berkeley
The Blue and Gold Book - 1909

Davida's death was reported in *The Oakland Tribune*, p.31, col.5 the following day:

BLEUEL.—In Oakland, August 2, 1939; Davida Smbot Bleuel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice J. Bleuel Sr. and sister of Mrs. Theodore E. Fullmer, Virginia Baum, Maurice J. and Lawrence Bleuel. A native of Oakland, California, aged 52 years, 9 months, 28 days. A member of Oakland Teachers' Association.
Friends are invited to attend funeral services at the Telegraph Avenue chapel of the Grant D. Miller Mortuaries, Inc., 2850 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland, Saturday, August 5, 1939, at 10:30 o'clock a.m., with Rev. Ralph Marshall Davis officiating.

- ii. Vera¹⁰ W. Bleuel was born 16 Dec 1888 in California and died 27 June 1975 in Salinas, Monterey, California. She married George Martin Goodwin on Saturday, 2 July 1910. He was born 25 March 1889 in Oakland, California and died in 1968 in Hawaii. Their marriage was reported in the *Oakland Tribune* the same day:

Will Be a Saturday Bride

Miss Vera Bleuel will today become the bride of George Goodwin at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Bleuel, in East Oakland. Miss Bleuel will be her sister's sole attendant, but six little girls as ribbon bearers will precede the bride and her maid of honor. Maurice Bleuel Jr. will be Mr. Goodwin's best man. The young couple will make their home in Oakland. The bride-elect was the recipient of many social attentions in the weeks preceding her wedding, for she is very popular in Oakland society.—*The Wasp*.



Vera Bleuel
on her wedding day

George M. Goodman
WWI Draft Registration Card

Vera¹⁰ Bleuel and George Martin Goodwin had one son:

- a. George¹¹ Maurice Goodman was born 20 September 1911 in Alameda, California and died 8 January 2003 in Oakland, California. He was only seven years old when his parents divorced and he appears to have adopted his stepfather's name of Fullmer.

George¹¹ (Goodman) Fullmer married Margaret Patricia Corkery about 1937. She was born 18 January 1918 in San Francisco and died 18 November 1991 in Oakland, California. Margaret was the daughter of Michael Stephen Corkery (1878–1953) and Anastasia Harte (1883–1949). Both were born in Cork, Ireland and died in San Francisco.

George¹¹ (Goodman) Fullmer and Margaret Patricia Corkery had two children we know of:

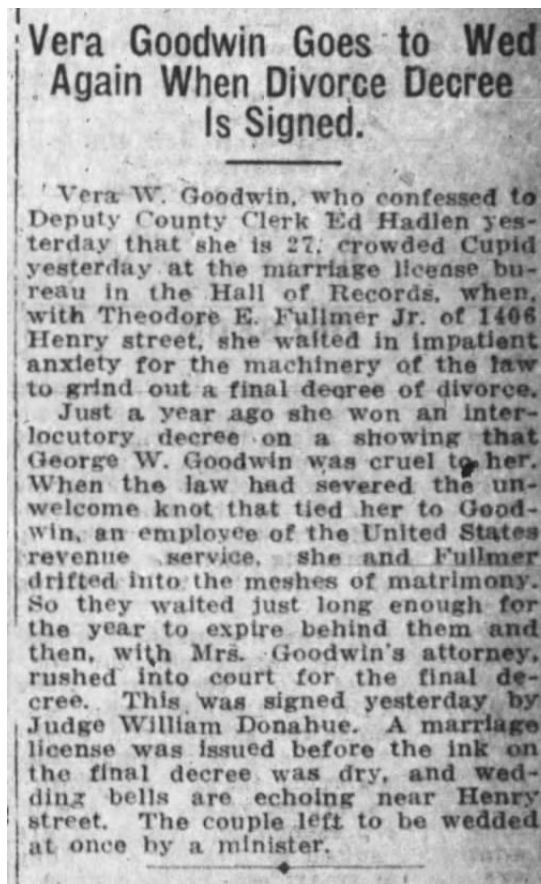
- (i) Patricia¹² Ann Fullmer was born 3 July 1938. She married Lloyd A. Derickson on 29 April 1961. He was born 18 May 1931 and died 19 June 1999.
- (ii) Lois¹² Ann Fullmer (pictured at right) was born 20 April 1952 and died 8 November 1996. She was first married to Eliahu P. Benani on 11 July 1975. They were divorced in April 1976. Lois married second to John A. Vos on 8 September 1979.



There is an unexplained difference of 14 years between the birth dates of the two daughters.

Vera¹⁰ Bleuel and George Martin Goodwin were officially divorced on 10 February 1917 and the same day she obtained a marriage licence to wed Theodore E. Fullmer II. They were married that afternoon. He was born 20 December 1895 in Utah and died 23 June 1951 in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Vera's divorce from George Martin Goodwin and marriage to Theodore E. Fullmer was announced in *the Oakland Tribune* on 11 February 1917:



Theodore E. Fullmer II was the son of Theodore E. Fullmer I (1871–1930) and Sylvia Ada Sanford (1875–1930), both of Utah.

Theodore E. Fullmer II
WWI Draft Registration Card

Vera¹⁰ Goodwin, née Bleuel and Theodore Fullmer II had two children:

- a. Lois¹¹ Virginia Fullmer was born 4 September 1918 in Alameda, California and died 26 October 1993 in San Diego. Lois was first married to Paul Daniels Fulmer 24 August 1940. At age 40 she married Angus B. Mackenzie on 1 February 1958.



Lois V. Fullmer 1918–1993
University of California at Berkeley
The Blue & Gold Year Book – 1939

- b. Theodore¹¹ E. Fullmer III was born 8 January 1922 in Oakland, California and died 30 April 2009 in Petaluma, California. His death was reported in the *Santa Rosa Press Democrat* on 3 May 2009:

FULLMER, Theodore E. Sr.
Born in 1922 in Oakland, CA. Died of natural causes at home in Petaluma on April 30, 2009. Mr. Fullmer was preceded in death by his wife, Anne Marie Fullmer. After retiring from a career in the music business, Mr. Fullmer was self-employed as a Five-Star Union Oil Dealer. He operated businesses in Marin and Sonoma Counties. He is survived by his three children: Theodore E. Fullmer IV, Ginny Marie Owen, and Nancy Fullmer, all of Sonoma County, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.
Arrangements in care of ADOBE CREEK FUNERAL HOME, 331 Lakeville St., Petaluma, CA 94952.

Theodore¹¹ married Anne Marie Parker on 23 July 1949. She was born 27 March 1923 and died 27 May 2000. They had three children:

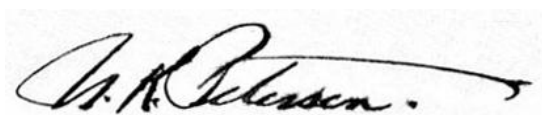
- (i) Theodore¹² E. Fullmer IV was born 13 April 1950 in Los Angeles. He married Sharon Christine Cicanese on 15 June 1974 in San Rafael, California. She was born 4 April 1951 in Marin County, California. They were divorced 7 November 1983.
- (ii) Virginia¹² Marie Fullmer was born 16 April 1952 in Los Angeles. She was married to Michael Patrick Kerrigan on

20 May 1972 in Marin County, California. He was born 26 August 1951 in San Francisco.

- (iii) Nancy¹² Catherine Fullmer was born 28 November 1955 in Los Angeles and died 8 January 2014. She married Bruce L. Maglione on 15 February 1976 in San Rafael, California. He was born 1 September 1953. Nancy and Bruce were divorced December 1977. Bruce married 2nd to Sandra J. Nelson on 31 October 1980.

By the 1940 Census Vera was said to be divorced and living in Alameda with her two children by Theodore: Lois, aged 21 and Theodore Jr. aged 19.

By 1967 when her brother Maurice Jr. died Vera was now Mrs Ulric Peterson. Ulric K. Peterson was born 17 August 1889 and died 27 April 1971. He was first married to Helen Murray on 9 May 1912 in Oakland, California.



Ulric K. Peterson
WWI Draft Registration Card

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Continuing with the children of Virginia⁹ Smoot and Maurice Bleuel.

- iii. Maurice¹⁰ Joseph Bleuel Jr. was born 8 June 1890 in Oakland, California. He was an attorney and was first married to Agnes Eudora Owsley in 1918. She was born 11 May 1898 in Syracuse, New York. Agnes was the daughter of John Guy Owsley (1859–1929) and his second wife Inez Eudora Yates (1876–1948) whom he married on 19 November 1894.

Maurice became the Deputy District Attorney of Oakland, California.



Maurice Joseph Bleuel Jr.
1890–1967

An article from the *The Oakland Tribune*, 13 May 1919:

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Ensign Maurice Bleuel, Jr., and his young bride are visiting at the home of the young naval officer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Bleuel of 322 Athol avenue, Oakland.

Ensign Bleuel has been stationed for some time upon the U. S. S. Oregon, and made the cruise from Mexico to Canada in the interests of the "Victory loan."

He expects to receive his discharge soon and return to his practice of law in this city, which he gave up two years ago when he enlisted in the navy.

Mrs. Bleuel was Miss Agnes Owsley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Owsley of Pasadena, her father being a capitalist of that city.

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Agnes Eudora Owsley
1898–1936

Maurice¹⁰ Joseph Bleuel Jr. died 24 April 1967 aged 76 years. His death was published in the *Oakland Tribune* the next day:

BLEUEL, Maurice J., in Oakland, April 24, 1967, beloved husband of Mae C. Bleuel; loving father of Yates L. Bleuel of Orinda, Jean B. Bouhaben of Pebble Beach and Maurice Bleuel of Orinda; stepfather of June C. Hubbell of New York; brother of Vera Peterson and Lawrence R. Bleuel; also survived by ten grandchildren. A native of Oakland; aged 76 years. A member of Yerba Buena Lodge No. 403 F. & A.M., Alameda County Bar Association, California State Bar Association, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Oakland Lodge of Elks No. 171 and Past President and member of the Oakland Lions Club. A graduate of the University of California, class of 1914, Sigma Chi Fraternity and Boalt Hall of Law.

Friends are invited to attend services Thursday, April 27, at 11 a.m. in the Gothic Chapel of the Mountain View Cemetery, 5000 Piedmont Avenue, Oakland. The Rev. B. Jean Clark officiating. Friends may call at the ALBERT BROWN MORTUARY, 3476 Piedmont Avenue, Oakland until 9 p.m., Wednesday, April 26.

Maurice J. Bleuel Jr.
WWI Draft Registration Card

Agnes Owsley Bleuel died 12 April 1936 in Oakland California. Her death was published in *The Oakland Tribune*, p.27, col.7 the next day:

BLEUEL -- In Oakland, April 12, 1936, Agnes O. Bleuel, beloved wife of Maurice J. Bleuel, and loving mother of Yates Smoot, Jean Owsley and Maurice Bleuel, daughter of Mrs. Ines E. Owsley; a native of New York, aged 38 years, 11 months, 1 day.

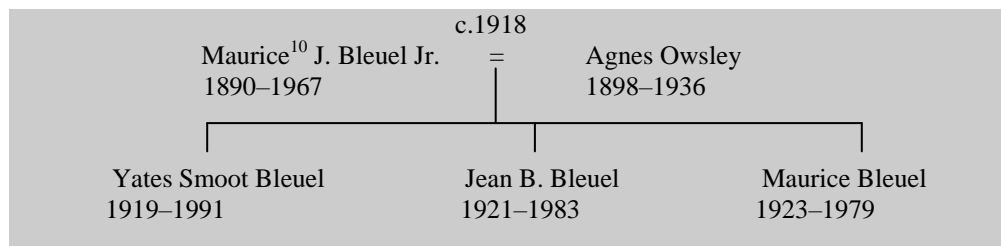
Friends are invited to attend the services at the Cathedral Chapel of the Grant D. Miller Mortuaries, Inc., 2850 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland, Tuesday, April 14, 1936, at 3:30 o'clock p. m.

Following Agnes's death, Maurice married for a second time to Mae E. Cortelyou on 14 August 1937 in Reno, Nevada. She was born in New York on 27 March 1896 and died June 1990. Mae, whose maiden name is unknown, was first married to Guyon Winant Cortelyou. He was born 21 October 1885 in Oakland, California and died 27 January 1936.



Mae E. Cortelyou Bleuel
1896–1990

Maurice¹⁰ Bleuel and Agnes Owsley had three children that we know of.



- a. **Yates¹¹ Smoot Bleuel** was born 12 October 1919 in Alameda, California. He married Cornelia Morgan Levis in 1949. She was born 13 July 1924 in Oakland, Alameda, California.



Yates Bleuel
1919–1991
University of California at Berkeley
The Blue and Gold Book - 1941



Cornelia Levis
1924–1999
University of California at Berkeley
The Blue and Gold Book - 1944

On 9 December 1941, two days after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour, Yates enlisted in the Air Corps for the duration of the war.

Yates¹¹ Smoot Bleuel died 24 November 1991 in Orinda, Contra Costa, California. His death was reported in the *Contra Costa Times*, p. 3B, col. 1 on 27 November 1991:

Yates Smoot Bleuel
Orinda
Oct. 12, 1919 — Nov. 24, 1991

Yates Smoot Bleuel, manager at Patrick and Co. 10 years, died Sunday at his home in Orinda. He was 72.

The Oakland native lived in Orinda 41 years. He was a 1941 graduate of UC-Berkeley and a member of Sigma Chi fraternity. He was an Army Air Corps veteran of World War II and a lieutenant colonel in the Air Force Reserve.

He is survived by his wife, Cornelia L. Bleuel of Orinda; daughters, Denise Bleuel of Napa and Molly Bleuel of Lake Tahoe; sister, Jean Bouhaben of Carmel; and two grandchildren.

Services: 1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 2, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Orinda. Arrangements are by the Neptune Society of Walnut Creek.

Memorial gifts: To charity.

Cornelia Levis Bleuel died 22 June 1999 in Walnut Creek, Contra Costa, California. Her obituary was printed in the *Contra Costa Times* (Walnut Creek, CA) on 30 June, p.8, col.5:

CORNELIA MORGAN LEVIS BLEUEL

Passed away peacefully at her home on June 22, 1999 in Walnut Creek. "Corny" was born July 13, 1924 to Marshall and Loretta Levis in Oakland, CA. She was raised in Berkeley and attended John Muir Elementary and Anna Head Schools. She attended UC Berkeley where she was a member of the Pi Beta Sorority and then she transferred to UCSF Nursing School where she was president of her class and there she received her BSN degree. "Corny" married Yates Smoot Bleuel in 1949 and she lived in Orinda for 45 years. She enjoyed her career at Providence College of Nursing as a popular nursing instructor. She later volunteered for Alta Bates Hospital and Walnut Creek Hospice. She was named Volunteer of the Year and Citizen of the Year in Alameda County. "Corny" had many devoted friends and she much enjoyed volunteering for and attending St. Stephens Episcopal Church where she was a member of the Altar Guild and Bell Choir. She was an avid reader and loved traveling and has visited six of the seven continents.

Loving mother to Denise Bleuel of Napa, CA., Molly Mellor of Lake Tahoe, CA., grandmother to Quoyah Tehee and Lucas Bleuel of Napa, CA., sister-in-law to Janice Levis of Bellevue, Washington and Jean Bouhaben, Carmel Valley. She is survived by ten nieces and nephews and many close friends including her cat "Lilly". She was predeceased by her husband Yates, her brother Donald Levis and her parents.

A Memorial Service will be held at St. Stephens Episcopal church July 1st, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. You may wear a hat in her honor. In lieu of flowers donations graciously accepted at: St. Stephens Episcopal Church, 66 St. Stephens Drive, Orinda, CA 94563 or Hospice of Contra Costa, 2051 Harrison, Concord, CA or Boys and Girls Club of Napa, 2031 1st St., Napa, CA 94559

Yates Bleuel and Cornelia Levis had two daughters:

- (i) Denise¹² Marie Bleuel was born 8 February 1950 in Alameda, California. She married Melvin V. Tehee on 1 October 1977.
- (ii) Molly¹² Mae Bleuel was born 21 June 1951 in Alameda, California. She married Bill K. Thurston on 27 June 1981.

Yates's future wife, Cornelia Levis, also contributed to the United States war effort.

U.S World War II Cadet Nursing Corps Card Files, 1942–1948

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UNITED STATES CADET NURSE CORPS
MEMBERSHIP CARD A

Name of Cadet:
Levis, Cornelia M.
(Last) (First) (Middle initial)

Cornelia M. Levis
Cadet's home address: (Signature of cadet)

55 Oakvale Ave
(Number and street, or R. F. D.)

Berkeley 5, Alameda, California
(City) (County) (State)

Cadet's age on date of admission to Corps 20

Date of birth July 13, 1924

Dates of admission to school: (Fill in all that apply)

(1) Originally October 30, 1944

(2) By readmission 10-30-4

(3) By transfer from another school 10-4-20

Date of admission to Corps October 30, 1944

Date of prospective beginning of Senior Cadet period 04-7

Date of issuance of Form 300, Certificate of Membership November 17, 1944

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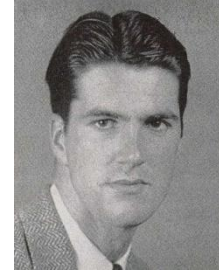
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- b. Jean¹¹ Owsley Bleuel was born 6 February 1921 in Alameda, Cal. and died 19 November 2006 in Carmel, Monterey, California. She married Emile Henry Bouhaben on 27 December 1942. He was born 11 April 1920 and died 7 October 1983.

*Emile Bouhaben
1920–1983
Spring President
Inter-fraternity Council
University of California at Berkeley
The Blue and Gold Book -1942*



- c. Maurice¹¹ Bleuel was born 19 April 1923 in Alameda, California and died in 9 May 1983 in Contra Costa, California. He was first married to Mary Jane Hammerland on 12 December 1944. She was born 4 November 1924 in Illinois and died 21 June 1976. After Mary's death Maurice married Lynda T. Morrison on 15 Sept. 1979. She was born 15 June 1926.



*Mary Jane Hammerland and Maurice Bleuel
on their wedding day.*

- iv. Laurance¹⁰ Edgerton Bleuel was born 8 Oct 1891 in Oakland, Alameda, California. He married Marjorie Jane McDaniel on 23 March 1914 in Reno, Nevada. She was born 7 March 1896 in Missouri and died 16 July 1977 in San Pablo, California.

*Laurance E. Bleuel
1891–1975
University of California at Berkeley
The Blue and Gold Book -1914*



Laurance died 19 December 1975 in Stockton, California. His death was reported in *The Stockton Record*, p.15, col.8 the following day and an obituary was published on 21 December in the same paper:

BLEUEL—In Stockton, Calif. December 19, 1975. Lawrence Bleuel, beloved husband of Mae Bleuel. Funeral services pending at B. C. WALLACE & SON, 520 N. Sutter St.

*Laurence E. Bleuel
WWI Draft Registration Card*

Laurance Bleuel

Final services for Laurance E. Bleuel, 84, of 6140 Greer, will be held at 4 p.m. Monday in the Unitarian Church, Bristol and Pacific avenues. Mr. Bleuel, who had been retired from Standard Oil Company for 25 years, died Friday in a local hospital.

A native Californian, he had lived in the Stockton area 23 years.

The family suggests tributes be made to the Diabetes Association for research.

Surviving are his wife, Mae, three children, Laurance Jr. of Citrus Heights, Howard Bleuel and Mary Klingler of Richmond, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Laurance¹⁰ Bleuel and Marjorie Jane McDaniel had three children:

- a. Laurance¹¹ E. Bleuel Jr was born 5 May 1915 in Sacramento and died 17 December 1989. He married Vivian Hazel Urie. She was born 28 September 1916 and died 16 November 1995 in Sacramento. Both Laurence and Vivian Bleuel were interred at Mount Vernon Memorial Park in Sacramento



Laurance¹¹ and Vivian Bleuel had two children:

- (i) Larry¹² Edward Bleuel was born 24 May 1936 in Alameda.
 - (ii) Laura¹² Lee Bleuel was born 6 March 1938 in Alameda.
- b. Mary¹¹ Virginia Bleuel was born 24 February 1917 and died 13 March 2007. She married Elmer Austin Klingler in 1938. He was born 9 December 1902 and died 18 June 1976. Their divorce in 1939 was announced in the *Oakland Tribune* on 29 June 1939:



- c. Howard¹¹ L. Bleuel was born 13 November 1919. He married Marjorie G. Ferguson. She was born 1922 in California.

Laurence¹⁰ and Marjorie apparently divorced and on 11 February 1949 he married Mae Zaida Downer in Reno, Nevada. She was born 23 March 1896 in Colorado and died 20 January 1993 in San Joaquin, California at the advanced age of 96. She was buried at Lemoore Cemetery, Kings County,

California. Mae was first married to Carlston R. Byron (1891–1939) and they had seven children.

Laurence's first wife, Marjorie Jane McDaniel, married second to Walter Charles Hartley on 7 June 1945. He was born 1 June 1890 in Pennsylvania and died 27 November 1958 in Alameda, California.

Following Walter's death, Marjorie married for a third time to George Edward Ford on 3 November 1963 in Carson City, Nevada. He was born 30 September 1892 in Missouri and died 24 October 1965 in Contra Costa, California.

Marjorie Jane Ford died 16 July 1977 in San Pablo, Contra Costa California. George and Marjorie are buried together at the Golden Gate Cemetery. They share the same tombstone – George on the front and Marjorie on the back.



Marjorie Ford's death was reported in *The Independent Gazette*, p.23, col.5 two days later:

FORD in San Pablo, California on July 16, 1977. Marjorie "Peg" Ford of 891 Marin Road, El Sobrante, California. Mother of Laurance Bleuel of Citrus Heights, California; Howard Bleuel and Mrs. Mary Klingler, both of Richmond, California. Mrs. Ford is also survived by 9 Grandchildren, 14 Great Grandchildren and 1 Great Great Grandson. A member of the Women of the Moose Lodge No. 566 of San Pablo, California; Past President and Musician of the George F. Imback Post No. 913 Auxiliary, V.F.W., and the Auxiliary of the Veterans of World War I, Barracks No. 230, both of Richmond, California; the Contra Costa County V.F.W. and the 14th District V.F.W. Mrs. Ford was musician for all the Veterans Organizations. A native of Kirksville, Missouri, aged 81 years.

Continuing with the last born child of Virginia⁹ Smoot and Maurice Bleuel ...

- v. Virginia¹⁰ Bleuel was born 8 January 1895 in Oakland, California and died 26 June 1966 in San Francisco. She married Merle Burton Baum in 1922. He was born 26 September 1891 in Omaha, Nebraska and died February 1975.

Mrs. M. J. Bleuel will leave for the east next week to spend the winter in Washington, D. C. En route Mrs. Bleuel will stop in Omaha, Nebraska, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Merle Burton Baum of that city. Mrs. Baum was Miss Virginia Bleuel before her wedding, a social event of several seasons ago.

The Oakland Tribune,
14 October, 1922



Continuing with the children of David⁸ L. Smoot and Laura Richards:

- D. **Harriett⁹ (Hattie) Lee Smoot** was born 1 September 1865 in Virginia. She married Wallace Calvert Price on 30 November 1882. He was a commission merchant and was born in Iowa on 1 November 1857. Their marriage was announced on 3 December 1882 in the *San Francisco Morning Call*:

PRICE-SMOOT—In this city, November 30, at St. John's Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. Dr. Scott, Wallace C. Price and Harriett Smoot, both of San Francisco.

Hattie⁹ Smoot Price died 19 October 1911 in San Francisco. Her unfortunate demise was reported in the *San Francisco Call* on 21 Oct 1911:

**OPERATION FATAL TO
MRS. HATTIE PRICE
Seven Children and Husband
Survive Pioneer**

OAKLAND, Oct. 20.—Mrs Hattie Smoot Price, an Oakland pioneer, died last night at the St. Francis hospital, San Francisco, following an operation.

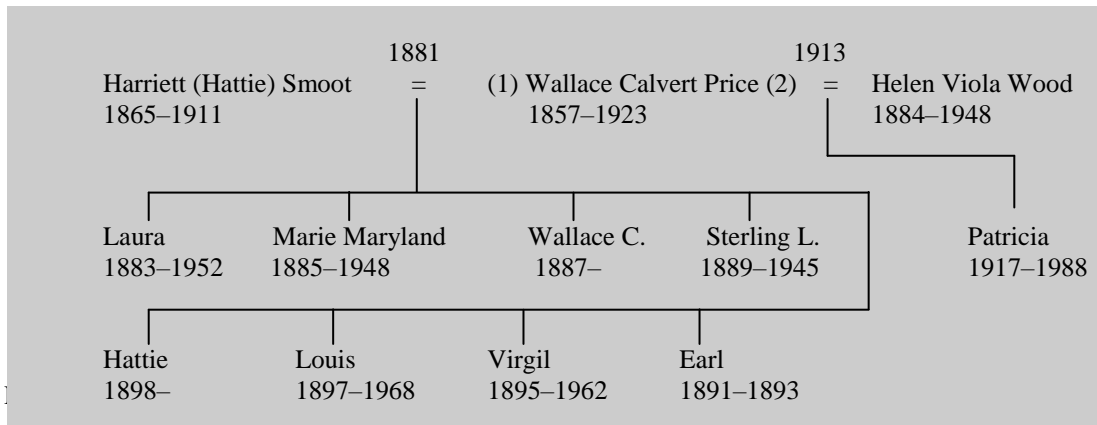
Mrs. Price was the wife of W. C. Price and a daughter of the late David L. Smoot, a former district attorney of San Francisco. She was a member of the First Presbyterian church and the Order of the Eastern Star. Mrs. Price is survived by her husband and seven children, Mrs. Ed A. Dalton of Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Milton H. Price, Wallace C. Jr., Sterling, Virgil, Louis and Hattie Price.

The funeral will be held from the family residence, 1513 Twenty-fourth avenue, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.



Harriett (Hattie) Smoot
1865–1911

Hattie⁹ Smoot and Wallace Price had eight children



- i. Laura¹⁰ Smoot Price was born 16 October 1883 in Oakland, Alameda, California and died 5 June 1952 in Alabama. She married Edward Avant Dalton on 14 June 1905. He was born 5 August 1869 in Tennessee and died 3 June 1940 in Alabama. Edward was previously married to Mary Brown on 5 June 1894. Laura and Edward had one child that is known.
 - a. Hattie¹¹ Maryland Price Dalton was born 26 July 1908 in Tennessee and died 30 December 1978 in Alabama. She married Charles L. Patterson. He was born about 1908.
- ii. Marie¹⁰ Maryland Basford Price was born 10 February 1885 in Oakland, Alameda, California and died 23 October 1948 in Boston, Middlesex, Massachusetts. She married Milton Humphries Price (no relation) on 2 September 1909. He had been previously married in 1881 and was 32 years older than Marie. Milton was born 26 January 1853 in Alexandria, Virginia. He was the son of Benjamin Franklin Price (1828–1894) and Mary Humphries (1830–1895).



Milton Humphries Price
1853–1927



Marie 'Maryland' Price
1885–1948

Milton died 2 November 1927 in Oakland, California. His death was reported in the *Oakland Tribune* On 24 November:

PRICE—In Oakland, Nov. 23, 1927. Milton H. Price, dearly beloved husband of Maryland B. Price and loving father of Milton H. Jr., and Harriet S. Price, a native of Virginia; a member of De Soto Lodge F. & A. M. of Memphis, Tenn.
Funeral at the chapel of Grant D. Miller, 2372 East Fourteenth street, corner Twenty-fourth avenue, Oakland, Saturday, November 26, 1927, at 2 o'clock p. m. Incineration.

Marie¹⁰ and Milton Price had two children:

- a. Milton¹¹ Humphries Price Jr. was born 4 July 1910 in Oakland, Alameda, California. He married Violet Grace Bellingham on 11 June 1938 in Reno, Nevada. She was born 28 January 1912 in Haywood, Alameda, California.



Milton Humphries Price Jr.
1910–1986



Violet Grace Bellingham
1912–1976

After Violet died Milton¹⁰ married Hulda Jeanne Rathgeber Bruzzone on 16 August 1978 in Carmel, Monterey. She was born 2 May 1917 in Riverside, California and died 15 September 2003 in Carmel, CA. Hulda was first married to Louis Bruzzone on 28 December 1941. He was born 22 May 1961 and died 2 January 1996.

Milton H. Price Jr. died 12 February 1986 in Carmel, Monterey. His death was reported in the *Monterey Peninsula Herald* the next day.

Violet Price died 13 October 1976 in Carmel, Monterey. Her death was reported in the *Monterey Peninsula Herald* the following day.

Milton H. Price

Retired Army Lt. Col. Milton Humphrey Price, 75, of Carmel, a Peninsula resident for more than 20 years, died Tuesday at Community Hospital after a brief illness.

Born July 4, 1910, in Oakland, Col. Price served 32 years in the Army before retiring in 1962.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanne, a daughter, Susan Stricklen of Tracy; a sister, Harriett of Santa Rosa; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

No funeral services are planned. Private cremation will take place at the Little Chapel by-the-Sea, Pacific Grove. Inurnment will follow at the Chapel of the Chimes, Oakland. The Paul Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

The family prefers memorial contributions to the University of California at Berkeley Scholarship Fund.

Violet Price

Mrs. Violet G. Price of Del Mesa Carmel died yesterday at her home, apparently of a heart attack. She was 64.

Mrs. Price was born Jan. 28, 1912 in Hayward and had been a resident of Carmel for 10 years. She was a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley, class of 1934 and a member of Sigma Kappa sorority. She was also a member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Carmel.

She is survived by her husband, Milton H. Price of Del Mesa Carmel, a daughter, Mrs. Susan Withers of Bakersfield, a sister, Mrs. Alice Olson of Berkeley and four grandchildren.

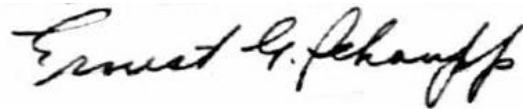
Memorial services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. at the Chapel of the Chimes, Oakland, with inurnment to follow.

Donations are preferred to the Heart Association or the donor's favorite charity.

Paul Mortuary is in charge of local arrangements.

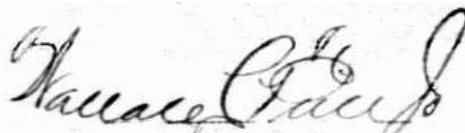
- b. Harriet¹¹ Smoot Price was born 10 August 1912 in Oakland, Alameda County and died 3 November 1987 in Tracy, San Joaquin., California. It is believed she never married.

Ten years after Milton's death Marie¹⁰ married Ernest Gottlob Schaupp on 28 November 1937. He was born 27 May 1881 and died 21 November 1963 in Sonoma, Marin County, California.



Ernest G. Schaupp
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- iii. Wallace¹⁰ Calvert Price Jr was born 23 November 1887 in Oakland, Alameda, California. He died 6 April 1937.



Wallace C. Price
WWI Draft Registration Card

- iv. Sterling¹⁰ Leonard Price was born 26 December 1889 in Oakland, Alameda, California and died 13 January 1945 in Sausalito, Marin County, California. He married Bertha Irene ‘Margaret’ Williams on 29 April 1911. She was born 20 April 1889 and died 25 October 1978.

Sterling Leonard Price
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- v. Earl¹⁰ Harbin Price was born 30 September 1891 Oakland, Alameda, California and died two years later on 26 January 1893.
- vi. Virgil¹⁰ Price was born 10 July 1894 in Oakland, Alameda, California and died 14 January 1962 in New City, Rockland, New York.
- vii. Louis¹⁰ Pirtle Price was born 5 February 1897 in Oakland, Alameda, California and died 11 March 1968 in Los Angeles. He married Beatrice Grace Lercara on 4 June 1921. She was born 1900 and died 1969.
- viii. Hattie¹⁰ Price was born 10 October 1898 in Oakland, CA and died in Boston, Middlesex, Massachusetts

Two years after Hattie⁹ (née Smoot) died, on Thursday, 3 July 1913, Wallace Price married Helen Viola Wood. Helen was born 11 February 1884 and died 20 October 1948 in San Francisco. Wallace and Helen’s marriage was announced in the *San Francisco Call* on 6 July 1913:



Wallace Calvert Price and Viola Wood had one daughter:

- i. Patricia Wood Price was born 1 October 1917 in Oakland, Alameda, Cal. and died 20 June 1988 in Genoa, Nevada. She married Adellon Frank Hanson on 22 September 1940 in Alameda, California. He was born 4 January 1917 in Wisconsin and died September 1991 in Nevada.

Adellon Frank Hanson
1917–1991



Wallace C. Price died 18 February 1923 in Oakland, Alameda, California. His death was reported in *The Oakland Tribune*, p.18, col.2 the next day:

PRICE—In Oakland, February 18, 1923. Wallace C. Price, husband of Helen Wood Price and father of Mrs. Ed. A. Dalton, V. M., Wallace C. Jr., Louis P., Sterling, Hattie Ione and Patricia Price and Mrs. M. H. Price; a native of Iowa, aged 65 years, 3 months and 17 days. A member of Live Oak Lodge No. 61, F. & A. M.; Oakland Chapter No. 36, R. A. M., and Oakland Pyramid No. 2, A. E. O. S.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral services Tuesday, February 20, 1923, at 2 o'clock p. m., from his late home, 2021 24th ave., thence to Mt. View cemetery, where Live Oak Lodge No. 61, F. & A. M., will hold services. Remains at the chapel of Grant D. Miller, 2872 E. 14th st., until 11 a. m. Tuesday.

The officers and members of Oakland Chapter No. 140, O. E. S., are hereby notified to attend the funeral services of our late past patron and brother, Wallace C. Price, from his late home, 2021 24th ave., Oakland, at 2 o'clock p. m., Tuesday, February 20th, 1923.

ROWENA E. FARADAY,
Worthy Matron.
VENICE F. CUSHING, Secy.

- E. **Priscilla⁹ Smoot** was born in Virginia 31 October 1867. She married Frederick Augustus Berlin in 1890. Frederick was an attorney who was born 1 August 1848 in Beverly, Randolph County, Virginia. Priscilla died 25 July 1942. *The Oakland Tribune*, p. 19, col. 6 carried her death notice two days later:

BERLIN—In Oakland, July 25, 1942, Priscilla Smoot Berlin, mother of Mrs. Fred B. Mellmann and Paul Latham Berlin, grandmother of Rowena Mellmann and Frederick Latham Berlin, sister of Virginia S. Bluel and Roselle Robertson of Oakland and Mrs. Laura S. Grant of Sacramento, daughter of the late Colonel and Mrs. D. L. Smoot, a native of Alexandria, Virginia.

Friends are invited to attend services Tuesday afternoon, July 28, at 2 o'clock at the Albert Brown Chapel, 3476 Piedmont Avenue, Oakland.

Frederick Augustus Berlin died 3 September 1920 in Alameda, California. His death was announced in the *Oakland Enquirer*, p.3, col.2 the next day:

BERLIN—In Alameda, September 3, 1920, Frederick Augustus Berlin, beloved husband of Priscilla Smoot Berlin, loving father of Mrs. Valerie Berlin Molanann and Paul Latham Berlin. A native of Beverly, W. V., aged 72 years.



The above should read Mrs. Valerie Berlin MELLMANN

Frederick Augustus Berlin
1848–1920

Extracted from the 1913 edition of *Who's Who on the Pacific Coast*:

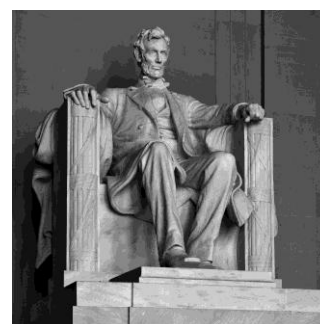
BERLIN, Frederick Augustus, Lawyer; born, Beverly, Randolph Co., West Va., Aug. 1, 1848; son, George W. and Susan Miranda (Holt) B. Edu.: Shemariah Academy, Augusta Co., Va.; one year, Roanoke College, Salem, Va.; 2 years, Washington and Lee Univ., Lexington, Va.; 3 years, Univ. of Va., Charlottesville, Va., LL. B., 1871. Married, Priscilla Smoot, May 28, 1890, at San Francisco, Cal. Admitted to practice law in the State of Virginia in Aug., 1871; practiced in partnership with his father, G. W. Berlin, for 3 years at Harrisburg, Va. In Nov., 1874, went to Savannah, Ga., and was there admitted to practice in State and Federal Courts; remained there 3 months and went to Cal., Feb. 19, 1875; admitted to practice in all courts of Cal. Had office in San Francisco until Apr. 18, 1906, when office was burned in the great conflagration; 3

years thereafter office was in Alameda. Since Nov. 1, 1909, has had office in Oakland. Pres., Outerlocking Stone Co., and Dir. in a number of large corporations. As atty. has incorporated and advised some of the largest water Co.'s, banks, commercial and mining corporations in Cal. and Nev. Has been atty. for many large estates and has been atty. in much important litigation in Cal. during last 37 years. Has always practiced law individually in Cal.—practice has been general. Life member, San Francisco Law Library; active member of the Natl. Union, a fraternal ins. organization. One of the oldest members of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, which now has a membership of over 8000. Member and Elder, Presbyterian Church. Democrat. Res.: 1525 Chestnut st., Alameda, Cal.; Office: 410 Central Bank bldg., Oakland, Cal.



30 May 1922

The Lincoln Memorial was dedicated. It was built in 1922 to honour the 16th President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln and to heal national divisions caused by the Civil War. The famous statue of Lincoln which dominates the interior was created by Daniel Chester French. The finished statue is 19 feet tall and carved out of 28 blocks of white Georgia marble.



Priscilla⁹ Smoot and Frederick Berlin's marriage was reported at length in the *Daily Alta California* on 1 June 1890:

BERLIN-SMOOT.

On Wednesday evening last, at St. John's Presbyterian Church, on the corner of California and Octavia streets, Miss Priscilla Smoot and Mr. Frederick Augustus Berlin were married. The bride is the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. David L. Smoot of East Oakland, and the groom is a well-known attorney of this city.

Two thousand invitations were issued for the affair and the church was crowded with friends of the contracting parties. The decorations were the work of the ladies of the church, and, as might be expected, were extremely artistic. The vestibule walls were covered with evergreens. In the church itself, the south side had been transformed by a wealth of blossoms against a dark background of exotics. Roses of every hue, tastefully arranged, daintily outlined the handsome carved face of the reading-desk. The font was one mass of calla lilies, rising from a bed of scarlet gladioli. High above, immediately over the position taken up by the affianced pair, depended a large wedding bell composed entirely of happily blended floral treasures. Altogether, the decorations were in many ways unique in their beauty.

At 8:30 the bridal party entered the church. First came the ushers, Messrs. E. W. Skelton, George Cabamiss, Rhodes Borden and Dr. S. P. Tuggle; next came two little Misses, Laura Price and Fanny Chinn, followed by the two maids of honor, Miss Laura Smoot and Miss Annie Clay. Then came the bridesmaids, Miss Alice Stevenson and Miss Blanche L. Chinn. Following came the bride, leaning on the arm of her father. At the altar the party was met by the groom and his best man, Mr. Charles H. Berlin, and by Surgeon L. G. Heneberger, U. S. N., of the *Iroquois*, as groomsman.

The service was read by the Rev. J. K. Smith, D. D.

After the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the Palace Hotel, where an informal reception was held, and a sumptuous wedding supper partaken of.

Many elegant and costly gifts were received by the newly wedded pair.

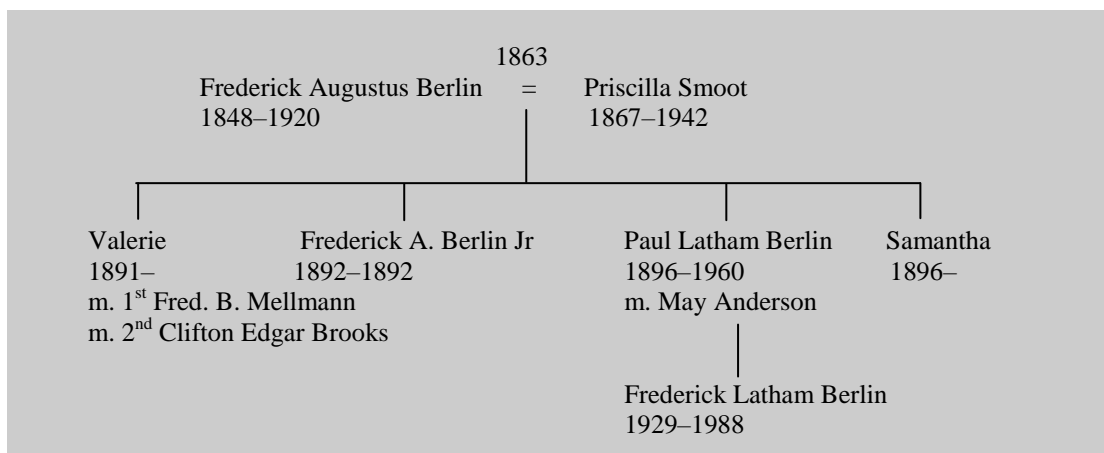
To-morrow Mr. and Mrs. Berlin will leave the Palace Hotel on an extended Eastern tour.



Surgeon Lucien Guy
Haneberger
1851–1919
Chief Medical Officer
aboard the Battleship
U.S.S Maine when she
was lost in Havana
Harbor

Note: One of the 'two little Misses', Miss Fanny Chinn, mentioned above is the four and a half year-old Lillian⁹ Frances Chinn, the subject of this chapter.

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Priscilla⁹ Smoot and Frederick Augustus Berlin four children:

- i. Valerie¹⁰ Berlin who was born 28 May 1891 in California and died 3 September 1967 in Alameda, California.. She married Fred Bohle Mellmann 23 January 1918.. The son of German immigrants, Fred Mellmann, who was an attorney, was born 3 January 1892 in California and died 3 October 1958 in Alameda, California. They had one daughter:
 - a. Rowena¹¹ Mellmann was born 17 July 1932 and died 3 April 1962.

Fred B. Mellmann died 30 October 1958. The *Oakland Tribune* p. 57, col. 8 published a notice of his death the next day:

MELLMANN, Fred B., in Oakland, October 30, 1958, beloved husband of Valerie B. Mellmann; loving father of Rowena Mellmann; brother of Mrs. Herbert Wildenradt. A native of New York City; aged 66 years. A member and past exalted ruler of Oakland Lodge No. 171, B.P.O.E., a member of Sequoia Lodge No. 349, F. and A. M., American Legion Post No. 5, 91st Division Association of Oakland, Alameda County Bar Association, California Bar Association and Sequoia Country Club.

Friends are invited to attend services Monday, November 3, at 2 p.m. in the Chapel of Albert Brown Mortuary, 3476 Piedmont Avenue, Oakland, under auspices of Oakland Lodge of Elks.



Tribune photo
FRED B. MELLMANN
Prominent Attorney Dies

Fred B. Mellmann
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On 16 March 1963 at the age of 71 Valerie married for the second time to Clifton Edgar Brooks, an attorney who was born 15 May 1886 in Oakland, Alameda, California. He had been previously married twice before: first to Gertrude L. Machir on 22 February 1917. She died 15 February 1938. His

second wife was Charlotte H. Singer, M.D whom he married on 17 August 1934 and divorced in October 1968. She died 24 December 1945.

Valerie¹⁰ Mellmann died in September 1967 and Clifton, now 82 years old, married Charlotte King Morrison on 26 August 1968. This marriage was short-lived as Clifton died eight months later on 3 April 1969 in Los Angeles.



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Clifton Edgar Brooks
1886–1969
University of California Berkeley 1910

- ii. Frederick¹⁰ A. Berlin Jr was born 27 May 1892 and died six months later on 30 December 1892. His death was reported in the *San Francisco Morning Call*, p. 8, col. 7, the next day:

BERLIN—In this city, December 30, 1892, Frederick A. Berlin Jr., son of F. A. and Priscilla S. Berlin, aged 6 months and 3 days.
The funeral will take place THIS DAY (Saturday), at 12 o'clock M., from 1906 Webster street, between Pine and California. Interment private. Please omit flowers. 1

- iii. Paul¹⁰ Latham Berlin was born 27 April 1896 in Oakland, California and died 11 March 1960 in Alameda, California. He married May Bodel Anderson on 23 January 1928. She was born 24 July 1905 and died 15 July 1972.

Paul Latham Berlin
WWI Draft Registration Card

Paul¹⁰ L. Berlin and May Anderson had one son we know of. There may have been other children.

- a. Frederick¹¹ Latham Berlin was born 26 September 1929 and died 21 April 1988. He married Jayne L. Alfrey on 16 May 1953.

Paul¹⁰ Latham Berlin died 12 March 1960. The next day his death was announced in the *Oakland Tribune*, p. 55, col. 4:

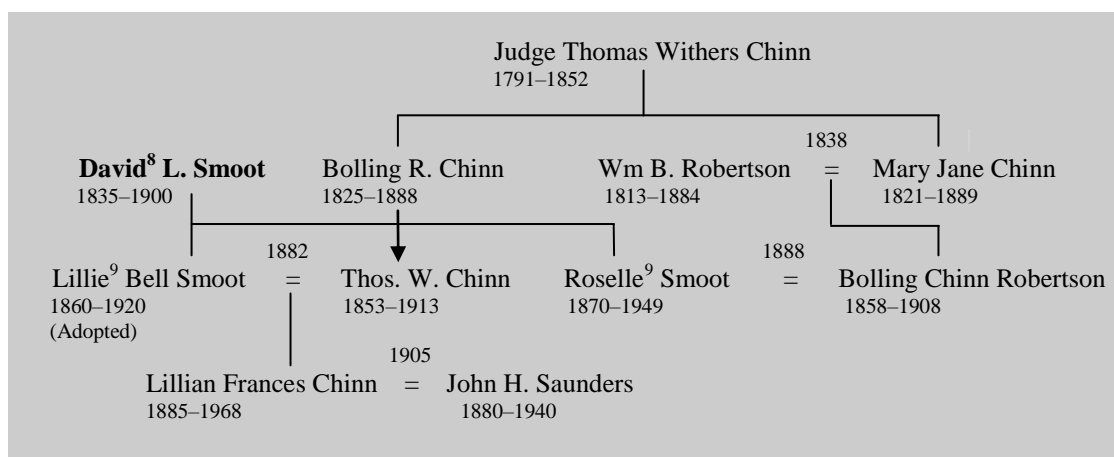
BERLIN, Paul Latham, in Oakland, March 12, 1960; beloved husband of May Berlin; loving father of Fred L. Berlin of Oakland; brother of Valerie Mellmin of Piedmont; grandfather of three grandchildren. A native of Oakland; aged 64 years. A member of the faculty of Lick Wilmerding High School of San Francisco.
Funeral services on Tuesday, March 15, at 1:30 p.m. from the George W. Murphy Mortuary, 1421 High Street, Alameda. (Contributions to the Heart Fund are preferred.) Inurnment in Mountain View Cemetery, private.

Paul's wife, May Anderson Berlin, died 15 July 1972. A death notice was placed in the *Oakland Tribune*, p. 28, col. 1 the following day:

BERLIN, May Anderson, in Alameda, July 15, 1972, beloved wife of the late Paul L. Berlin; loving mother of Fred L. Berlin of Alameda; sister of Elsa Mikkelsen of Fremont, Margaret Stetz of Hayward and Clarence Anderson of Alamo; grandmother of Paul, Mark, Kris, and Beth Berlin. A native of Newark; aged 66 years. A life member of the Parent Teachers Assn. of Alameda. Friends are invited to attend the services Monday, July 17, at 10 a.m. from GEORGE W. MURPHY MORTUARY, 1421 High St., Alameda. Contributions to the Arthritis Foundation preferred. Interment, private, Mt. View Cemetery.

iv. Samantha¹⁰ Berlin was born 27 April 1896 in Oakland, California.

F. **Roselle⁹ Smoot** was born 1 May 1870 in Virginia. On 29 October 1888 she married Bolling⁸ Chinn Robertson (source: Dixie Murphy letter), the cousin of her adopted sister Lillie⁹ Belle Smoot's first husband Thomas⁸ Withers Chinn.



Bolling⁸ was born 19 June 1858 in Louisiana. He was the son of Mary⁷ Jane Chinn (1821–1889) who had married Judge William² Blount Robertson (1813–1884) on 16 April 1838.

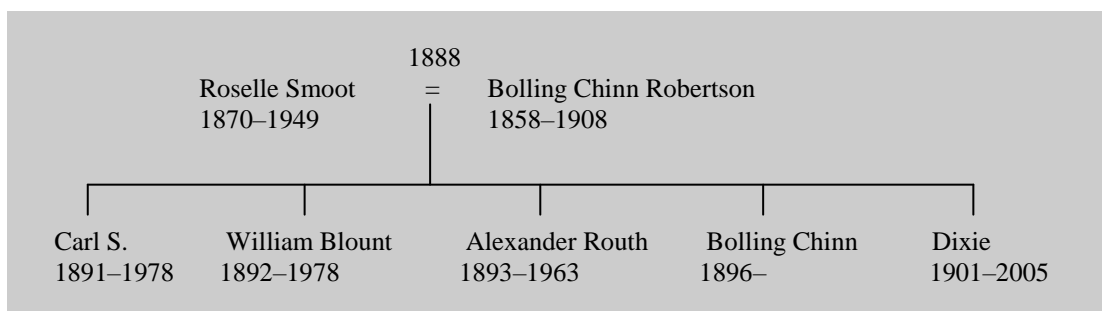
Bolling Chinn Robertson died 14 December, 1908. His death was reported in the *Oakland Tribune*, p. 15, col. 7 the following day:

ROBERTSON—In Oakland, Cal., December 14, 1908, Bolling Chinn, beloved husband of Roselle S. Robertson and father of Carl, William, Alexander, Bolling and Dixie Robertson, a native of Louisiana, aged 50 years, 5 months and 26 days. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services Wednesday morning, December 16, 1908, at 10 o'clock, at the funeral parlors of the Albert Brown Company, 572 Thirteenth street.

Roselle⁹ Smoot Robertson died 24 April 1949 in Alameda, California. Her death was reported in the *Oakland Tribune*, p. 31, cols. 4–5, the next day:

ROBERTSON—In Hayward, April 24, 1949, Roselle Smoot Robertson, beloved mother of Mrs. Albert M. Murphy, Carl, William B., Alexander R. and Bolling C. Robertson; grandmother of Waldo R. Williams, Bolling Francis and Billie Violet Robertson; sister of Mrs. Virginia Smoot Bluel and Laura Smoot Grant; a native of Virginia; aged 79 years.

Friends are invited to attend services Tuesday afternoon, April 26, 1949, at 3:30 o'clock in the chapel of Albert Brown Co., 3476 Piedmont Avenue. Interment, Mountain View Cemetery.



Roselle⁹ Smoot and Bolling⁸ Chinn Robertson had five children:

- i. Carl⁹ S. Robertson was born 31 March 1891 in Oakland, California. Carl married Doris M. Haslam on 12 September 1921. She was born 27 October 1901 and died 1 December 1964 in Alameda, California.

Carl died 20 August 1978 in Alameda. He was buried at the *Little River Cemetery*, Mendocino County, California. His death was reported in *The Oakland Tribune* on the 22nd :

ROBERTSON, Carl, in Oakland, August 20, 1978; beloved brother of Dixie S. Murphy of Littleriver; dear uncle of Billie VI Raust of Lajolla, Bolling Francis Robertson of Orland and Waldo R. Williams of Alameda; grand uncle of Stuart Williams of Alameda. A native of Oakland; aged 87 years. A 50 year member of the American Legion Post No. 5 of Oakland.

Carl Robertson
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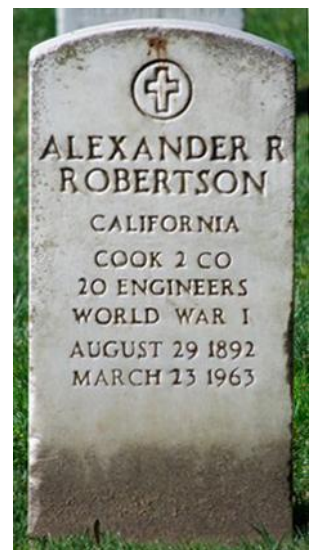
- ii. William⁹ Blount Robertson was born 21 May 1892 in Oakland, California and died 22 May 1978 in Marin, California. He married Violette Rita Gladys Cain on 1 January 1925. She was born 11 March 1898 in England and died 12 February 1989 in Mendocino, California.

William B. Robertson
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- iii. Alexander⁹ Routh Robertson was born 29 August 1893 and died 23 March 1963 in Alameda, California. He was buried at the Golden Gate National Cemetery.

Note that the tombstone has the year of his birth incorrect – it should read August 29 **1893**.

Alexander R. Robertson
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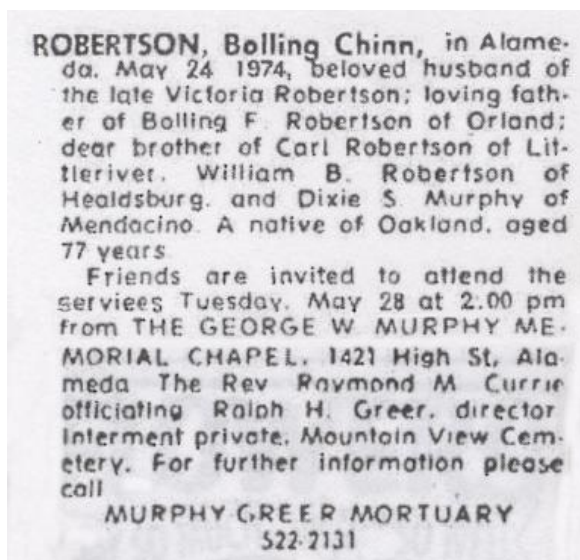


Alexander's death was announced in *The Oakland Tribune*, p.18, col.5 two days later:

ROBERTSON, Alexander R., in Oakland, March 23, 1963, beloved husband of Rose Robertson; loving step-father of Marilyn Torres; grandfather of James Robertson and Peggi Devasher; brother of Carl, William and Bolling Robertson and Dixie Murphy. A native of Oakland. A member of St. James' Episcopal Church and Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees Local Union No. 302. Friends are invited to attend services at the St. James' Episcopal Church, 12th nue at Foothill Boulevard, Wednesday, March 27, at 12 noon. Friends may call at the East 14th Street Chapel of Grant Miller Mortuaries, 2372 East 14th Street until Wednesday at 10 a.m. Interment Golden Gate National Cemetery.

- iv. Bolling⁹ Chinn Robertson Jr. was born 29 October 1896. He first married Annie L. Seavers on 20 May 1917 in Alameda, California. She was born October 1897. Bolling was married 2nd to Victoria Navarro.

Bolling⁹ died 24 May 1974 in Alameda, California. His death was reported in the *Oakland Tribune*, p. 20, col. 1 on 27 May:



Bolling Chinn Robertson

Bolling Chinn Robertson
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- v. Dixie⁹ Robertson was born 2 September 1901. She married Porter Roscoe Williams in 1919. He was born 5 June 1897 in Bremen, Georgia. He was the son of John T. Williams and Darutha Alice Posey. Dixie and Porter divorced sometime after about 1922 as evidenced in this article in the *Oakland Tribune* on 12 October 1922:

Porter R. Williams, a salesman, is charged with desertion and neglect in a suit filed by Mrs. Dixie Williams. She asks custody of Waldo, aged 3, and \$75 a month.

Sometime between 1930 and 1940 Porter remarried to Jane L. (family name unknown). Porter died 1 May 1953 in Riverside, California. His death was announced in the *Riverside Daily Press* the same day:

WILLIAMS—In Riverside, Calif., May 1, 1953, Porter R. Williams, aged 55 years. Husband of Mrs. Jane L. Williams of Cross Roads, Calif. Son of Mrs. D. A. Golden, Bremen, Georgia. Brother of Raymond Williams, Baltimore, Maryland. Funeral announcement later by Acheson & Graham, Inc., directors in charge.

Dixie⁹ Robertson and Porter R. Williams had one son:

- a. Waldo¹⁰ R. Williams was born 16 July 1919 in Alameda County, California and died 14 March 2002. He was buried at Mountain View Cemetery Alameda County, California. Waldo married Hilda Jackson who predeceased him. She was born 15 October 1919 and died 6 May 1998. Waldo's obituary was published in the *Alameda Times-Star* on 17 March:

WILLIAMS

WALDO R. WILLIAMS

Was born July 16, 1919 to his parents Porter Williams and Dixie Murphy Williams. He was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years Hilda Williams. Waldo is survived by his Loving mother Dixie Murphy Williams, His sons Stuart S. Williams and his wife Joann Williams both of Alameda, and his dear grandson Daniel C. Williams of Reno, Nevada. Waldo is also survived by his many Brethren of the firefighting brotherhood.

Waldo R. Williams, retired Assistant Fire Chief from the City of Alameda, answered his last alarm on March 14, 2002. Waldo proudly served his country during World War II in the service of the United States Coast guard and thereafter the war in the service of the Alameda Fire Department.

During Waldo's 27 years with the Alameda Fire Department he rose to the rank of Assistant Fire Chief and he was most proud of the fact that he helped train and prepare many of the past and current fire fighters and paramedics who served and continue to serve the City of Alameda.

Like many firefighters of today who quietly do their job without the benefit of fanfare, Waldo was remembered by other firefighters recently for things he did without much fanfare, like driving his fire car into the burning Christ Church of Alameda to save the churches marble altar in front of which he was married many years before.

Even after his retirement, Waldo continued to answer the alarm when he voluntarily help fight the devastating fire caused when a jet plane crashed into an apartment building on Central Avenue in Alameda.

During Waldo's service in the fire Department he also was a member of the City of Alameda Pension Board, President of the Police and Fire Triangle Club, and Commander of Post Number 9 of the American Legion.

Family and friends are invited to attend a funeral services Tuesday March 19, 2002 at 11:00 AM at Greer Family Mortuary 2694 Blanding Ave., Alameda. Visitation will be held Monday March 18, 2002 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the mortuary. Interment will be at Mountain View Cemetery in Oakland. In Waldo's Memory the family request memorial gifts be made to The Donation Fund c/o Local #689 fire Station #2, 635 Pacific Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501.

For further information please call:
GREER FAMILY MORTUARY
ALAMEDA 510-865-3755
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Dixie⁹ Robertson Williams was later to marry Albert M. ‘Monte’ Murphy. Born 2 July 1898, he was a native of Idaho and at the time of his death on 26 March 1975 he had lived in California for 40 years where he was a Laboratory technician for Contra Costa County.

His obituary was printed in the *Ukiah Daily Journal*, p. 2, col. 5 on 28 March 1975:



Dixie⁹ Robertson Murphy died 4 May 2005 at the advanced age of 103 and was buried at the *Little River Cemetery* next to her brother Carl⁹ Robertson.

No death notice or obituary has been found.

Dixie Murphy
Signature of 1984 letter to John & Maureen Saunders

The following article about an altercation between Roselle Robertson, her son Carl and the wife of a good friend appeared in the *San Francisco Call* on 9 August 1911:

ANGRY WIFE BEATS FRIEND OF HUBBY

Widow's Son Visits Mother's Assailant and Has to Answer Battery Charge

ALAMEDA, Aug. 8.—Discovering her husband in the company of Mrs. Roselle S. Robertson, a comely widow, Mrs. Emsley O. Whistler of this city attacked the widow, snatched her hat from her head and rats from her hair and then landed several blows on Mrs. Robertson's face. Shortly afterward Mrs. Whistler received a call at her home, 1446 Park street, from Carl Robertson, the 21 year old son of the woman she accuses of alienating her husband's affections.

Robertson and Mrs. Whistler became involved in an encounter, which resulted in Mrs. Whistler swearing to a complaint today for the arrest of Robertson on a charge of battery. The fight between Mrs. Whistler and Mrs. Robertson and the encounter between Mrs. Whistler and Carl Robertson took place Sunday night.

COMPLAINS OF NEGLECT

"I attacked Mrs. Robertson because I had good reason," said Mrs. Whistler. "She has stolen my husband's love from me and was with him when I chastised her. My husband has neglected me during the three years that he has been keeping company with Mrs. Robertson. He has told me that he loves her. March 16 I followed them to the Columbia theater in San Francisco. I laid many traps for them and always caught them.

"My husband was with Mrs. Robertson at East Twenty-second street and Twenty-fourth avenue Sunday night when I attacked her. My husband pulled us apart and then her children came to her assistance.

"My husband has squandered a fortune that I had when I married him. I have been compelled to put up with his intemperate habits for many years. Young Robertson came to my home Sunday night, and when I opened the door he struck me over the head with his umbrella. I have the handle of the umbrella as evidence."

MERE FRIENDSHIP, SA'S VICTIM

Mrs. Robertson, who is a sister in law to F. A. Berlin, an attorney living at 1525 Chestnut street, lives with her family of five children at 1189 East Twenty-third street, Oakland. Speaking of her troubles with Mrs. Whistler, Mrs. Robertson said:

"Mrs. Whistler is not responsible for her acts. She attacked me once before Sunday night. She pulled handfuls of my hair out, and it was only because of rats I wore that I did not suffer worse. My son went to her home Sunday night to avenge the insult and beating she had given me. I was walking with my daughter, Dixie, and Mr. Whistler when Mrs. Whistler sprang from behind a tree and took hold of me like a tiger.

"Mr. Whistler and I have never been anything more to each other than good friends. We met first accidentally while we were traveling on a train from Santa Rosa."

Whistler is 52 years old and has been married 39 years. Mrs. Robertson is on the sunny side of 40. Whistler has been employed by a real estate firm in San Francisco. Young Robertson is a grocery clerk.

Continuing with the children of David⁸ Smoot and Laura Richards:

- G. **David⁹ Smoot** was born 1871 and died 18 April 1873 aged 18 months. The *Alexandria Gazette*, p. 2, carried a death and funeral notice the next day:

DIED.

April 18th, 1873, DAVID, infant son of David L. and Laura W. Smoot. ~~Funeral~~ Funeral from residence, No. 42 south Water street, on Sunday, April 20th, at 4 p. m. Friends and relatives of the family are invited to attend.

- H. **Charles⁹ Calvert Smoot** was born 28 February 1874 in Alexandria, Virginia. He married Edna Evangeline Tully on 17 July 1895. She was born 6 May 1875.

Their marriage was announced in the *San Francisco Morning Call*, p. 11, col. 8, on 22 July 1896:

**SMOOT—TULLY—In East Oakland, July 17, 1895,
by the Rev. S. B. Morse. Charles Calvert Smoot
and Edna Evangeline Tully.**

1913 Publication *Who's Who on the Pacific Coast*:

SMOOT, C(harles) Calvert, Broker (Stocks and Bonds); *born*, Alexandria, Va., Feb. 28, 1874; *son*, David Lowe and Laura Wingfield (Richards) S. B. S., Cal. College, Oakland, 1896; Rochester Theological Seminary, 1899. Married Edna Evangeline Tully, July 17, 1895, at Oakland, Cal. *Clubs*: Southern, Union League. *Res.*: 365 Warwick ave., Oakland, Cal.; *Office*: 915 First Natl. Bank bldg., San Francisco, Cal.

Charles⁹ Calvert Smoot died 28 May 1929. His death was reported in *The Oakland Tribune* the following day:

SMOOT—In Berkeley, May 28. Charles C., beloved husband of Edna T. Smoot, loving father of Charles C. Jr., Mrs. Harland W. Holmwood and Mrs. Roselle S. Stringer; a native of Virginia. Funeral services Friday, May 31, at 11 a. m. at the Oakland crematory, corner Howe and Mather streets. Remains at the Fruitvale chapel of Clarence N. Cooper, Fruitvale avenue at East Sixteenth street, until 10 a. m. Friday.



Charles Calvert Smoot
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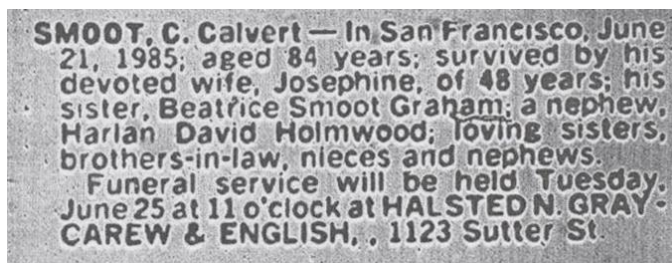
Edna Evangeline Smoot died 21 May 1966. Her death was reported in the *San Francisco Chronicle*, p. 16, col. 7 the next day:

SMOOT, Edna T.—May 21, 1966. Edna T. Smoot, loving mother of Mrs. T. H. Graham of Topanga, and C. Calvert Smoot; loving grandmother of Harlan David Holmwood of Pacific Palisades. Private services will be held at HALSTED & CO., 1123 Sutter St. Interment, Mountain View Cemetery.

Charles⁹ Calvert and Edna Smoot had three children:

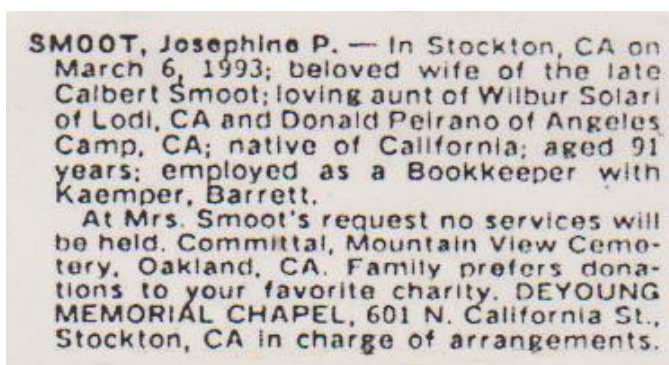
- i. Charles¹⁰ Calvert Smoot Jr. was born 4 April 1901 in Eugene, Oregon. He married Josephine P. Peirano. She was born 24 December 1901 and died 6 March 1993. It was Josephine who advised that Lillie Belle Smoot had been adopted by David and Laura Smoot.

Charles Calvert Smoot Jr died 21 June 1985. His death was reported in the *San Francisco Chronicle*, p. B7, col. 6, two days later on 23 June:



Charles Calvert Smoot Jr
WWII Draft Registration Card

Josephine P. Smoot died 6 March 1993. Her death was reported in *The San Francisco Chronicle* on 9 March:



- ii. Beatrice¹⁰ Smoot was born 13 November 1903 and died 15 December 2000. She married first Harlan W. Holmwood on 29 August 1924. She married second to Thomas H. Graham in 14 May 1960. He was born 21 July 1906 in Pennsylvania and died 20 June 1996 in Los Angeles.
- iii. Roselle¹⁰ Smoot was born 1902 and died 14 December 1932. She married Kenneth E. Stringer on 11 August 1923. He was born in Nebraska on 10 June 1902 and died 28 April 1959. They were divorced before 1930. Kenneth then married Beatrice Evelyn Quimby on 6 March 1930. She was born 2 November 1905 in Fresno, California and died 6 October 1963.

Signatures on Marriage Licence
Application dated 11 August 1923

- I. **Laura⁹ S. Smoot** was born 4 February 1878 in San Francisco. On 11 May 1894 aged 16 she married Louis Benjamin Harvey. He was born 27 November 1864 in Bates, Missouri. 1910 census records give his occupation as manager, automobile company.

Louis Benjamin Harvey died 16 July 1939 in Walnut Grove, Sacramento. His death was reported in the *Sacramento Bee*, p.4, col.8 on the 17th of July

HARVEY — In Walnut Grove, July 16, 1939. Louis Benjamin Harvey, husband of Harriett Harvey, father of Mrs. Elsworth Duden, Mrs. John Robert Oates, and Louis B. Harvey, Jr., of Sacramento, Joan and Florence Ann Harvey of Walnut Grove, brother of J. A. Harvey, Sr., of Oakdale, George E. Harvey of Arbuckle, Mrs. William Eagleton of San Francisco, Mrs. F. J. Lucid of North Hollywood, Grover, Ivan, and Ray Harvey of San Francisco, Woodrow and Nellie Harvey of Biggs; a native of Missouri, aged 75 years. Friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the East Lawn Chapel, Tuesday at 10:30 A. M. Miller & Skelton service.

Laura Smoot Harvey married for a second time to John Grant. Laura Smoot Grant, formerly Harvey, died 1 April 1960 in Sacramento, California. Her death was reported in *The Sacramento Bee*, p.C2, col.2 the same day:

GRANT — In this city, April 1, 1960, Laura Smoot Grant, beloved mother of Mrs. Priscilla R. Oates, Louis B. Harvey and the late Mrs. Laura Lois Duden, loving grandmother of Mrs. Priscilla Nitzke, Mrs. Marilyn Ramsey, Louis L. and David N. Harvey, also survived by nine great grandchildren; a native of California aged 82 years. Friends may call at W. F. Gormley and Sons Chapel, 2015 Capitol Avenue, and are invited to attend funeral services Monday at 11:00 AM. Cremation East Lawn.

Laura and Louis Harvey had three children:

- i. Laura¹⁰ Lois Harvey was born 21 June 1895 and died 28 November 1950 in San Francisco. She married Ellsworth Fred Duden about 1916. He was born 5 March 1894 and died 19 March 1965 in San Francisco.
- ii. Priscilla¹⁰ Richards Harvey was born 17 July 1902 in Stockton, San Joaquin, California. She died 16 November 1966 in Sacramento. Priscilla married John Robert Oates in 1923. He was born 21 December 1900 in Sacramento and died 3 June 1948 in Salinas, Monterey, California. His father was born in England and his mother in Missouri.



Priscilla Richards Harvey
1902–1966



John Robert Oates
1900–1948

- iii. Louis¹⁰ B. Harvey Jr. was born 2 November 1904 in California. He married Dorothy E. Geeslin in 1927. She was born 1 July 1902 and died 1 November 1975. She was the daughter of John W. and Mabel E. Geeslin.

Louis B. Harvey Jr. and his wife Dorothy had two children:

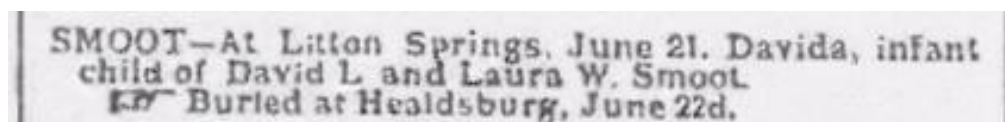
- a. Louis¹¹ Livingstone Harvey, born 8 June 1929 and died 15 November 2007. He married Marilyn M. Toepfer on 22 June 1957 in Sacramento. They were divorced in April 1973.
- b. David¹¹ Noel Harvey was born 15 November 1940 and died 7 October 1998.

Louis¹⁰ B. Harvey Jr. died 3 March 1965 in Sacramento. His death was reported in the *Sacramento Bee*, the following day:

Louis, his wife Dorothy and his children are buried in the Masonic Lawn Cemetery in Sacramento.



- J. **David**⁹ **Smoot** was born in March 1880 in San Francisco. This last born child of David and Laura Smoot did not survive infancy, dying 23 June 1880. Her death was reported the next day in the *San Francisco Morning Call*, p. 4 col. 5:

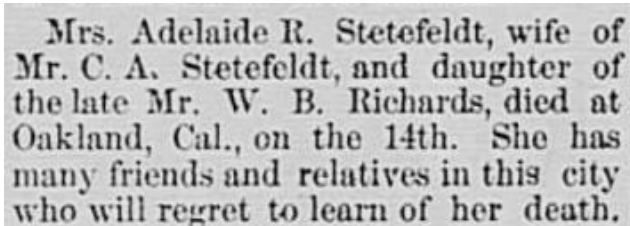


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David Smoot's wife Laura Richards came from a large family. She had twelve brothers and sisters, one being Adelaide A. Richards who was four years younger than Laura, being born in 1842 in Alexandria, Virginia.

In the late 1870s Adelaide married Carl August Stetefeldt in San Francisco. He was born 28 September 1838 in Holzhausen, near Gotha, Germany. Carl was a mining engineer who had migrated to America in 1863. Adelaide and Carl had no children. It is not known whether Adelaide came across to San Francisco with her sister and brother-in law, Laura and David Smoot, in 1876 or travelled there independently at an earlier date.

Adelaide Richards Stetefeldt died 14 June 1892 in Oakland, California. She was only about 50 years old. Her death was reported on the *Alexandria Gazette* on 21 June:



Professor Carl A. Stetefeldt, as he had become known, was a well-respected mining academic and amongst his many achievements he was the patentee of a gold-extracting machine which bears his name. He died 17 March 1896 in Oakland, California, just four years after his wife passed away. His death was noted in the *San Francisco Call* on 19 March:

STETEFELDT—In Oakland, March 17, 1896, Carl A. Stetefeldt, a native of Germany, aged 57 years and 5 months.

The following article appeared in the *San Francisco Call* on 25 March 1896. The article mentions legacies to many of the married children of David Smoot as well as David's wife Laura, whom the article describes as a 'sister of the deceased'. This is a mistake and should read 'sister-in-law'. Laura's maiden name was Richards and Carl Stetefeldt married Laura's sister Adelaide Richards in the late 1870s, probably in San Francisco.

LOTS OF LEGACIES.

**A Man With Few Relatives Leaves
His Fortune to His Numer-
ous Friends.**

OAKLAND OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO CALL, }
908 Broadway, March 24. }

The will of C. A. Stetefeldt, the mining expert, who died last week, has been presented for probate by Albert Ahrens. The estate is estimated to be worth about \$80,000 and consists of \$35,500 cash; ten West Shore bonds, \$10,000; ten Northern Pacific bonds, \$10,000; five Omnibus Cable bonds, \$5000; 1000 shares in Ontario Mining Company, \$10,000; and other stocks and personal property valued at \$2850.

The will, written by deceased, is dated March 13, 1896, and gives a cousin, Paulina Anacker of Gota, Germany, \$15,000; Mrs. Hattie Price of 1513 Twenty-fourth avenue, \$7500; Mrs. Rosellé Robertson of Orange avenue, near East Twenty-fourth street, \$7500; Mrs. Laura Smoot of Haywards, a sister of deceased, \$5000; Mrs. Laura Harvey, \$5000; Mrs. Virginia Bleuel of 20 Watson avenue, East Oakland, \$5000; to Albert Ahrens, for the benefit of the family, \$15,000; and to Albert Ahrens personally, stock in the Russell Process Company and books and scientific papers; the residue of the estate to go to Mrs. Lillie Belle Chinn of 714 Bush street, San Francisco, wife of Thomas W. Chinn.

The last legatee mentioned is Lillie Belle Chinn, the mother of Lillian⁹ Frances Chinn, who first married John⁸ Henry Saunders and then married second to Harry⁸ Innes Borden.

The day after his Carl Stetefeldt's death the following article and illustration appeared in the *San Francisco Chronicle*:

Professor Stetefeldt Passes Away.

DOG COMPANION SURVIVES.

MASTER A WELL-KNOWN MINING
ENGINEER.

Tulu, the Skye Terrier, Distinguished by Having Been Born
in the White House.

Oakland Branch Office of the "Chronicle,"
200 Broadway, corner Ninth street.

OAKLAND, March 17.—In the death at 4:30 o'clock this morning of Professor C. A. Stetefeldt in this city, a unique partnership is brought to an end; a partnership between man and dog that has been the talk of Oakland for many years.

Professor Stetefeldt had resided for the past five years in a boarding-house at Tenth and Alice streets, and on any fine day could be seen out walking with the little three-legged skye terrier, his sole companion in all these years, and which bore the name of Tulu.

More was known of the dog's history than the master's, for Stetefeldt would talk of his little pet when he would not talk of himself.

Stetefeldt was a mining engineer, a native of Germany and 57 years of age. He had a fine library and was a great student and left some money, which he made in the mines. He had written some on the subject of mining for scientific periodicals. He was also the patentee of a gold-extracting machine which bears his name. He had been married, but left no children. He was always spoken of as kindly disposed to those who needed help, and on more than one occasion had aided struggling young people.

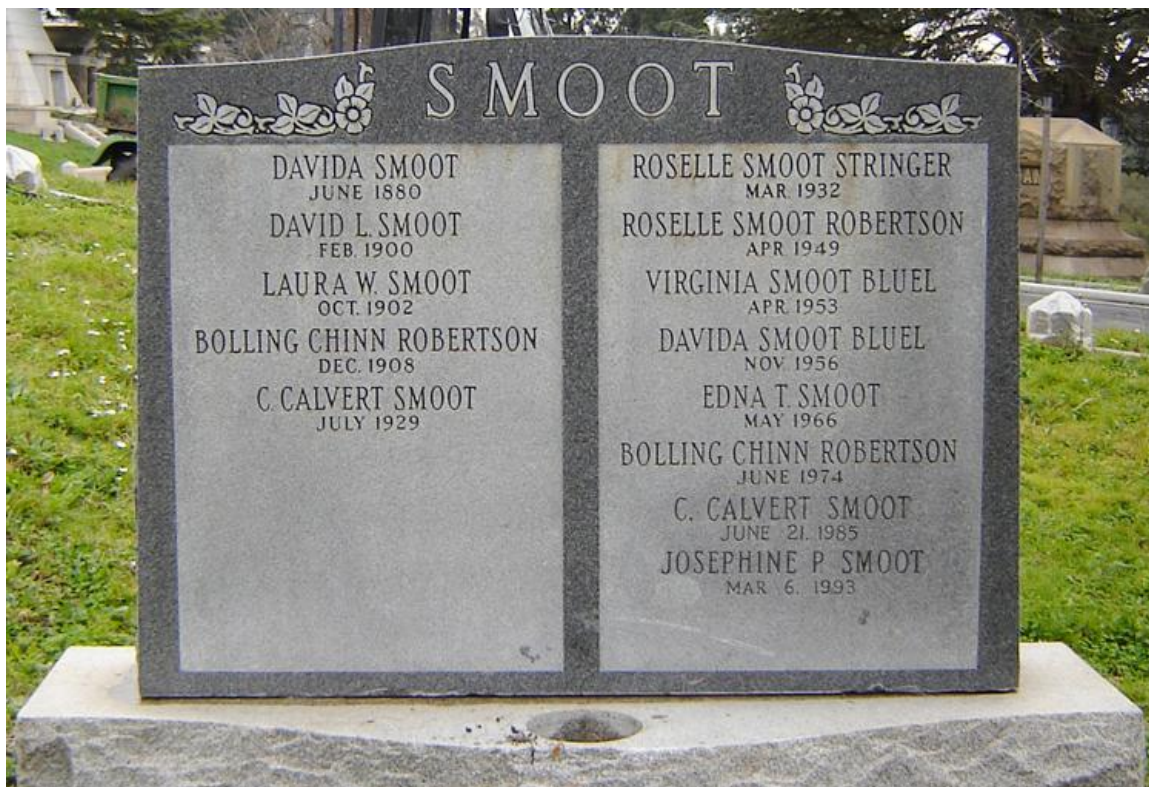


PROFESSOR C.A. STETEFELDT AND HIS COMPANION
(Drawn from a photograph)

But the man's life was wrapped up in the little dog, Tulu, which received all his attention. Tulu's life history is interesting, too, for he was distinguished as having been born in the White House at Washington eleven years ago. In his younger days he had the misfortune to lose one of his hind legs by an accident, and since his residence in Oakland in a battle with a cat as big as himself he lost an eye. He was taken to a first-class oculist, but his hurt was such that the eye could not be saved, and of late the dog has worn a bandage over that eyeless socket, and this fact, together with his hobbling about on three legs, increased the oddity of the little dog as he went about with his master.

Tulu had the best of everything. His sleeping quarters were near his master, and Stetefeldt was as particular what the dog ate as with his own food. This is probably one reason why Tulu has not been the same since Stetefeldt died. He will not touch the dainties brought him and it is thought he cannot long survive his master. The little terrier, according to the old man's wish, will be turned over to a favorite niece.

Stetefeldt's funeral will take place on Thursday at 3 P. M.



*The Smoot Family Tombstone
Plot 37, Mountain View Cemetery
Oakland, Alameda County, California*

End of Smoot Family

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Continuing with the life of Lillian⁹ Frances Chinn ...

As detailed in Chapter 10, Lillian⁹ Frances Chinn (Fran) married John⁸ Henry Saunders ‘Jack’ on 18 January 1905 in New York soon after her 19th birthday. Her new husband, who had turned 24 the previous August, had no immediate family still living in San Francisco, though there were some Douglass cousins on his mother's side as well as Borden and Burnett relatives who will be discussed shortly. However, in New York there were a number of close relations on her husband's mother's side, including his grandmother, Jane Emily Brannan, who attended the wedding. Also in attendance were Fran's mother and stepfather. Notably absent is her father Thomas Withers Chinn.

→ See Chapter 10 for Fran's life with Jack during their 20 years of marriage and their divorce in 1925.

Fran and Jack Saunders appeared to live in the ‘fast lane’ with Jack moving from one career to another, spending a few years in Los Angeles, travelling about the country, living for a while in British Columbia and culminating in their three years in Christchurch, New Zealand from 1915. Then between 1918 and 1920 their marriage appeared to head downhill.

Jack Saunders had numerous cousins from his father's side—the Douglasses, the Bordens and the Burnetts who all lived in either San Francisco or Los Angeles. Fran formed a close friendship with Sheldon⁷ Borden and his family, particularly with their son, Harry⁸ who was four years younger than Fran. The Borden and Burnett families were very prominent in the Los Angeles social scene and these were the days when young ladies of 17 or 18 were formally introduced to society at lavish parties.

Fran and Jack had two children:

1. Baby⁹ daughter, stillborn on 18 November 1905. Cremated 21 November.
2. Son born 29 August 1907 and died 6 December 1993.

The marriage lasted until 1925 when Fran divorced Jack following his decision to live in Australia where he had formed a liaison with May Snowdon, who became his second wife.

31 October 1926

Harry Houdini, died aged 52. He was born Erik Weisz (later spelled Ehrich Weiss) in 1874 in Hungary. Raised in America, he became a world-famous magician, escapologist and stunt performer. He was also a famous skeptic who set out to expose spiritualist frauds.



Harry Houdini
1874–1926

On 22 January 1927 Lillian⁹ Frances Saunders, née Chinn, married Harry⁸ Innes Borden in Washington DC. John T. Axton, Chaplain, U.S. Army, whose residence was Fort Myer, Virginia, united them in marriage.

The Borden Family

The name Borden was originally 'Bourdon' in Normandy, which is where the family came from. It is said that Simon Bourdon went to England with William the Conqueror in 1066 and obtained lands in Kent. The family remained in England until the civil wars of the Stuarts.

Richard¹ Borden from County Kent, England, was the first immigrant to America. He was the son of Matthew Borden (1563–1620) and Joanna Reeder (1572–1620). Richard was born 22 February 1595/6 and died 23 May 1671. He married Joan Fowle on 28 September 1625. She was born 15 February 1604 and died 15 July 1688. In 1635 they came to America with the first five of their children and settled in Boston Neck, Massachusetts. Then in 1638 they relocated to Aquidneck, later named Rhode Island.



Richard Borden
1595–1671

Richard became a Quaker and when he died he was interred at the burial ground of the Society of Friends in Portsmouth along with his wife and many other members of his family. His son Matthew², born 1638, was 'the first English child to be born on Rhode Island', according to Quaker records. The next four generations of the Borden family were also Quakers.

Richard¹ Borden and Joan Fowle had twelve children, one being John² Borden (1640–1716) who married Mary Walker Earle (1654–1734) in 1670.

Of John² and Mary Borden's nine children, two are of relevance here. Their first child, Richard³ Borden, born 1671, was the direct ancestor of Lizzie⁹ Borden (1860–1927).

*John Borden
1640–1716*



Lizzie⁹ Borden 1860–1927



*Lizzie Borden
1860–1927*

Lizbeth⁹ 'Lizzie' Andrew Borden was born 19 July 1860 in Fall River, Massachusetts and was the daughter of Andrew⁸ Jackson Borden (1822–1892), an affluent businessman, and his first wife Sarah Anthony Morse. Lizzie had a sister, Emma⁹ Lenora, who was nine years older. The girls' mother, Sarah, died in 1863 when Lizzie was just three years old. Two years later Andrew Borden married Abby Durfee Gray.



*Andrew Borden
1822–1892*

Life on Second Street for the Borden sisters, Lizzie Andrew, aged 32 and Emma, 41, was lonely and contentious. Their real mother had died many years before and neither daughter cared for their father's second wife, whom Lizzie often contemptuously referred to as Mrs. Borden. This was especially true after Andrew Borden gave Abby some stock in 1887.

Lizzie and Emma felt that they should have gotten something too. In an effort to assuage their ill feelings, Andrew finally relented, deeding his daughters some property and comparable stock.

*Abby Borden
1828–1892*



Both Lizzie and Emma were spinsters. Neither woman had any profession or love outlet for any man except their stern, distant and very aberrant father. Many years later, long after Lizzie and Emma had moved to the fashionable 'Hill' section of town, Lizzie had a scandalous lesbian affair with an actress whom she had befriended. Although the strong bond between the sisters was possibly forged by a joint conspiracy to kill their parents, this liaison was intolerable to Emma. She moved away from the elegant estate known as *Maplecroft* and the two sisters never spoke again. They died with their own secrets within nine days of each other in 1927.



*Emma Borden
1851–1927*

Lizzie maintained all of the trappings of Victorian respectability as both a Sunday school teacher and active member of various church organizations. But she was a sad captive of the strict, unyielding New England mentality into which she was born and raised. Her unnatural closeness to her father and sexual estrangement from all other men suggest the possibility of sexual abuse. Although it will never be known for sure, whispers of incest still linger behind the locked door of Andrew Borden's bedroom which is today part of the Lizzie Borden Bed and Breakfast Museum.

*Lizzie Borden
1890 Passport Application*

Lizzie A. Borden

Fall River at the end of the nineteenth century had become the cotton manufacturing capital of the United States. The flourishing mills offered endless opportunity to the thousands of immigrants who came from all around the world for their chance at the American dream. Although Andrew Borden was the richest man within the city's borders, he and his family lived as paupers in a modest, two and one half story frame house in one of the poorest sections of town. Having made a fortune in real-estate and banking, his estate was valued at more than five million dollars at the time of his death.



*The Borden's house where the murders took place.
230 2nd St., Fall River Massachusetts*



*The Borden's house is now the
Lizzie Borden Bed and Breakfast Museum*

On the morning of the 4th August 1892 the bodies of Andrew and Abby Borden were found hacked to death in their home at 92 Second Street, Fall River. Lizzie was charged with murdering her stepmother and father. Her trial became a national sensation in the United States and a cause célèbre in the media.

Although Lizzie was acquitted, no one else was ever arrested or tried, and she remains a notorious figure in American folklore. Her trial received a tremendous amount of national publicity and the case was memorialized by a popular ditty:

*Lizzie Borden took an ax
And gave her mother 40 whacks.
And when she saw what she had done
She gave her father 41.**

* Actually, the Bordens received only 29 whacks, not the 81 suggested in the famous rhyme.

Lizzie inherited half of her father's estate and bought a mansion for herself and Emma in Fall River's best neighborhood. She was no longer welcome at Central Congregational Church. The citizens of Fall River no longer accepted her.

In 1904, Lizzie met a young actress, Nance O'Neil, and for the next two years, Lizzie and Nance were inseparable. About this time, Emma separated from her sister and moved to Fairhaven. She and Lizzie stopped speaking to one another. Rumours said that sensational revelations about the murders would follow the split, but the revelations never came. Emma stayed with the family of Reverend Buck, and, sometime around 1915, she moved to Newmarket, New Hampshire and never spoke to Lizzie again.

Remaining single, Lizzie lived alone in her mansion, until she died of pneumonia in 1927. In New Hampshire, Emma read of her death in the news but did not respond. Ten days later, Emma died from a fall. Both left their assets to the Animal Rescue League.

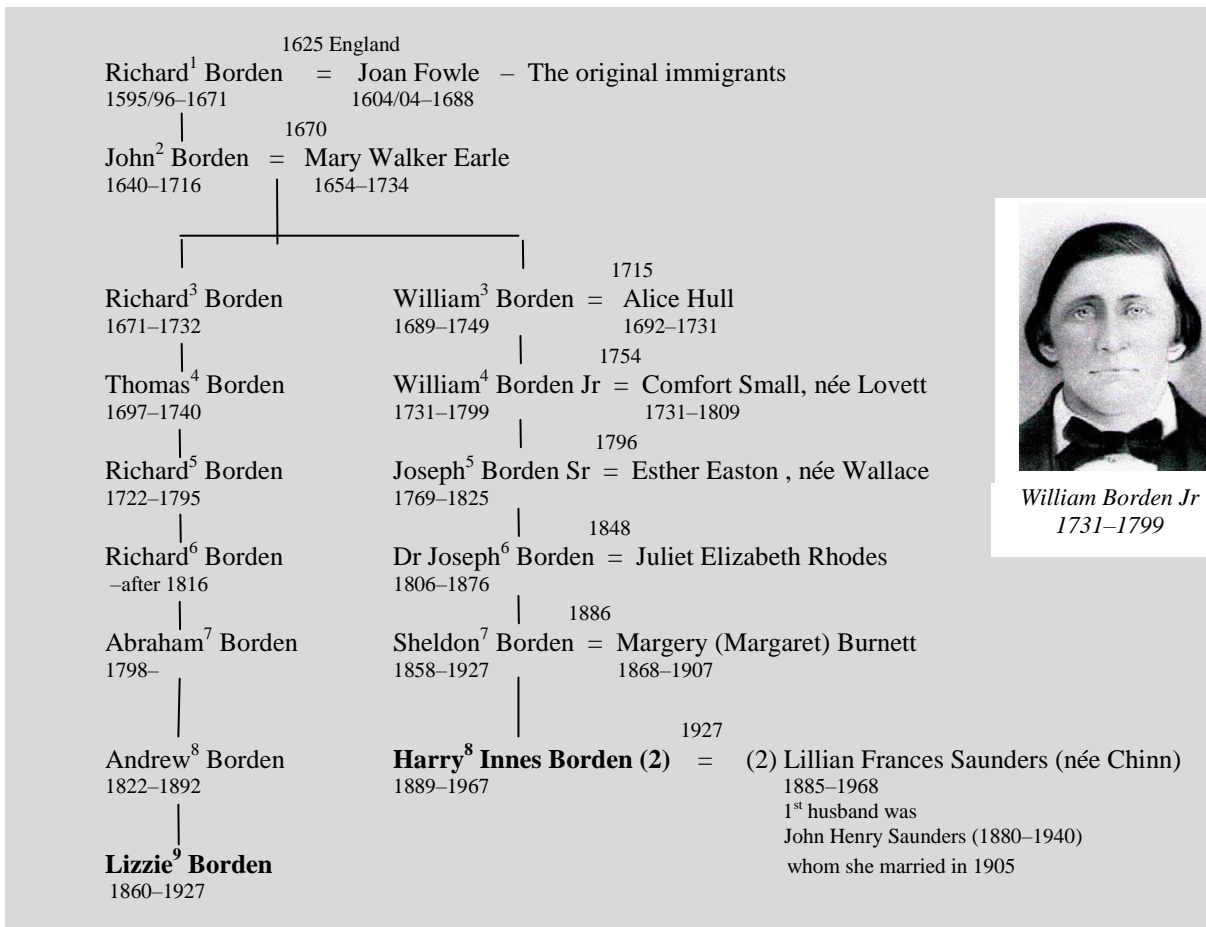


*Nance O'Neil
1874–1965*

The foregoing story of Lizzie Borden is but a very brief description of her life and murder trial. There are a great many websites and books devoted to the violent and macabre murder of Andrew and Abby Borden. In 1975 a TV movie dramatizing the events surrounding the trial was aired starring Elizabeth Montgomery as Lizzie Borden.

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John² and Mary Walker Earle Borden's eighth child, William³ Borden, was born 16 August 1689 and died in 1748. He married Alice Hull, (1692–1730) on 7 July 1716 in New Port, Rhode Island. William was the direct ancestor of Harry Innes Borden who married Lillian Frances Saunders, née Chinn. Harry Borden and Lizzie Borden are 5th cousins, once removed.



Harry⁸ Innes Borden was a distant cousin of Fran's first husband Jack Saunders. Harry's mother, Margery⁵ Frances Burnett, and Jack both had forebears who married into the Douglass family. When Fran and Jack moved down to Los Angeles after the 1906 Earthquake Fran met Harry Borden. It seems that she and Harry became more than just close friends.

The Burnett family and its connection to the Douglass family is outlined in more detail further on in this chapter.

Harry Borden & Fran Saunders
c.1918

The Borden family was based in Los Angeles. After the San Francisco earthquake and fire of 1906, Fran and her then husband, John H. ‘Jack’ Saunders, moved to Los Angeles for a few years where Fran met Jack’s relations, the Borden and Burnett families who were prominent amongst the Los Angeles social set. It would have been about this time that Fran became acquainted with her future husband Harry⁸ Borden.

Harry⁸ Borden, Fran's second husband, was the second son of Sheldon⁷ Borden, a prominent attorney in Los Angeles. Much could be written on the genealogy of the Borden family. We will mainly concentrate here on those members who lived in California.

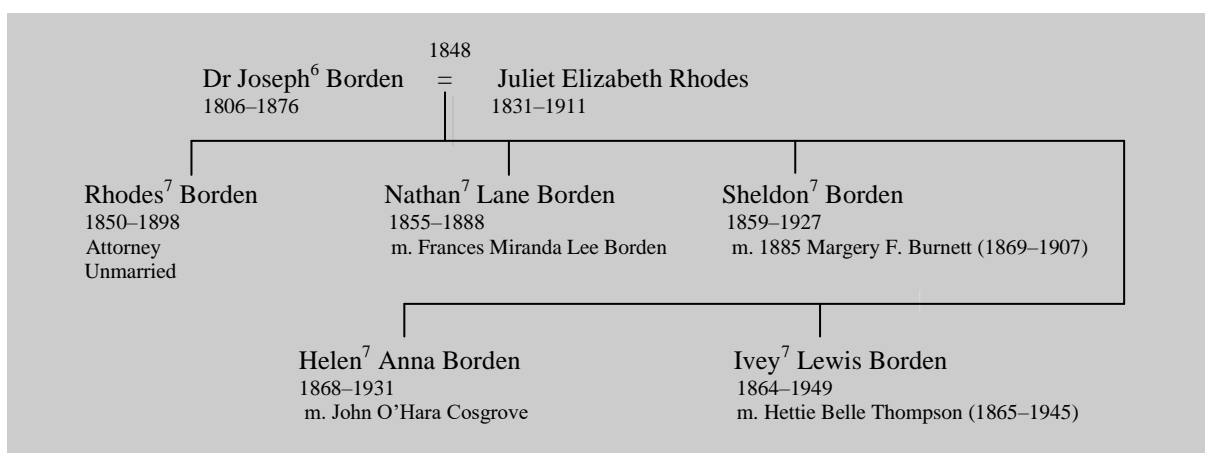
Dr Joseph⁶ Borden, Harry’s grandfather, came to California from Alabama with their five children in 1869 and settled in Fresno. Dr Joseph Borden was born in Carteret County, North Carolina 8 June 1806 and moved to Alabama in 1832. On 17 April 1835 he married Sarah Margaret Bryan. She was born 12 March 1819 and died 26 February 1842 in Alabama. Joseph’s second marriage was on 14 June 1848 to Juliet Elizabeth Rhodes in Sumter County, Alabama. She was born 4 April 1831 in Alabama. Dr Borden died 10 April 1875 in Fresno County, California. His death was announced the *Daily Alta California* on 15 April:

Dr. Joseph Borden died at his residence at Borden station, Fresno county, on Friday last, aged about 70 years. He came to this State from Alabama about seven years ago, and was one of the pioneers of the “Alabama Settlement” in Fresno.

Juliet Rhodes Borden died 12 January 1911 of *pulmonary tuberculosis* and was buried at Mount View Cemetery, Claremont, California. Her death was reported in the *San Francisco Chronicle* of 13 January:

BORDEN—In Los Gatos, Cal., January 12, Juliet Elizabeth Borden, beloved mother of N. L. Borden, Sheldon Borden, I. L. Borden, Mrs. Helen Cosgrave and the late Judge Rhodes Borden, aged 79 years, 8 months and 13 days. Funeral and interment private.

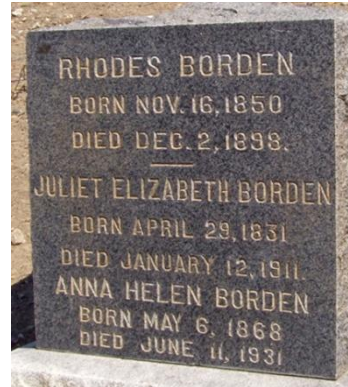
Dr Joseph⁶ Borden and Juliet Elizabeth Rhodes had five children:



1. Rhodes⁷ Borden was born 16 November 1850 in Alabama and arrived in Fresno, California with his parents at the age of 19. He went to San Francisco and studied law, graduating in 1884. He later became a superior court judge of California and never married. His date of death in the article below has his year of birth incorrect. He was therefore 48 years old when he received his appointment as a judge.



*Judge Rhodes Borden
1850–1898*



*Mountain View Cemetery
Oakland, California*

JUDGE RHODES BORDEN

Appointed by Governor Budd to Succeed Judge Charles W. Slack.

Rhodes Borden, who was yesterday appointed to the superior bench by Governor Budd to fill the place made vacant by the resignation of Judge Charles W. Slack, is at present chief deputy in the office of City and County Attorney Harry T. Creswell, which position he has held since 1892.

In 1896, at the earnest solicitations of the members of the local bar, he accepted the nomination of Superior Judge, running on both the regular Democratic and non-partisan tickets, but failed of election.


Judge Borden is comparatively a young man. He was born in Alabama in 1858, and is therefore but 40 years old. He received his rudimentary education at the University of Kentucky, coming to California with his parents, before graduating, in 1869, and located in Fresno County. He removed to this city in 1881. Immediately after arriving here he took up the study of law in the office of Judge John Garber, and graduated from the Hastings Law College in 1883. For a number of years he was engaged by Garber, Boalt & Bishop, attending to much of their outside business.

The Borden family is one of the oldest in the United States. Leaving England they arrived in Rhode Island in 1635. The branch to which the new appointee belongs settled in Virginia in 1711, removing to Alabama in 1836, and can therefore be numbered among the oldest families of the South.

The appointment is indeed a great compliment to the successful aspirant, as Frank Murasky, his chief opponent, is a very popular and equally as well qualified man. Either of them is eminently fitted for the place. Powerful influence must have been brought to bear to overcome the influence of the friends of Murasky.

It is rumored among attorneys that upon Judge Borden taking his seat the criminal cases heretofore assigned to Judge Dunne's department will be assigned to Judge Borden's court.

Rhodes⁷ Borden died on 2 December 1898 from the rupture of a blood vessel in the brain. A lengthy obituary and illustration of him was published in the *San Francisco Call* the next day:



RHODES BORDEN IS FOUND DEAD

Superior Court Judge Expires in the Bath
Room at His Residence of Rush of
Blood to the Head.

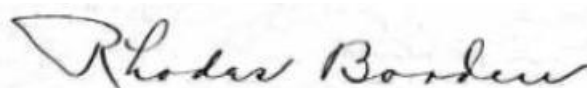
JUDGE RHODES BORDEN of the Superior Court was found dead in the bathroom at his residence, 421 Scott street, at 8:15 o'clock last evening. The immediate cause of death was a rush of blood to the head.

Judge Borden had been in poor health for some time, and for the last week had frequently complained of not feeling well. He refused to take a rest, however, and yesterday held court as usual, remaining on the bench until the regular hour of adjournment, hearing the evidence in the case of Lee Poy, charged with assault to murder. He appeared to be in good spirits and even cheerful in court, but when he reached home he again complained of feeling badly.

About 5 o'clock he stepped into the bathroom and locked the door. A moment later the servant girl was startled by the crash of a falling body. She was unable to open the door to the bathroom and called a neighbor, who forced an entrance and found Judge Borden lying lifeless on the floor, with blood flowing from his mouth and nostrils. Dr. Charles W. Card, 362 Devisadero street, was hastily summoned and a message was dispatched to Dr. J. Stow Ballard, Judge Borden's family physician, at 610 Hyde street. Dr. Card arrived in a few minutes and was soon followed by Dr. Ballard, who was accompanied by I. L. Borden, but death had been instantaneous, and the efforts of the physicians were directed to relieving the aged mother of the deceased, who was prostrated by the shock and is now in a critical condition.

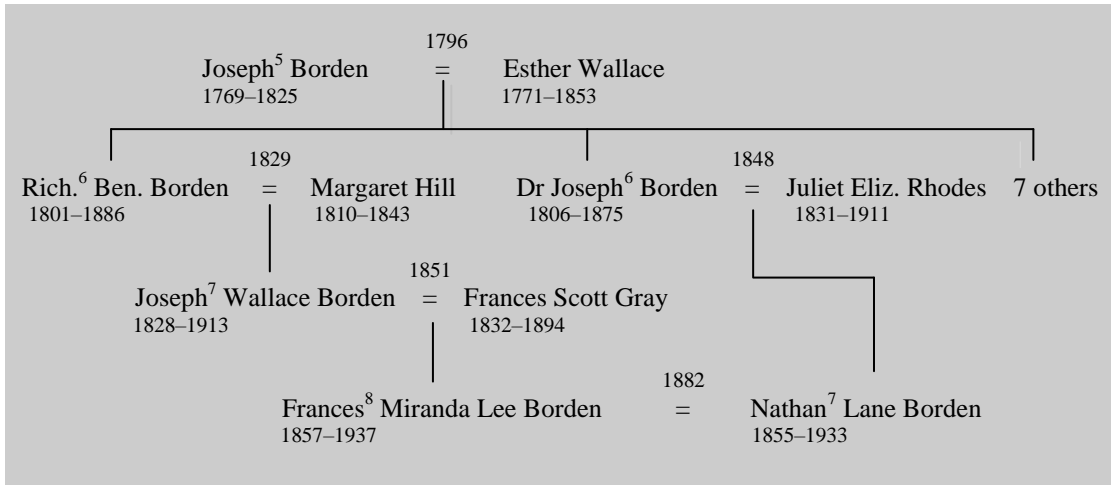
Judge Borden was born in Alabama. He came to California with his parents in 1833, locating in Fresno County. In 1881 he came to San Francisco and entered Hastings Law College, being at the same time employed in the office of Garber, Thornton & Bishop. He was graduated from the law department of the University of California in 1884 and immediately began the practice of law in this city. Judge Borden was a Democrat and always took a deep interest in politics. Two years ago he was a Democratic candidate for Superior Judge and was defeated, but upon the resignation of Judge Slack, about a year ago, he was appointed to the vacancy on the bench by Governor Budd. At the recent election he was a candidate for Judge on the ticket nominated by the Democratic Committee of One Hundred. He was elected after a hard fight.

Judge Borden lived with his mother, widow of the late Dr. Joseph Borden. Three brothers and a sister also survive him. They are I. L. Borden, superintendent of the artesian water works of Alameda; Sheldon Borden, a lawyer in Los Angeles; Joseph Borden, a farmer in Fresno County, and Mrs. J. O'Hara Cosgrave of this city. The latter was married only ten days ago, and spent her wedding night in the Baldwin Hotel, narrowly escaping death when that hostelry was burned.



Rhodes Borden
Signature on Sons of American Revolution
Application for membership 1897

2. Nathan⁷ Lane Borden was born 21 March 1855 and died 6 July 1933 in Santa Clara, California. He was a farmer and married his cousin Frances⁸ Miranda Lee Borden in 1882 in San Francisco.



Frances⁸ Miranda Lee Borden was the daughter of Joseph⁷ Wallace Borden (1828–1913) and Frances Scott Gray (1832–1894). Dr Joseph⁷ Wallace Borden was the son of Richard⁶ Benjamin Borden (1801–1886) and his first wife Margaret Hill (1810–1843) whom he married in 1829. Richard was the older brother of Dr Joseph⁶ Borden, the father of Nathan⁷ Lane Borden. Nathan’s wife, Frances Miranda, was his first cousin, once removed.



Joseph Wallace Borden
1830–1913



Richard Benjamin Borden
1801–1886

Frances was born 21 March 1855 in Marengo, Alabama and died 3 Nov. 1937 in Santa Cruz, California. Her death was reported in the *Santa Cruz Evening News* the next day:

Nathan⁷ and Miranda had a son:

- A. Rhodes⁸ Borden was born 22 September 1884 and died 20 May 1969. He married Rita P. Woods in 1916.

Rhodes Borden
WWI Draft Registration Card

Mrs. N. L. Borden Dies In Seabright

Mrs. Frances M. Borden, widow of the late N. L. Borden and a resident of Seabright for the last three years, succumbed at her home last night.

A native of Alabama, Mrs. Borden is survived by a son, Rhoades Borden, four sisters and three brothers.

The Wessendorf mortuary will hold private funeral services tomorrow. Friends have been requested to omit flowers.

Rita Woods Borden was born 28 June 1886 and died 11 September 1979 in Santa Cruz, California aged 93.

3. Sheldon⁷ Borden was born in 10 November 1858 in Citronella, Alabama and came with his parents to California in 1869 where they settled in Fresno. He graduated from the University of California Law School in 1884 which was then called Hastings Law School.

Sheldon married Margery⁵ Frances Burnett on 2 February 1886 in San Francisco. She was born 5 November 1868 in Indiana and was the daughter of Alexander⁴ Sullivan Burnett Jr and his wife Margery, née Honey.

Their marriage was announced in the *San Francisco Morning Call*, p. 4, col. 5, on 5 February 1886. Note that Sheldon's name has been miss-spelt.

→ See the Burnett Family further on.



Sheldon Borden 1916
Photo courtesy of
Los Angeles Bar Association

BORDEN—BURNETT—In Los Angeles, February 2,
Theidon Borden to Margery F. E. Burnett, both of
San Francisco.

Margery⁵ (or Margaret) Frances Borden, née Burnett, died on the 25th August 1907 in Chicago following an emergency operation. She had been traveling on a pleasure trip with her daughter Juliet, then aged 15. The trip was announced in the society columns of the *Los Angeles Herald* on 4 July 1907:

Mrs. Sheldon Borden and daughter,
Miss Juliet Borden, of 2328 South Hope
street, left yesterday for a three
months' eastern trip.

Margery's death and obituary was printed in the *Los Angeles Times* on the 26th of August 1907 and her funeral details on the 29th:

BORDEN—In Chicago, Ill., Aug. 25, 1907,
Margery Frances Borden, aged 38 years, wife
of Sheldon Borden, daughter of Mrs. M. C.
Burnett and mother of Cecil A. Borden,
Harry L. Borden and Juliet R. Borden. Fun-
eral services at St. Paul's Proccathedral
Friday, August 30, 1907, at 2 p. m. Inter-
ment strictly private.

Margery Frances Borden
Signature in 1906

Los Angeles Times Obituary – 26 August 1907:

DEATH OF MRS. S. BORDEN.

Wife of Well-Known Attorney Succumbs to a Surgical Operation in a Chicago Hospital.

Mrs. Margaret F. Borden, wife of Sheldon Borden, of this city, died at 5 o'clock yesterday morning in Chicago, from the effects of a surgical operation. News of her death was contained in a telegram from Mr. Borden to Robert Carhart, his associate in the law firm of Borden & Carhart. The message also stated that Mr. Borden would leave Chicago with the remains on Monday evening. He probably will arrive in Los Angeles Thursday or Friday. Until then no announcement can be made as to the arrangements for the funeral.

Mrs. Borden became ill while on a pleasure trip through the East, on which she departed July 3, accompanied by her little daughter. Two weeks ago yesterday Mr. Borden received a message informing him that her illness was of such a nature that a delicate surgical operation was considered necessary. He departed immediately for Chicago, and was with his wife when the end came.

The deceased was reared in San Francisco. She was married twenty-one years ago, and immediately came to Los Angeles with her husband, and has resided in this city ever since. She was the mother of three children, two sons and a daughter. Mrs. Borden came of a prominent Southern family, her grandfather having been a corps commander in the Confederate Army during the War of the Rebellion. She was a woman of most lovable personality, and the news of her death will come as a surprise and a shock to her hundreds of friends.

1 October 1908

The Ford Model T (colloquially known as *The Tin Lizzie*) was produced by the Ford Motor Company. It is regarded as the first affordable automobile and opened travel to the common middle-class American, partly because of Henry Ford's introduction of assembly-line production instead of hand crafting. In 1999 the Ford Model T was named the most influential car of the 20th century.



Sheldon and Margery Borden were frequently in the society columns of the Los Angeles newspapers. They gave many parties and Margery was an accomplished musician and singer. The following article was published in the *Los Angeles Herald* on 4 September 1904:

Popular Young Matron Charms With Voice and Manner

WELL KNOWN AS
WRITER AND POETESS

Has Wide Circle of Friends
Who Praise Her
Talents

Of the many beautiful and talented young matrons of Los Angeles, none has been more widely admired, not only for her ability but her achievements, than Mrs. Sheldon Borden, musician, poetess and writer. The charming woman is the center of a loyal group of friends, whose admiration does not cease with the knowledge of her talents. She is witty, gracious in manner and a charming conversationalist, and in addition to these excellent qualities she is a musician of rare talent.

Her voice is a splendid one, and her musical friends urge her to more solo work than she has yet accomplished.

The Borden home is a hospitable one and Mr. Borden and his talented wife are never so happy as when entertaining a house full of guests. Mrs. M. C. Burnett and her daughter, Mrs. Borden, entertained at an elaborate musicale on Friday in honor of Mrs. Charles Wellington Rand. They were assisted in receiving by Mrs. W. L. Graves, Mrs. C. S. Campbell-Johnson, Mrs. Willoughby Rodman, Mrs. Robert Carhart, Mrs. E. T. Perkins, Mrs. Lucia Burnett, Mrs. Oliver P. Posey and Mrs. Adam Darling. Miss Gertrude Goding, Miss Mary Darling and Miss Helen Kemper presided at the tables, where tea and punch were served.



Mrs. Sheldon Borden,
one of Los Angeles'
most talented young matrons

Sheldon⁷ Borden died 29 November 1927. An obituary was published in the *Los Angeles Times*, p. II-11, col. 5 on 1 December and a report of his funeral service was printed on 3 December in the same paper, p. II-5, col. 1:

<p>FUNERAL OF BORDEN SET FOR FRIDAY</p> <p><i>Well-Known Lawyer Died Tuesday Last After Being Ill for Two Years</i></p> <p>Funeral services will be conducted Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Pierce Brothers' chapel, 720 West Washington street, for Sheldon Borden, 69 years of age, who died on last Tuesday night at the home of his son, Cecil A. Borden, 2527 Eleventh avenue, after a two years' illness.</p> <p>Mr. Borden was born in Citronelle, Ala., in 1858. He went to San Francisco in 1881 and was graduated from the University of California law school in 1884.</p> <p>In 1886 Mr. Borden came to Los Angeles to practice law. He served as a member of one of the early boards of trustees of the Los Angeles Public Library, also a term as president of the Los Angeles Bar Association and at the time of his death was a member of the University Club and Pasadena Golf Club.</p> <p>He leaves a daughter, Mrs. I. H. Mayfield of Washington, D. C., and two sons, Cecil A. Borden, an attorney of this city, and Lieut. Harry I. Borden, Fort Scott, San Francisco.</p> <p>Interment will be at Evergreen Cemetery.</p>	<p>Funeral Service Conducted for Sheldon Borden</p> <p>Funeral services for Sheldon Borden, Los Angeles attorney, who died Tuesday night, were conducted yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Pierce Brothers' chapel, 720 West Washington street. Dr. Sanford E. Bell officiated.</p> <p>Joseph Scott delivered a funeral oration reminiscent of the early bar of this county, in which he paid deep tribute to the character and work of his departed colleague.</p> <p>Those acting as honorary pallbearers were Judge Stephens, Judge Shaw, Senator Works, William J. Hunsaker, Judge Britt, Jefferson P. Chandler, R. Dillon, Henry W. O'Melveny, Oscar Mueller, Edwin A. Meserve, Frank James, Oscar Lawler, Robert M. Clarke, Eugene Overton, John C. Gott, James A. Anderson, all past-presidents, and Kemper E. Campbell, president of the Los Angeles County Bar Association; Jess E. Stephens, Joseph Scott, G. W. Camp and Edward Wehrle.</p> <p>The active pallbearers were Richard O. Culver, George H. Moore, Clarence E. Carpenter, Frederick W. Von Schrader, Treat G. Anderson, Roy King, Hubert Starr and Forest Stanton.</p> <p>Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery.</p>
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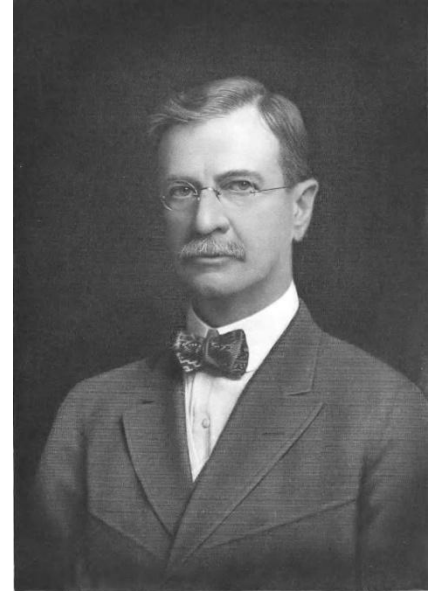
Sheldon Borden
1910 Passport Application

A biography of Sheldon⁷ Borden was found in Volume XXXV of the *American Biography, a New Cyclopedia, Illustrated*, published under the Direction of The American Historical Society Inc., New York 1928, pp.376-377. The following is an abridged version:

BORDEN, Sheldon, Lawyer

A member of an old and prominent Southern family and himself a native of Alabama. the late Sheldon Borden had come to California with his family as a young boy soon after the Civil War. Educated in the schools and universities of the State of his adoption, he followed a legal career, in which he achieved great success. He was widely known and highly regarded in legal circles of the Pacific Coast, not only for his sound legal judgment and his exceptional legal knowledge, but also for his dependability, candor and integrity. He maintained throughout his entire life a deep and sincere interest in literature and education. He was a resident of Los Angeles, California, for over four decades.

Sheldon Borden was born at Citronelle, Alabama, November 10, 1858, a son of the late Dr. Joseph Borden. His father was a native of North Carolina, and removed to Alabama in his early manhood. There he engaged in the practice of medicine and also managed a large and prosperous plantation. An active and most sincere supporter of the Confederate cause during the Civil war, Dr. Borden, like so many other Southern gentlemen, found himself at the end of the war impaired in health and fortune. In 1868 he decided to remove to California, in the building up of which State he and his descendants too an active part thereafter. Together with



Sheldon Borden

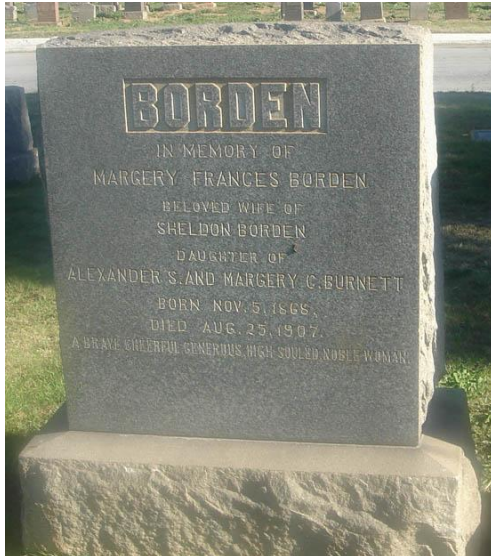
his family, consisting of his wife, one daughter and four sons, of which the subject of this article was one, he made the journey by way of the Isthmus of Panama. Upon arrival in California they settled in the San Joaquin Valley, then a vast uncultivated plain. At age ten, undoubtedly, the journey was much more an exciting and a very interesting series of adventures than anything else and the memories of these early days were always treasured by him. These years also left a deep impress on his character, the ruggedness of which to a certain extent was the result of these pioneer days. Though during his boyhood and youth his surroundings were in many respects primitive, his home was one of culture and of fine traditions and he received an excellent education.

In 1881 Mr. Borden went to San Francisco and there entered Hastings College of Law, the law school of the University of California, from which he graduated in 1884 with a degree of bachelor of Laws. In order to pay his expenses as the University, he contributed to some of the leading Pacific coast weeklies of that period. In 1886 he removed to Los Angeles and there established his law practice. Mr. Borden made rapid progress and became known as a learned and dependable attorney. He specialized in *mechanic's liens* and for many years enjoyed a very large and lucrative practice until failing health forced him into retirement several years prior to his death. For many years he was a member of the Los Angeles County Bar Association, of which he was a past president. His interest in literature and education found expression in his service as a member of one of the early boards of trustees of the Los Angeles Public Library. He was also a member of the University Club of Los Angeles, and of the Pasadena Golf Club.

Sheldon Borden married, in 1886, Margery Frances Burnett, Children: 1. Cecil A., an attorney, of Los Angeles, 2 Harry I., a lieutenant in the United States Army. 3. Juliet B., wife of Commander I. H. Mayfield, United States Navy, stationed in Washington, District of Columbia.

Mr. Borden died at the home of his older son in Los Angeles after several years' illness. His death was not only a great loss to his family, to which he was deeply devoted, and to his many friends, who always found him a loyal and genial companion, but also to his profession, of the highest standards of which he was representative, and to the community-at-large, to the development of which he had made many valuable contributions.

Margery and Sheldon Borden were buried at Evergreen Cemetery in Los Angeles.



"A Brave, Cheerful, Generous, High-Souled, Noble Woman"



"A Great Lawyer, A Virile Citizen, A loyal Friend ever strong, Tender, Honorable and True"

Sheldon⁷ and Margery⁵ (Burnett) Borden had three children:

- A. Cecil⁸ Alexander Borden was born 10 April 1887. His birth was announced in the *Los Angeles Daily Herald* the next day:

**BORDEN—In Los Angeles April 10th, 1887,
to the wife of Sheldon Borden, a son.
(San Francisco papers please copy.)**



*Cecil Alexander Borden
1887–1949*

*1st Lieut. Cecil A. Borden
– 1917 World War I*

Margaret's birth was difficult and she possibly sustained some minor brain damage which left her in poor health during her short life. She died 23 January 1939 in Los Angeles aged just 18. Her death was announced in the *Los Angeles Times* on 25 January:

BORDEN, Margaret Jean Borden, beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil A. Borden; sister of Sheldon Borden III. Services Thursday, 1 p.m., at the Little Church of the Flowers, Forest Lawn, Tassell-Maynes Co. in charge.

- ii. Sheldon⁹ Morris Borden was born on 3 April 1933 in Los Angeles. He first married Elaine 'Hitty' Starr Fulford on 4 October 1952 in Los Angeles. She was born 13 November 1934 in Michigan and died 19 September 2018. At the time of their marriage Sheldon was 19 and Elaine 17 years old.



*Sheldon Borden
in 1992*



*Sheldon Borden
in 2013*



*Elaine Starr Fulford
1934–2018*

Sheldon Borden and Elaine Fulford had two children:

- a. Shelly¹⁰ Starr Borden was born 30 September 1953. She married Norman G. Hawkins on 7 August 1982 in Los Angeles. He was born 30 September 1947.



Norman G. Hawkins and Shelly Starr Borden

Shelly and Norman Hawkins have one daughter:

- (i) Brittany¹¹ Noelle Hawkins was born 21 June 1990. She married Timothy Jay Sherrill on 21 May 2016. He was born 6 January 1989.



*Brittany Noelle Hawkins and Timothy Jay Sherrill
on their wedding day - 2016*

- b. James¹⁰ Sheldon Borden was born 6 April 1955 in Los Angeles. He died 27 April 2005 of *kidney failure*. His obituary was published in the *Los Angeles Times* on 29 April 2005:

Borden, James ‘Jimmy’

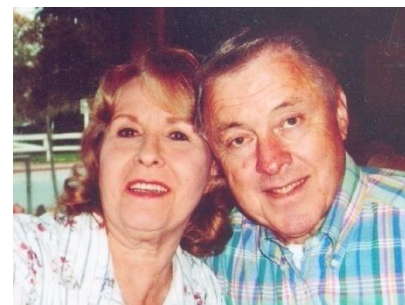
Passed away April 27, 2005. Jimmy Borden was a talented, primarily, Blues Musician having played with many top recording musicians at gigs. His specialty being organ and piano (keyboard), Jimmy also played saxophone, fiddle, accordion as well as other musical instruments. He had a beautiful singing voice and performed this way as well. When Jim was eight years of age, with no formal training, he was a cartoonist. This talent remained. Jim had a spontaneous sense of humor and enjoyed horror movies as well as others. James had been on kidney dialysis for 26 years and continued to perform. He would make arrangements for other musicians, when on tour, to be dialyzed in this area. Jim was a kind and gentle man, always thoughtful of others. James attended Webster Jr. High, Venice High School and Santa Monica College where he played with the marching band. James leaves behind his mother, Elaine (Hitty) Borden, Ph.D., who brought him up from the age of two as a single parent, father Sheldon Borden, stepmother Carol, sister Shelly Hawkins, half-sister Julie Borden-Niesenholz, niece Brittany Noelle Hawkins, nephew Conrad Niesenholz, many cousins and friends. Predeceased by grandfather Clarence S. Fulford, grandmother Grace G. Fulford, uncle James Fulford, stepfather Ernest W. Pullman, M.D. Memorial service Sat., June 4, 2005 at 2:00 p.m., University Christian Church, 5831 W. Centinela Ave., L.A., CA 90045. James' friends are welcome. RSVP- Church - (310-630-4747).



*James Sheldon Borden
1955–2005*

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Sheldon⁹ Borden and his wife Elaine were divorced about 1957 and on 12 January 1963 he married Carolyn Northway. She was born 5 August 1940.



*Carol J. Northway
and Sheldon ‘Bud’ Borden*

Sheldon and Carol had one child:

- c. Julie¹⁰ Anne Borden, pictured at right, was born 5 January 1968 in Los Angeles. She married Adam Nisenholz on 12 April 1997 and they had one son:
- (i) Conrad¹¹ Nisenholz, born 13 September 2002.



On 10 February 1973 Sheldon's first wife, Elaine Fulford, married Dr. Ernest Wilfred Pullman. They were married in Los Vegas, Nevada. He was the son of Russian emigrants and was born 15 July 1926 in Chicago, Illinois.



*Ernest W. Pullman
1926–1981
Uni. of Illinois
1948 Year Book*

Ernest was first married to Ida Caroline Schuette on 24 October 1953 in San Antonio, Texas. She was born 17 October 1925 in East St. Louis, Illinois and died 3 March in Vancouver, They had four children.

Ernest and Ida were divorced in September 1971 in Los Angeles.

Ernest was a psychiatrist at the Westwood Hospital in Los Angeles. On 17 August 1981 he was shot dead beside his car in the hospital car park. The murder was reported in the *Los Angeles Times* on 18 August.

Doctor Killed in Parking Lot Near Hospital

The medical director of a psychiatric hospital in West Los Angeles was fatally shot several times Monday night shortly after a staff meeting at the facility ended, police said.

Dr. Ernest W. Pullman, 55, was found at 11:54 p.m. lying next to his car in a parking lot close to the Westwood Hospital, an acute psychiatric care facility, said Detective Lee Kingsford. He had been shot several times in the chest.

Investigators believe it might have been "a robbery that went sour," Kingsford said, adding that the doctor's wallet and money were still on him.

Robbery Angle 'Probable'

"The only other logical possibility is that it was a mental patient who didn't like his (the doctor's) services, but the robbery angle seems more probable," Kingsford said.

Pullman had called a staff meeting that ended at 9 p.m., police said. "He remained in the hospital for 30 minutes after the staff meeting signing some papers and other things. He left and was last seen at 9:30 p.m. en route to the parking lot," Kingsford said.

Police said that when Pullman didn't arrive at his Mar Vista home, his wife, Elaine, called the hospital. Employees went out to check and found him by his car, Kingsford said.

Further investigation into the murder was also reported in the *Los Angeles Times* on 20 August and on 22 August a reward was offered for information leading to the arrest of the killer or killers.

'Assassination' Hinted in Doctor's Death

Autopsy Shows Psychiatrist Was Shot Six Times at Close Range

By ROBERT WELKOS, *Times Staff Writer*

The possibility that a West Los Angeles psychiatrist was "assassinated" as he left the hospital where he worked was raised Wednesday when an autopsy showed he was shot six times at close range. One of the bullets was fired into the back of the victim's head.

"It would appear that the shot to the back of the head would lend more credence to the possibility of it being an assassination as opposed to a robbery attempt," said Los Angeles Police Detective Lee Kingsford, who is investigating the slaying of Dr. Ernest W. Pullman.

Kingsford, who was at the autopsy, said he was not ruling out attempted robbery in Pullman's death but added that police now believe the killing was deliberate, although no specific motive has been established.

"We do have slightly more evidence to indicate at this point

that it was an out-and-out murder," Kingsford said, referring to the autopsy findings.

Pullman, 55, medical director since 1974 at The Westwood Hospital, a 94-bed acute psychiatric care facility on Barrington Avenue, was last seen at 9 p.m. Monday, leaving the building after a meeting with other hospital executives.

At 11:45 p.m., after several frantic phone calls from the psychiatrist's wife, employees found Pullman's body sprawled in a staff parking lot near his car.

Kingsford said there was no sign of a struggle and that whoever shot the psychiatrist left untouched a wallet containing \$14, two rings and a watch.

The detective said that besides the head wound, Pullman suffered gunshots in the chest that were extremely close together, and one shot

in the left arm. He said the killer used a small-caliber weapon.

"They (the wounds) were all at relatively close range," Kingsford said. "He didn't attempt to run or didn't attempt to struggle. But being a psychiatrist, if someone approached him and put a gun to his back or his face he'd probably try to talk them out of it rather than anything else."

Kingsford said he located a neighbor who heard six gunshots, but no one who saw the shooting.

"I've talked to the family and hospital officials and none of them are aware of any threats he has had," Kingsford said.

Kingsford previously said that there was a "real possibility" that a disgruntled mental patient killed Pullman but without more evidence state privacy laws prohibited him from searching through patient records at the psychiatric hospital.

\$10,000 Reward Offered

A \$10,000 reward was offered Friday for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the killer or killers of West Los Angeles psychiatrist Dr. Ernest W. Pullman.

Westwood Hospital Administrator Jack Handler announced the reward, which is being offered by the hospital's medical staff; Community Psychiatric Centers of California Inc., owners of the hospital, and other hospitals throughout the state.

Pullman, 55, medical director at Westwood Hospital since 1974, was shot to death Monday night as he walked to his car in a hospital parking lot.

Dr Pullman's murderer or murderers were never found.

Ernest W. Pullman was buried in the Los Angeles Cemetery, Plot 407, G-5



Cecil⁸ Alexander Borden died Monday, 27 June 1949. Two notices of his death were reported in the *Los Angeles Times* on 29 June:

**BORDEN, Cecil A., beloved husband of Lillian Borden, father of Sheldon Borden, brother of Harry I. Borden and Juliet Mayfield.
Services Thursday at 2:30 p.m., in the Church of the Recessional. Forest Lawn Mortuary in charge.**

Cecil A. Borden
Funeral services for Cecil A. Borden, 62, a deputy City Attorney in the legal division of the Department of Water and Power, will be conducted tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. in the Church of the Recessional, Forest Lawn Memorial-Park. Mr. Borden died last Monday from heart disease. He leaves his widow, Lillian M., and a son, Sheldon M. Borden, 696 S Bronson Ace.

(Registrant's signature)

Cecil A. Borden
WWII Draft Registration card

After Cecil's death his widow, Lillian, applied for a Military Veteran's Headstone Marker the following month.

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Cecil⁸ was buried at Evergreen Cemetery in Los Angeles.



Lillian Morris Borden died 25 March 1967. She was buried at Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Glendale, Los Angeles County. Her death carried the briefest announcement in the *Los Angeles Times* death notices on 26 March:

BORDEN, Lillian.
Forest Lawn-Glendale.

Ms Isodoro Can, Records Department of Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, CA, provided the following information:

Mrs Lillian Morris Borden was placed in niche 53387 in the *Utility Columbarium* on April 3, 1967. She was then removed from this niche and placed in niche 35259 in the *Columbarium of the Patriots* in Forest Lawn Glendale on March 3, 1987. Mrs Borden was 76 years of age at the time of her passing on March 25, 1967. Our records do not indicate that a tablet was ever purchased.

Continuing with the children of Sheldon⁷ and Margery⁵ (Burnett) Borden ...

- B. Harry⁸ Innes Borden** was born 10 May 1889 in Los Angeles. The origin of his unusual middle name is unknown.

Harry married Sally⁴ Ann Bonner on 16 April 1912. She was born 28 June 1889 in Milan, Missouri and was the daughter of Mary Anna ‘Minnie’ Boner and Herman Zimbrich. Sally, whose proper name was probably Sarah, never adopted the name Zimbrich.



Harry Innes Borden
1889–1967

Harry and Sally’s marriage was announced in the *San Francisco Call* the next day:



Sally Ann Bonner
1889–1938

Sally was actually the *grand-niece* of J. Ross² Clark, her grandmother being his older sister Sarah² Ann Clark who married John Quincy Boner (1830–1908).

**WRECK VICTIM'S
COUSIN MARRIED**

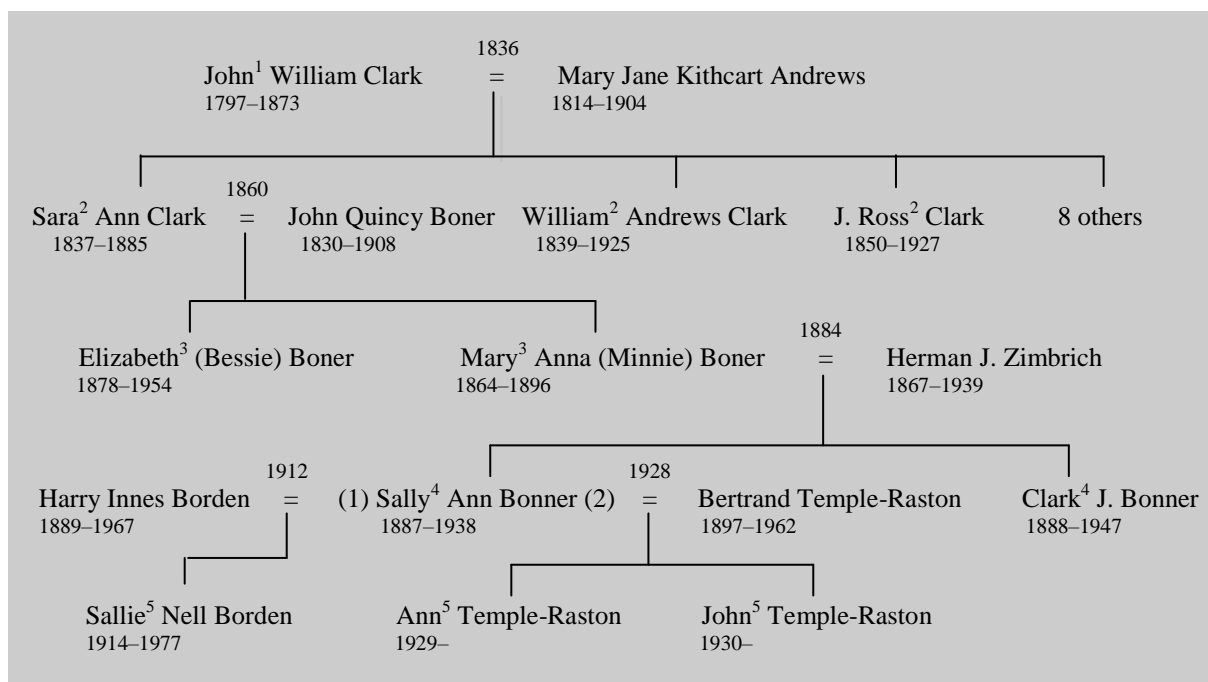
LOS ANGELES, April 17.—Miss Sally Bonner, niece of J. Ross Clark, vice president of the Salt Lake railroad, and Harry Innesborden were married at 9 o'clock last night, after J. Ross Clark received a telegram stating that his son Walter M. Clark, one of the passengers on the ill fated Titanic, had been rescued.

During the day the name of Mrs. Clark was among those of the rescued on board the Cunard liner Carpathia and fear that her young husband was one of the many who went down with the Titanic caused the announcement of the indefinite postponement of the wedding which was to have been an important social event.

Shortly before 9 o'clock Clark received a private telegram which stated that his son had been rescued and the wedding followed.

It was learned later that the name of young Clark did not appear on the revised list of cabin passengers rescued.

The Clark and Bonner Connection



Sally Anne Bonner's great, grandfather was John¹ William Clark. He was born 13 November 1797 in Pennsylvania and died 7 July 1873 in Iowa.

John¹ married Mary Jane Kithcart Andrews on 1 July 1836 in Laurel Hill, Pennsylvania. She was born 24 January 1814 in Connellsville, Pennsylvania and died 17 December 1904 in Los Angeles. She was the daughter of William Andrews and Sarah Kithcart.

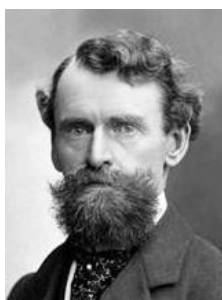


Jane Kithcart Andrews
1814–1904

John¹ Clark and Mary Jane Kithcart Andrews had eleven children, several of whom achieved some prominence in the community.

1. Sarah² Ann Clark 1837–1885 → See further on.
2. William² Andrews Clark was born 8 January 1839 in Pennsylvania and died 2 March 1925 in New York. William became a copper magnate and US Senator. He married Catherine Louise 'Kate' Stauffer in Connellsville, Pennsylvania on 28 May 1869. She was born in 1840 and died 1893.

William A. Clark
1895 Passport Application



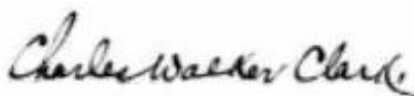
William Andrews Clark
1839–1925



Catherine Louise Stauffer
1840–1893

William² Andrews Clark and Catherine Stauffer had seven children. Only four reached maturity.

- A. Mary³ ‘May’ Joaquina Clark was born 25 January 1870 in Montana and died 19 December 1939 in New York. She married first Everett Malory Culver on 21 April 1891 in New York. He was a distant cousin. Her second marriage was to Charles Potter Kling in February on 6 February 1905 in New York. They divorced in 1925. She then married a third time to Marius De Brabant on 2 March 1925 in New York.
- B. Charles³ ‘Charlie’ Walker Clark was born 3 November 1871 in Montana and died of *pneumonia* on 8 April 1933 in New York. He married Katherine Quinn Roberts on 30 June 1896 in Montana. She died in New York City in 1904. Later that year on 4 August he married Celia Tobin (1874–1965), a member of San Francisco High Society. They divorced in 1925 and he married for a third time to Elizabeth Wymond Young Judge on 22 August the same year.



Charles Walker Clark
1910 Passport Application

- C. Katherine³ ‘Katie’ Louise Clark was born 11 May 1875 and died 1933 in New York. She married Dr Lewis Rutherford Morris (1862–1936) on 28 May 1900 in New York.

Katherine Louise Clark
1875–1933



- D. William³ Andrews Clark Jr. was born 29 March 1877 in Montana and died 14 June 1934 in Salmon Lake, Montana. In 1919 William founded the Los Angeles Philharmonic. He married Mabel Duffield Foster in 1902. She died of *septicemia* following the birth of their son, William Andrews Clark III. He was born 2 December 1902 and died in a plane crash in Arizona in 1932. On 7 May 1907 William³ married Alice McManus Medin. She was born July 1883 in Nevada and died 1918 in Los Angeles.



William Andrews Clark Jr.
1877–1934



William A. Clark Jr.
1910 Passport Application



Alice M. Medins
1883–1918

William² Andrews's wife, Catherine Louise Stauffer, died 19 October 1893 in New York City. Eight years later William² married Anna Eugenia La Chapelle 25 May 1901 in Marseilles, France. She was born 10 March 1878 in Michigan and died 11 October 1963 in New York.

Anna Eugenia La Chapelle
1878–1963



William² Andrews Clark and Anna La Chapelle had two children who reached maturity.

- H. Louise³ Amelia Andree Clark. She was born 13 August 1902 in Spain and died 6 August 1919 of *meningitis* in Maine.
- I. Huguette³ Marcelle Clark was born 9 June 1906 in Paris, France and died 24 May 2011 in New York City at the remarkable age of 104. She married William MacDonald Leveson Gower on 18 August 1928 in Santa Barbara, California but divorced two years later in 1930 in Reno, Nevada. Thereafter Huguette led a reclusive life. William was born 19 February 1905 in New York and died 21 December 1976 in Antibes, France.



Huguette Marcelle Clark
1906–2011



William M. Gower
1905–1976

- 3. John² Reed Clark was born 1840 in Pennsylvania and died 1841 in Los Angeles.
- 4. Joseph² Kithcart Clark was born 2 February 1842 in Pennsylvania and died 25 January 1903 in Los Angeles. He married Amanda E. Morehouse on 10 February 1867 in Ohio. She was born 1850 in New Brunswick, Canada and died 10 July 1928 in Los Angeles.



Joseph Kithcart Clark
1842–1903

- 5. Elizabeth² ‘Lizzie’ Clark was born 24 April 1844 in Pennsylvania and died 6 May 1936 in Los Angeles. She married Joaquin Abascal on 22 November 1877 in Montana. He was born 1833 in Spain and died 25 December 1888 in Deer Lodge, Montana. They had two children.
 - A. Mary³ Joaquina Abascal. She was born 25 June 1880 in Deer Lodge, Montana and died 22 February 1968 in Santa Anna, California.
 - B. Anita³ Abascal was born 6 June 1882 in Deer Lodge, Montana and died 22 February 1968 in California. She married Thomas Alexander McKenzie on 19 October 1910 in Chicago. He was born 24 January 1881 in Swatow, China and died 1962.

- 6. Margaret² Johnson Clark was born 27 May 1846 and died the same year in December.
- 7. Mary² Margaret Clark was born 14 December 1847 in Pennsylvania and died 29 August 1916 in Los Angeles. She married Theodore Frelinghuysen Miller on 21 December 1870 in Iowa. He was born 3 February 1845 in Indiana and died 6 July 1927 in Los Angeles. They had five children.



Mary Margaret Clark
1847–1916

8. James² Ross Clark was born 10 April 1850 in Pennsylvania and died 18 September 1927 in Los Angeles. He was the Vice-President of the Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad. James married Miriam Augusta Evans on 16 April 1878 in New York. She was born 16 July 1858 in Ohio and died in 13 January 1951 in Los Angeles.



Miriam Augusta Evans
1878–1951



James Ross Clark
1850–1927

James² Ross Clark and Miriam Evans had five children. Only two reached maturity:

- A. Ella³ Harriet Clark was born 12 February 1879 in Montana and died 5 October 1922 in Los Angeles. She married Henry Carlton Lee on 7 December 1904 in California. He was born 14 October 1875 in Cleveland, Ohio and died 26 October 1938 in Pasadena. After Ella died Henry married the widow Louise S. Wilshire, née Schwarz, on 17 November 1923. She was born 19 January 1878 in Los Angeles and died 13 October 1938 in San Marino, California. Louise was first married to Nathaniel 'Nat' F. Wilshire on 10 January 1906. He was born 5 June 1873 in Ohio and died 25 March 1914 in Chicago.



Ella Harriet Clark
1879–1922

Louise Schwarz
1922 Passport Application

Louise was the sister of Laura Madeline Schwarz. Laura was born 1 September 1880 and died 16 January 1957. She was first married to Robert Arnold Rowan on 28 February 1903. He was born August 1875 in Illinois and died 25 July 1918 in California. They had four children.

Six years later on 9 June 1924, Laura married Prince Domenico Napoleone Orsini of Italy. He was born 6 November 1868 in Rome and died 21 March 1947. The Orsini family is one of the oldest in European nobility dating back to the second century. It is noted that some of the early Popes were of Orsini stock.

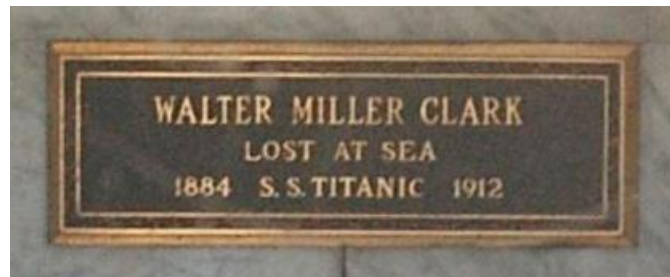
- C. Walter³ Miller Clark was born 1884 and perished on the sinking of the *R.M.S. Titanic* on 14 April 1912. His wife Estelle Virginia McDowell, whom he married on 6 January 1909 in New York, survived the ordeal and later remarried to John Steward Tanner on 23 September 1912 just five months after the Titanic disaster, much to the disapproval of the Clark family. Virginia, as she was generally known as, was born 30 May 1885 in Montana and died 21 December 1958 in California.



Walter Miller Clark
1884–1912



Virginia E. Clark
1885–19858



In his memory a plaque was installed in the rear of the Clark Mausoleum

Walter³ Miller Clark and Estelle Virginia McDowell had one son:

- i. James⁴ Ross Clark II. He was born 24 April 1910 and died 24 February 1962. He was married three times.

Continuing with the children of John¹ William Clark Mary Jane Kithcart Andrews:

9. George² O. Clark was born 9 August 1852 and died 31 May 1856.
10. Anna² Belle Clark was born 10 November 1855 in Pennsylvania and died 15 January 1934 in Los Angeles, California. She was not married.
11. Effie² Ellen 'Ella' Clark was born 21 March 1860 in Iowa and died 17 October 1941 in San Diego, California. She married the Rev. James Madison Newell on 12 August 1903 in Los Angeles. He was born 21 November 1840 in West Virginia and died 25 June 1932 in Los Angeles. James was first married to Harriet Atwood on 5 August 1868 in Ohio. She was born 4 December 1847 in Ohio and died 21 February 1900 in Los Angeles. Ella and James had one child.

James served with the 115th Ohio Volunteer Infantry Regiment during the Civil War.



Effie Ellen Clark
1860–1941

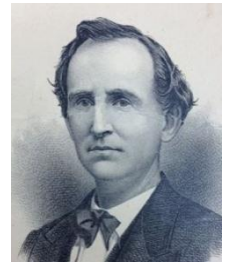


James Madison Newell
1840–1932



The Boner (later spelt Bonner) Family

Sarah² Ann Clark, John and Mary Clark's first-born daughter, was born on 30 September 1837 in Pennsylvania and died 28 January 1885 in Los Angeles of *tuberculosis*. On 26 September 1860 in Milan, Missouri, Sarah married John Quincy Boner (later spelt Bonner). He was born 5 August 1830 in Indiana and died 28 October 1908 in Milan, Missouri. In the Civil War he joined the Union's 16th Regiment, Kentucky Infantry.



John Quincy Boner
1830–1908

Of their several children only two reached maturity.

1. Elizabeth³ 'Bess' Boner was born 2 July 1878 in Missouri and died 27 December, 1961 in Arizona. She married Joseph Edward Thompson on 29 December 1898 in Montana. He was born 16 September 1875 in Montana and died 18 April 1950 in Arizona.



Elizabeth (Bessie) Boner
1878–1954



Joseph Edward Thompson
1875–1950

Joseph Edward Thompson

Joseph Edward Thompson Sr
1922 Passport Application

Bessie³ and Joseph Thompson had two children.

- A. Joseph⁴ Edward Thompson Jr., pictured at right, was born 14 October 1899 in New York and died 25 May 1983 in Arizona. He married Carolyn Elizabeth Cooley on 11 October 1930 in Illinois. She died on 17 October 1959 and Joseph married Marie A. Stoner on 13 December 1963 in Nevada.



Joseph Edward Thompson Jr.

Joseph Edward Thompson Jr
1922 Passport Application

- B. William⁴ Boner Thompson was born 4 March 1908 in New York and died 15 November 1984 in Pasadena, California. He married Marie Elise Kruttschnitt on 17 February 1930 in New York. She was born 21 August 1908 in Arizona and died 27 June 1984 in Pasadena. They had three children.



William Boner Thompson
1908–1984



Marie Elise Kruttschnitt
1908–1984

2. **Mary³ Anna ‘Minnie’ Boner** was born 21 September 1864 in Milan, Missouri. When she was seven her sister Ella and brother George died of *diphtheria*. In 1886, Minnie who was a sheltered and unworldly country girl, fell for the charms of a dashing, young New Yorker named Herman J. Zimbrich and scandalized her family by eloping with him. She was 22 years old. Herman was thought to be Jewish which did not impress Minnie's conservative Presbyterian family. Herman was the son of Daniel Zimbrich and Louise Hoefler. Both were born in Germany. Herman was born 1865 in New York and died 1939.

Minnie and Herman divorced about 1894. Minnie, like her mother before her, died of *tuberculosis* on 24 September 1896 in Los Angeles. She left behind two young children. Two weeks later on 8 October 1896 Herman married Christina Trump in Chicago.



Mary Anna (Minnie) Boner
1864–1896



Herman J. Zimbrich
1865–1939

Minnie³ and Herman had two children, Clark⁴ Joaquin Zimbrich and Sarah⁴ Ann ‘Sally’ Zimbrich. Their parents divorced in 1894 and their mother died two years later in 1896 when they were 8 and 10 respectively. The change of name from "Boner" to "Bonner" was explained by Clark Joaquin Bonner's granddaughter, Beverly⁶ Bonner McCord. After their mother's death the two children were adopted by Minnie's uncle, J. Ross² Clark. The Clark family did not like the name Zimbrich. J. Ross Clark would have given them their last name "Clark", but that would have meant that Clark Joaquin would have become Clark Clark, which made no sense. So J. Ross Clark decided to use Minnie's name of Boner but that was not acceptable because the word boner meant a colossal blunder in the vernacular of the day. So he added an ‘n’ to the name and thus the name Bonner entered into the family.

- A. Clark⁴ Joaquin Bonner was born 28 October 1888 in New York. He married Violet Arvilla Sheppard on 28 September 1920 in Los Angeles. She was born 16 December 1898 in North Dakota and died 7 May 1988 in Los Angeles. Violet was the daughter of James Nesbitt Sheppard (1872–1934) and Frances Arvilla Brown (1874–1956).|



Clark Joaquin Bonner
1888–1947



Clark J. Bonner
WWI Draft Registration Card

Clark⁴ Joaquin Bonner died 13 January 1947 in Los Angeles. His death was reported in *The Seattle Times* the next day:

Kin of Montana Clarks Dies

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 14.—(AP)—Clark Joaquin Bonner, Sr., 57 years old, nephew of the late United States Senator William A. Clark of Montana and of J. Ross Clark, pioneer builder of the railroad line from Salt Lake City to Los Angeles, died yesterday.

Violet Bonner, née Sheppard, married for a second time to Robert Harrison Moulton on 9 July 1955 in Los Angeles. He was born 10 September 1888 in Illinois and died 2 October 1977 in California. He was previously married to Florence Wachter on 3 October 1914. She was born 22 October 1888 in Ohio and died 10 November 1953 in Los Angeles.

Clark⁴ Bonner and Violet Sheppard had two sons:

- i. Clark⁵ Joaquin Bonner Jr. was born 28 April 1922 and died 14 August 2015. He married Elizabeth Elinor Godshall on 9 October 1943.



Clark Joaquin Bonner Jr.
1922–2015
Stanford Uni 1942

Their engagement was announced in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on Friday, 28 May 1943 on page 10:

Stanford Pair: Beth Godshall Will Wed Clark J. Bonner

It was Elizabeth Elinor Godshall who passed the traditional five-pound box of candy to her sisters at the Delta Delta Delta sorority at Stanford a few days ago, but there was a difference. On top of the box was a miniature airplane in which sat a toy soldier, and thus her friends, learned that she was engaged to Cadet Clark J. Bonner, now training for the U. S. Army Air Corps at Washington State College.

Daughter of the William Arthur Godshalls of Los Angeles, Beth, as she is called by her intimates, has one sister, Marilyn, and three brothers, John, William and Robert Godshall. She

took her prep school work at Marlborough and is now in her sophomore year down on The Farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark J. Bonner, also of Los Angeles, are the parents of the benedict-elect, who has a brother, William. He also attended Stanford, where he made his headquarters at the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity.

The couple expect to be married within six months.

Clark⁵ J. Bonner Jr. and his wife Elizabeth Godshall were divorced in January 1968. He then married Nancy Souder Strawn Stoddard on 26 November 1971. Clark⁵ Bonner Jr. and Elizabeth Godshall had three children.

- ii. William⁵ Ross Bonner was born 6 August 1924 in Los Angeles. He married LaVera Jean McClintock on 20 November 1944 in Missouri. She was born 16 January 1925 in Missouri and died 25 January 1989 in Los Angeles.



William Ross Bonner
1924–1993



LaVera Jean McClintock
1925–1989

William⁵ Ross Bonner died 27 July 1993 in Arcadia, Los Angeles. His death was reported in the *Los Angeles Times* on the 30th of November:

BONNER, William R., Sr. beloved father of Clark J. Bonner, Anita J. O'Connor, William R. Bonner Jr., Daniel L. Bonner, and Eric S. Bonner; also survived by eleven grandchildren.
Services to be held 1pm, Saturday, July 31, 1993 at th Little Church of the Flowers, Forest Lawn Glendale.
Forest Lawn Mortuary

William⁵ Ross Bonner and LaVera McClintock had five children.

- a. Clark⁶ Joaquin Bonner was born 7 November 1947.
- b. Anita⁶ (Sean) Jean Bonner was born 16 June 1952.
- c. William⁶ Ross Bonner Jr was born 16 June 1952. He married Robin Gill on 1 August 1975 in Los Angeles. She was born 22 June 1956 in Provo, Utah. They have four children.
- d. Daniel⁶ Layton Bonner was born 27 February 1959.
- e. Eric⁶ Sheppard Bonner was born 15 August 1961.

B. Sarah⁴ (Sally) Ann Bonner was born 28 June 1889 in Milan, Missouri and moved to Los Angeles, California with her mother, Minnie. There she met and became engaged to Harry⁸ Innes Borden. Their wedding was arranged to coincide with the thirty-fourth anniversary of J. Ross² Clark and his wife Miriam Evans on 16 April 1912. He was Sally's great-uncle.

Two days before the scheduled wedding, news of the *Titanic* disaster came through. J. Ross Clark's son Walter³ M. Clark and his wife Virginia were on board. Thus began a tense family vigil awaiting news of the fate of Walter and Virginia.

Despite the uncertainty, on the evening of 16 April 1912 Harry Borden and Sally Bonner were united in marriage at the Clark mansion. Only the immediate families were present.



Sally Bonner in her wedding gown

15 April 1912

'**RMS Titanic**', on her maiden voyage from Southampton to New York City sinks after hitting an iceberg in the North Atlantic Sea, drowning about 1,500 of her estimated 2,224 passengers and crew. Titanic was under the command of Capt. Edward Smith who also went down with the ship. The ocean liner carried some of the wealthiest people in the world, as well as hundreds of emigrants from Europe who were seeking a new life in the United States.



An article from the social columns of the *San Francisco Call* on 25 June 1913:

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Borden of Los Angeles are the guests of Lieutenant and Mrs. Irving Hall Mayfield at Mare island. Mrs. Mayfield was formerly Miss Juliet Borden of Los Angeles, daughter of Sheldon Borden.

Harry⁸ Borden and Sally⁴ Bonner had one daughter:

- i. **Sallie⁹ Nell Borden** was born on 21 March 1914 and died of breast cancer on 25 August 1977 in the Los Angeles County (previously Methodist) Hospital in East Los Angeles. A memorial service was held the following week at St Vincent's Catholic Church in Los Angeles. Sally had decided not to be buried in the Clark Mausoleum in Hollywood Park Cemetery. Instead her ashes were placed next to her long-time friend Martha 'Pat' Johnson.



*Sally Bonner Borden
with daughter Sally Nell – c.1917*



*Sallie Nell Borden
1914–1977*

A family member wrote the following about Sally Nell Borden:

Sally Nell was unquestionably one of the nicest (and perhaps one of the unluckiest) people I have ever met and she lived her life courageously. She was born with a cleft-palate (my Father always wondered why it wasn't dealt with immediately since the medical capability was available at the time) which gave her a slightly garbled speech pattern. She refused to accept it, chose to ignore it, spoke as clearly as it allowed, and after a couple of minutes most people did the same. She also had an engaging laugh that did a lot to cover it up. In addition she was born with a 'cast' in her left eye which she also ignored effectively. Also, after the accident with my Mother, she had extensive damage to her left leg and hip, which gave her a widely swinging gait, but one that rarely if ever affected her mobility, even at the end of her life. She was a very strong person, able to adapt to difficult situations.



*Sallie Nell Borden with her mother Sally Ann Bonner Raston
c.1936*

An article from the *San Francisco Chronicle* on 25 November 1923:

Mrs. Harry I. Borden of San Francisco and her little daughter, Sally Nell, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ross Clark of Los Angeles, awaiting the arrival early in December of Lieutenant Borden. The Borden will sail for the Philippines next month, as Lieutenant Borden is to be stationed in the islands.

In the Fall of 1926 Harry and Sally were divorced. The following year Sally was diagnosed with TB, a disease which took the life of her mother and grandmother. She went to the TB Sanitarium in Belmont, Ca where she stayed until early 1928. Her physician was Dr Bernard Temple-Raston. A romance blossomed and on 5 November 1928 Sally and Bertrand were married at the home of J. Ross Clark in Los Angeles.

Their intention to marry was announced in the *Los Angeles Times* on the 1st of November:

Intention to Marry
TEMPLE-RASTON —BORDEN
Bertrand Temple-Raston, 30;
Sally B. Borden, 39



Bertrand Temple-Raston
1898–1962

Bertrand Raston was born 9 December 1897 in Leicester, England. His parents were John William Raston and Alice Phelps. He attended King Edward's School in Birmingham, graduating in 1914. With a major war looming on the horizon he immediately volunteered for an army officer Training Unit. He was posted to the Middlesex Regiment as a second Lieutenant in July 1914. In September he was sent to France.

Bernard Raston
Territorial Force Attestation in 1914

Being seriously shell-shocked, he was sent back to England in 1915 where he underwent rehabilitation. In 1917 he was accepted by Caius College, Cambridge to study Medicine. He qualified at Guy's Hospital, London and then went to the Leinzspital in Vienna.

In Vienna he met and married a nurse, Jeanne Maria Temple. Around the mid-1920s they travelled to the United States where he was accepted at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. About 1927 his marriage to Jeanne ended in divorce.

However, during his marriage to Jeanne, hyphenated names came into vogue in England and Bertrand decided to adopt his wife's surname as part of his own which greatly upset his father as he thought the name Raston quite honorable.

This new name was inherited by his children, but not by Sally who became Sally Bonner Raston when she married Bertrand. Understandable – why would she want to wear the name of her husband's first wife? In 1926 Bertrand moved to Los Angeles and met Sally Bonner Borden. They were married in November 1928. Sally brought into the marriage her daughter Sallie Nell Borden, then 14 years old.



Sally Ann Bonner Raston with Ann Temple-Raston – c.1930

Following their marriage, Bertrand decided to go back to England with his new wife and step-daughter, Sallie Nell. While in England their daughter Ann⁵ Temple-Raston was born.

Sally⁴ Ann Bonner and Bertrand Temple-Raston had two children:

- i. Ann⁵ Joaquina Temple-Raston was born 3 August 1929 in England. She married Alan Frederick Taylor on 9 July 1955 in England. He was born 2 November 1929 in England and died 11 April 2003 in Arizona. Ann and Alan Taylor had four children.
- ii. John⁵ Clark Temple-Raston was born 28 June 1930 in Los Angeles. He married Sandra Hughes on 4 November 1960 in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Bertrand's wife Sally was unhappy in England. She hated the weather and did not feel accepted by her husband's family, so in February 1930 she decided to return to the United States with her two daughters, Sallie Nell Borden and Ann Joaquina Temple-Raston. However, she was pregnant again and in June 1930 she gave birth to a son, John⁵ Clark Temple-Raston, in Los Angeles. By this time the marriage appears to have ended and Bertrand stayed in England before moving to Salzburg, Austria, where he died in 1962. Sally and Bertrand's divorce became final about 1936.

Bertrand appears to have married again to Anna Paula Helena (last name unknown) according to his Will Administration:

TEMPLE-
 RASTON Bertrand of Bayernstrasse 14 Salzburg Austria died
 9 November 1962 Probate Leicester 27 February to Anna
 Paula Helena Temple-Raston widow.
 Effects £1728 11s. in England.

Bertrand died 9 November 1962 in Salzburg, Austria. His passing was reported in the *British Medical Journal, Medical News*, December 1962:

Temple-Raston.—On November 9, 1962, at Bayernstrasse 14, Salzburg, Austria, Bertrand Temple-Raston, L.M.S.S.A., Lieutenant-Colonel, I.M.S.(ret.).

In the 1930 census Sally, together with her daughters Sallie Nell Borden and Ann Temple-Raston, are living with her great-aunt, Miriam Clark, now aged 71, in Los Angeles. There is no mention of her husband Bertrand. Her son John is yet to be born. She calls herself Sally Raston, having decided not to incorporate the name Temple in her husband's name.

By the 1940 Census Sally Nell is living with her father, Harry Innes Borden, and step-mother Fran Saunders Borden, née Chinn. Fran's son, John⁹ Henry Saunders Jr. had been living in Sydney, Australia since 1931 and was married with one child. .

On 21 April 1940 Fran's first husband, John⁸ 'Jack' H. Saunders Sr. died at his home in Sydney. He had been married to his second wife May Agnes Snowden since 1925. Jack was only 59 years old. May died 15 June 1953. Both were buried together in an unmarked grave. This was rectified by Jack's grandson who in 2001 arranged a suitable headstone on the gravesite.

→ See Chapter 10: John⁸ Henry Saunders Sr

Sally⁴ Bonner Raston died in a vehicle accident on Monday, 3 October 1938. Obituary and death notices were published in the *Los Angeles Times* on Thursday, 6 October:

RASTON. Mrs. Sally Bonner Raston, Mother of Sally Nell Borden, Ann Raston and John Raston. Services strictly private at the Hollywood Cemetery Chapel at 10 a.m. Thursday

OBITUARY

Mrs. Sally B. Raston

Private funeral services for Mrs. Sally B. Raston, 41 years of age, who was killed Monday in an automobile accident near San Luis Obispo, will be conducted today at 10 a.m. at the Hollywood Cemetery Chapel. Entombment will follow in the Clark Mausoleum in Hollywood Cemetery.



The *San Luis Obispo Daily Telegram* carried a report of the tragic accident on the front page of the edition published on 3 October 1938, col. 8. Below is the essential part of the report:

L.A. WOMAN KILLED, DAN SHEEHY HURT IN CRASH

Car Goes Out of Control

Sally Bonner Raston is dead and Sally Nell Borden, 23, is in the San Luis Sanitarium with a fractured skull and may die, and Dan Sheehy, of Nipomo, candidate for sheriff, also is in the hospital with a fractured left leg and left arm, the result of an automobile collision Monday at 8:45 a.m. on the 101 highway, a mile and a half south of Arroyo Grande.

The car in which the two women were riding was registered to the dead woman and the address of both was given by the coroner's office as 2551 Eighth avenue, Los Angeles.

Officers of the highway patrol are investigating the collision, following reports that the new car in which the two women were riding was swerving back and forth along the highway and that when Mr. Sheehy attempted to avoid the erratic machine, a collision of the cars occurred.

Richardson's ambulance was sent to the scene and rushed the injured to the sanitarium, where the woman was still being treated at noon by Dr. Earl King of Arroyo Grande, who attended the scene and accompanied the injured to the sanitarium. The body of the dead woman is at the Wood Undertaking Parlors at Arroyo Grande.

Mr. Sheehy, who lay swathed in bandages at the hospital Monday afternoon said that the driver of the other car had apparently lost control as it approached him.



*Sally Bonner Borden –1912
Bridesmaid at wedding
of Juliet Borden*



*Sally Anne Bonner
c.1908*

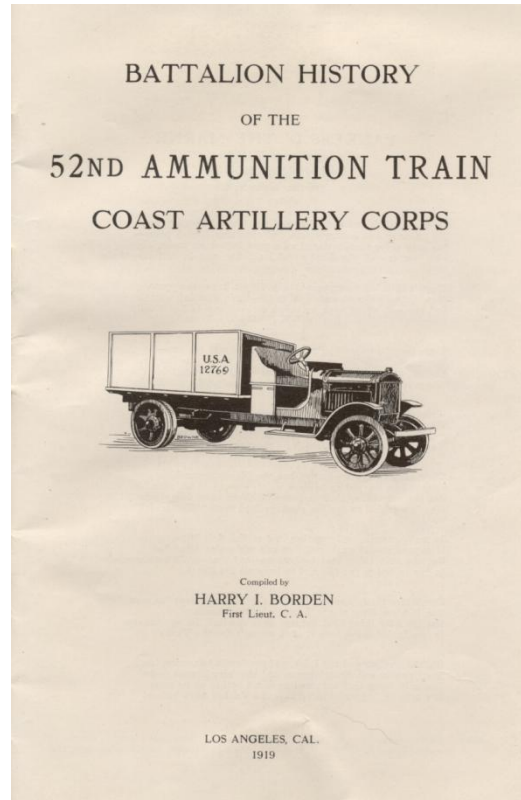


*Harry Innes Borden
c. 1918*

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In 1917 Harry enlisted in the US Army at Fort Scott, California. He became a 1st Lieutenant with the battalion known as the 52nd *Ammunition Train, Coast Artillery Corps, Company 'C*. referred to as the 'Lucky 52nd'. The battalion saw service in France near the end of the Great War.

In 1919 Harry compiled a booklet detailing the history of the battalion. After service in WWI he was honorably discharged on the 2nd of August 1919 at Fort McArthur.



*Harry Innes Borden
1889–1967*

The *San Francisco Chronicle* of 8 August 1919:

WILLIAM R. STAATS CO.
 Harry I. Borden, nephew of I. L. Borden, local banker, has joined the sales force of William R. Staats Company's San Francisco office. Borden has just returned from a year's service overseas. As a First Lieutenant in the 52d Ammunition Train, attached to the 31st Heavy Artillery Brigade, he saw considerable active service on the western battle front.

Harry Innes Borden

*Harry Innes Borden
WWI Draft Registration Card*

In February 1944 Sally⁵ Nell, now aged 30, wrote a letter to Fran Borden's son, John⁹ H. Saunders Jr., who at the time was serving with the US Army. In the letter below she talks about Fran Borden, her father Harry Borden and her half-brother and sister, John and Ann Temple-Raston, who were then living with their parents in India. The identity of Emma is unknown.

Print the complete address in plain black letters in the panel below, and your return address in the space provided. Use typewriter, dark ink, or pencil. Write plainly. Very small writing is not suitable.

No. _____

Sgt. John H. Saunders, Jr., ASN10641090
 Hqs. & Hqs. Co. 4th Replacement Dep. 42nd PAPERWOOD
 A.F.C. 703
 SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

S. H. BORDEN
 (Sender's name)
 LAKESIDE VILLAGE
 LONG BEACH 8 CALIF.
 (Sender's address)

February 16, 1944
 (Date)

(CENSOR'S STAMP)

Dear John:

Received your card and was so happy to hear from you. In all the years you've been away I would fail to send you a card this year. I do hope this year is a happy one (as happy as can be under the circumstances) and that next year finds this thing finished orwell on the way towards that goal.

I understand from Dad that you are now in candidate school so I suppose I have addresssed you incorrectly but have waited too long now to write so I am sorry. I wish you all the luck in the world and know you'll come out with well earned gold bars on your shoulders.

I have been living with a family forever a year now and am most happy. He works in a factory and has bought one of the new houses so we now have three bedrooms for five of us. I am trying to get my desk and dressing table down here but have to wait for a van load so God only knows when I'll get it in the meantime I have a coach, table and stand and suit cases in my room but think it will be swell if and when I get it fixed.

I am still working at the same place and, like all jobs, sometimes it is swell and other times not so good. I've come to the conclusion I need a vacation as I'm getting cranky but when I think of what you boys are doing without and all I could bite my tongue out when I even think of kicking. The girl who was my chum in the Philippines is now here in Long Beach and her husband was on Corregidor so he is certainly having no pink tea. I see her quite often and we have so much fun talka talking over old times.

I haven't seen Fran and Dad since early last summer but they are ok and you have one of the swellest Mothers in the world. I think things on that score are going pretty good at present, thank God. I wish they could move up into the City but they are very comfortable where they are.

My little brother and sister are still in India. They are both in boarding schools in the South of India and seem to be very happy. I am going to take the first boat out and go over to see them if I have to hook my soul, gee, but I certainly would love to see them. Oh yes, Fran is coming with me and we are going to come and see you and your family. How are Maureen and the boys? It is grand that you are able to see them once in a while. Please give them all my love. Both the boys must be quite grown up now.

Your Mother talked me into writing Emma and I no sooner get a letter written than I have an answer. She sent some of the funniest pictures one of both you and me when we were little which I sent on to Fran. After all, it was Fran she really wanted to hear from not me. Fran said she'd write her story and for me to write mine so I said nothing about Fran and Dad being married so when Emma answered she was so glad Mrs. Saunders lived near Dad and me. Fran said "I know, you're ashamed of your step-Mother"(a word both she and I hate and steer clear of. Anyway Emma has the straight of things now and is no longer in the dark.

I am sorry this is such an uninteresting letter but I honestly have nothing interesting about which to write. Anyway you know I do think about you and wish you the best of all.

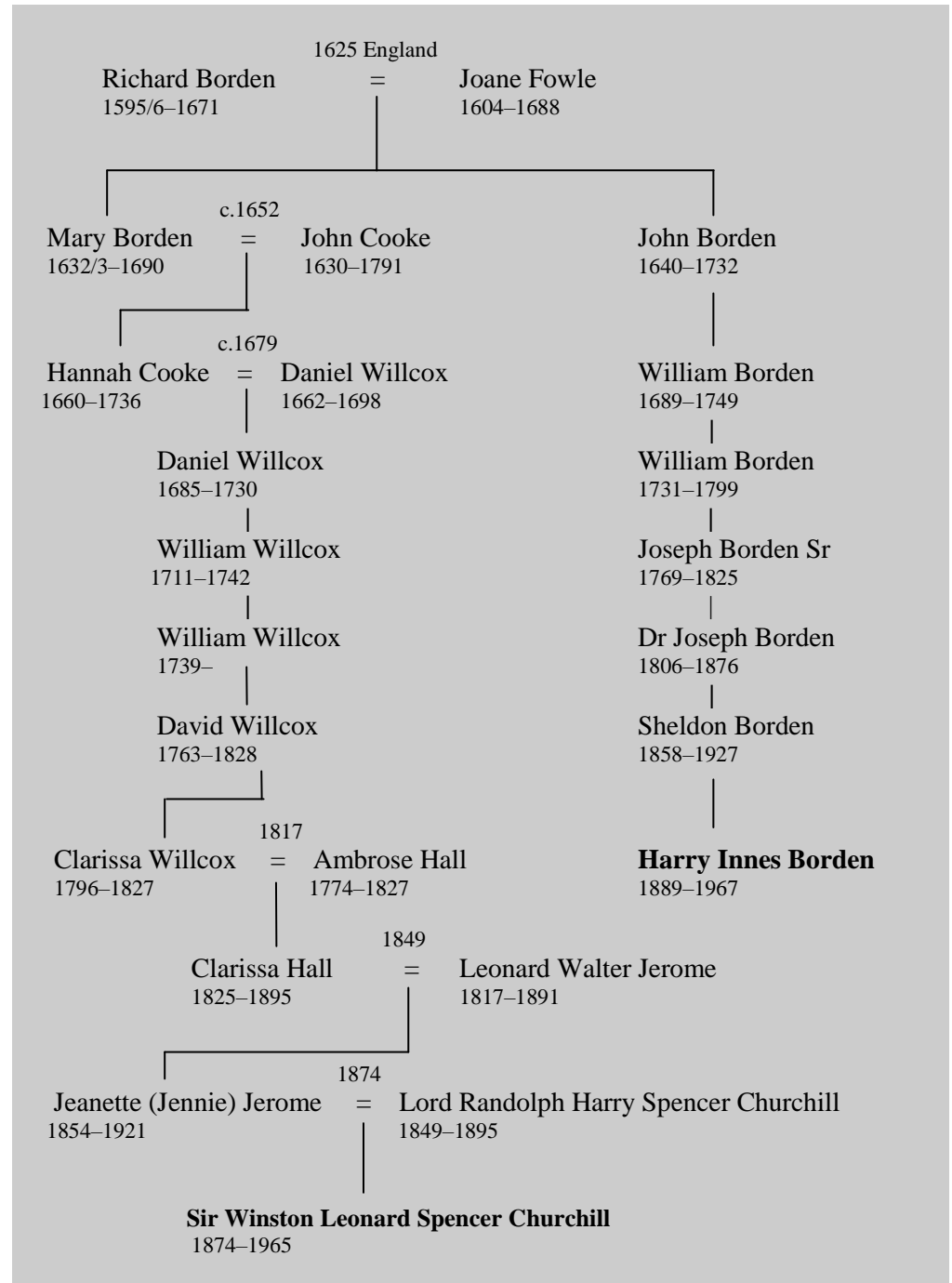
Love,
 Sally

V - MAIL

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT FORM NO. 1

Though John⁹ H. Saunders was seven years older than Sally Nell it appears they were playmates when growing up in San Francisco. The 1940 Census has Sally living with Fran and Harry Borden. In 1931 John migrated to Australia where he married and settled in Sydney. John's parents had divorced in 1925 and Fran married Harry Borden, Sallie Nell's father. Her mother, Sally Bonner Borden, married Bertrand Temple Raston. After America's entry into WWII following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour, John enlisted in the US Army and served in New Guinea.

Harry Innes Borden was distantly related to Sir Winston Churchill on his father's side as shown on the chart below:



25 January 1947

Al Capone, the ex-Chicago gangster and prohibition era crime leader **died** at his home on Palm Island, Miami, Florida aged 48. Sometimes known as 'Scarface' he remained immune from prosecution for his many murders but was eventually sent to jail for tax evasion. Capone was finally taken to Alcatraz which was the beginning of the end for America's 'Public Enemy Number One'.



Al Capone
1899–1947

On 13 September 1920 Harry Borden accepted an appointment in the Regular Army. It was probably three or four years later, around 1924, that Harry and Sally were divorced.

On 22 January 1927 Harry⁸ married Lillian Frances Saunders, née Chinn. Harry was a second cousin, twice removed to John⁸ Henry Saunders, Fran's first husband, whom she had divorced in 1925.

→ See Chapter 10 for Fran's married life with John⁸ Henry Saunders.

As a result of his problems with alcohol Harry was less than honorably discharged on 8 October 1928. Correspondence from the *Department of Veterans Affairs* in Philadelphia provided not only evidence of Harry's drinking problems but also his military service record and birth and death dates.

Character of Discharge:

Under other than honorable conditions.

Having been classified in Class B for causes due to his avoidable habits he was discharged under the provisions of Section 24b of the Act of Congress approved June 4, 1920.

After leaving the army Harry turned his hand to farming pheasants on the property he and Fran owned just outside San Francisco.

Harry Innes Borden died 4 May 1967 aged 77.

→ Harry's life with Fran, their subsequent divorce in 1948, his remarriage to Edythe Flora and his death in 1967 are covered later in this chapter.

- C. **Juliet⁸ Rhodes Borden** was born on 3 December 1892 in Los Angeles and was the youngest of Sheldon⁷ Borden and Margery⁵ Frances Burnett's children.

Juliet R. Borden
1910 Passport Application

In November 1910 at the age of 18 she made her debut when she was introduced to the Los Angeles society by her maternal grandmother, Margaret Couch Burnett, her mother having died a few years earlier in 1907.

This article appeared in the *Los Angeles Herald* on 4 November 1910:



Juliet's engagement to Lieutenant Irving Hall Mayfield was revealed in the *Los Angeles Examiner*, 3 May 1912, p. 3, cols. 2–3:

Formal Announcement Expected Today of Engagement to Lieut. Irving Mayfield



Rumor was busy yesterday with one of the most interesting bits of social gossip whispered in fashionable circles for many days, and while those most concerned preferred to wait until the formal announcement luncheon this afternoon by Mrs. Louis Tolhurst, it was not denied that the betrothal of Miss Juliet Borden, daughter of Sheldon Borden is to be made known by lunch time.

Rumor says again that cards bearing the name of the charming debutante also will show that of Lieutenant Irving Mayfield of the torpedo destroyer Whipple. The secret was to have been guarded carefully, but it escaped, as all good secrets are wont to do when confided to several nearest friends, and yet, nobody in particular is willing to claim responsibility for telling the pleasant news.

Miss Borden, who made her debut two seasons ago, is among the most beautiful young women of Los Angeles and her mother, the late Mrs Sheldon Borden, was considered a remarkably handsome woman.

A sister of Harry Borden, whose marriage to Miss Sally Bonner, niece of J. Ross and Senator W. A. Clark, took place a short while ago, Miss Borden has for years been the closest personal friend of the young woman who is now her brother's wife, and the two have been practically inseparable.

Mrs. Tolhurst, who before her marriage was Miss Jane Rollins, was a member of this same group of Debutants who were introduced the season that Miss Helen Taft, daughter of the President, entered Washington society.

Evening Tribune, San Diego, California, Thursday, 12 September 1912:

INVITATIONS recently issued to the wedding of Lieutenant Irving Hall Mayfield, U. S. N., to Miss Juliet Borden, will interest the society set of San Diego and Coronado.

The wedding will take place Wednesday evening, October 2, at St. John's Episcopal church, Los Angeles.

The event will be one of the most brilliant of the season and attended by a large and fashionable company. The bridal party will include some of the most attractive society buds in Los Angeles' select social set.

Mrs. Harry Borden, Miss Borden's sister-in-law, will be a matron of honor, and Mrs. Harry Ellis Collins, wife of Paymaster Collins of the navy will act in a similar capacity. She is a cousin of the bride.

Those chosen as bridesmaids are Miss Katherine Stearns, Miss Elizabeth Wood, Miss Florence Wood, Miss Katherine Johnson and Miss Virginia Walsh.

Lieutenant Thomas A. Symington is to attend Lieutenant Mayfield as best man, and the ushers, as well are to be representatives of the navy. They are Ensigns Vance D. Chapline and Smith, Lieutenants Charles F. Pousland and Jesse B. Oldendorf and Paymaster Henry Ellis Collins.

Lieutenant Mayfield and his bride will be guests this winter at Hotel del Coronado probably until next June.

Juliet Borden and Lt Irving Hall Mayfield, USN were married on the evening of Wednesday, 2 October 1912 at St John's Episcopal Church in Los Angeles.

The marriage was an important social event in Los Angeles and commanded a full page spread the following day in the society section of the *Los Angeles Examiner*, p. 6, cols. 1–7, which began as follows:

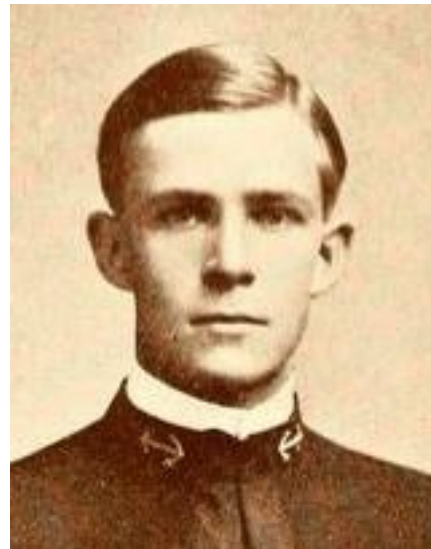
'Among the Swells and Belles'

by Cholly Angeleno

One of the most beautiful and winsome young woman ever wedded in Los Angeles, Miss Juliet Borden, daughter of Sheldon Borden, was married last evening to Lieutenant Irving Hall Mayfield U.S.N. ... Two hours before the time set for the wedding [9.o'clock] guests began to arrive at St. John's Episcopal Church, Adams and Figueroa streets, where the marriage took place.



*Juliet Borden
on her wedding day*



*Irving Hall Mayfield
1885–1963*

Juliet's husband, Irving Hall Mayfield, was born 1 August 1886 in Ruston, Louisiana. He went on to become a Rear Admiral in the United States Navy, retiring in November 1946.

12 April 1945

Franklin D. Roosevelt, the 32nd President of the United States, died in Warm Springs, Georgia. He had been in ill-health for some years and suffered from polio since a young man. Born 1882 in New York, he was the last President to run for three consecutive terms in office.



*Franklin D. Roosevelt
1882–1945*



The five bridesmaids

This article in the *Los Angeles Times* on 3 October 1912 featured a photograph the bride as well as the five bridesmaids which included the Matron of Honor, Mrs. Harry Innes Borden (third from left), the first wife of Juliet's brother and formerly Sally Bonner. There was also a detailed description of the wedding, the guests and the lavish reception at the home of her father Sheldon Borden at 2328 South Hope Street, Los Angeles.



*Juliet Borden Mayfield
1921 Passport Application*



*The San Diego Union, 3 October 1962
Rear Admiral Irving Hall Mayfield, USN, ret.,
and Mrs Mayfield celebrating their
golden wedding anniversary.*

Irving Hall Mayfield died on 22 October 1963 and was buried at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery, Point Loma, San Diego, California. An obituary was published in the *San Diego Union*, p. a22, cols. 1–2 the next day, giving a full account of his distinguished career in the navy:

I.H. Mayfield, Admiral, Dies

Rear Adm. Irving H. Mayfield, USN, ret., 78-year-old La Jolla decorated by Fleet



Adm. William F. Halsey for wartime service, died early yesterday of a heart ailment at his home. Mayfield, of 7753 Prospect Place, earned distinction as a precise and knowledgeable logistics planner during the South Pacific campaigns. One of two awards of the Legion of Merit came from Fleet Admiral Halsey, commanding Southwest Pacific Forces and later the famed 3rd Fleet.

Mayfield won a third Legion of Merit later as chief of the naval mission to Chile in 1945-46 for tact and leadership that fostered wartime cooperation. He earlier had been attached to the embassy in Chile from 1928 to 1931.

SUB SKIPPER

Mayfield relinquished command of Destroyer Squadron 3 in March, 1941, to report to Pearl Harbor as 14th Naval District intelligence officer. He was there when the Japanese struck and remained until May, 1943, when he joined the staff of the Southwest Pacific Force.

He was among the Navy's early submarine skippers,

commanding the C-4 based in Panama in 1915. He was a World War I inspector of machinery for O boats and earlier smaller submarines built on the West Coast and at Brooklyn Navy Yard.

After the first world war, Mayfield became one of the Navy's "Old China Hands" in command of the USS Rizal and the Mine Detachment of the Asiatic Fleet. He later commanded the gunboat Sacramento of the Asiatic Fleet.

Among his commands were the Salinas, a tanker, and the Tuscaloosa, a heavy cruiser. He was naval aide in 1937-38 to Secretary of the Navy Claude Swanson.

LOUISIANA NATIVE

In other assignments, Mayfield won the Order of Nichan-Ifikhar from the Bey of Tunis and the Commander of the Order of the British Empire for outstanding World War II service in New Zealand.

Mayfield was born Aug. 1, 1885, in Ruston, La. He attended Polytechnic Institute there and then entered the Naval Academy in 1903, graduating with the class of 1907. He retired Nov. 1, 1946, after his last assignment in Chile. He is survived by his widow, the former Juliet Borden of Los Angeles whom he married there in 1912; a sister, Mrs. S. W. Brown, Monroe, La., and two nieces, Mrs. Allan Sholaris and Mrs. W. H. D. Rodriguez, both of Monroe.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. tomorrow at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery. La Jolla Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Juliet Borden Mayfield died Thursday, 11 June 1970 at her home in La Jolla, California. She was 75 years old. She was also buried at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery alongside her husband.

The *San Diego Union* published an obituary on p. A-6, col. 4, two days later on Saturday, 13 June 1970:

Rites Planned Monday For Mrs. Mayfield

Graveside services for Mrs. Juliet Borden Mayfield, 75, who died Thursday at her home, 2358 Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, will be at 11 a.m. Monday in Ft. Rosecrans National Cemetery.

Mrs. Mayfield was the widow of retired Rear Adm. Irving Hall Mayfield, who died in 1963. The couple celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1962. A native of Los Angeles, Mrs. Mayfield had lived in La Jolla since 1949 and previously in Coronado.

Mrs. Mayfield was a member of La Jolla Beach and Tennis Club and the Navy Sponsor Society, of which she was a past president. The society consists of women who have christened Navy ships.

There is no immediate survivor. Memorial contributions to the Navy Sponsor Society or Scripps Memorial Hospital were suggested. La Jolla Mortuary has charge of the arrangements.



Irving and Juliet Mayfield's headstones at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery

Juliet and Irving Hall Mayfield do not appear to have had any children or if they did, they died young as neither Irving nor Juliet's obituaries make any mention of descendants.

Continuing with the children of Dr Joseph Borden and Juliet Elizabeth Rhodes ...

4. Ivey⁷ Lewis Borden was born 5 February 1864 in Marengo, Alabama and died 18 February 1949.

Ivey Lewis Borden
1920 Passport Application



Ivey Lewis Borden
1864–1949

He married Hettie Bell Thompson on 4 October 1888. She was born 1865 and died 1945. Their marriage was announced in the *Daily Alta California* on 7 October:

Weddings.
BORDEN-THOMPSON.
On Thursday evening last, at the residence of the bride's parents on Van Ness avenue, was solemnized the wedding of Miss Hettie Belle Thompson and Mr. Ivey L. Borden of Alameda.

They had one daughter:

- A. Hester⁸ Bell Borden who was born 14 January 1891 and died 30 July 1988. She married Harry Ellis Collins on 8 June 1909. Her engagement was announced in the *San Francisco Call* on 30 May 1909:

An engagement which has just been announced and one that will prove of particular interest in naval circles marks the happy culmination of the romance of Miss Hester Borden and Harry E. Collins, a paymaster in the navy.
Miss Borden is the daughter of I. L. Borden, a well known financial agent residing at 2500 Devisadero street. She is a niece of Mrs. Frank Thompson.
The wedding will take place on June 8.

5. Helen⁷ Anna Borden was born 6 May 1868. She married John O'Hara Cosgrave on 22 November 1898. He was born 4 July 1866 in Melbourne, Australia and died 19 September 1947. Her engagement was announced in the *Los Angeles Times* on 20 November and her marriage in the *San Francisco Call* on 23 November 1898:

**WILL BE AN
EDITOR'S BRIDE**
**Cosgrave-Borden Engage-
ment Announced — Hol-
brook Debutante Tea.**

An interesting engagement just made public is that of the well-known newspaper man, J. O'H. Cosgrave, editor of the Wave, and Miss Helen Borden, sister of Superior Judge Rhodes Borden. The wedding will take place on Tuesday next, November 22.

**SOCIETY EDITOR
TURNS BENEDICT**

J. O'Hara Cosgrave, the well-known newspaper man and editor of the society journal, the Wave, and Miss Helen Borden, sister of Superior Judge Rhodes Borden, were quietly married yesterday afternoon at the First Unitarian Church.
Only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties witnessed the ceremony, which was marked by a severe simplicity. There were no attendants. After the binding words were spoken the invited guests repaired to the Borden residence, where the health of the fortunate young couple was drunk in bumpers of sparkling wine.
Mr. and Mrs. Cosgrave left last evening for a short bridal trip, after which they will take up their residence in this city.

Helen and John O'Hara Cosgrove were subsequently divorced. Helen died of a suspected heart attack on 11 June 1931 while she was alone at home. Her obituary was published in a San Francisco newspaper. She was buried at Mountain View Cemetery, Oakland.

WOMAN AUTHOR DIES AT PHONE

Mrs. Helen Cosgrave Thought Victim of Heart Attack At Carmel Home

CARMEL, June 11.—Mrs. Helen Cosgrave, noted author and educator, and divorced wife of John O'Hara Cosgrave, former editor of a national magazine, was found dead in her bed today after police and a physician smashed their way into her home in response to a mysterious telephone call.

Mrs. Cosgrave had been living alone in Carmel, and seldom ventured outside her home because she was reported to be suffering from approaching blindness.

Her brother, Ivey L. Borden, 417 Montgomery street, San Francisco, millionaire proprietor of the Victoria Farms in the Sacramento delta, and owner of prize blooded horses and cattle, was summoned to Carmel by telephone following discovery of her body.

When police reached Mrs. Cosgrave's side, she lay in bed with a telephone gripped in her hands.

Shortly before dawn, Dr. John Heitlig was aroused from sleep by a telephone summons.

"I'M DYING" IS MESSAGE.

"I'm dying—come quickly; there is no time to lose," the voice of a woman said.

Dr. Heitlig attempted to learn the speaker's identity but his urgent inquiry was answered only by a gasp.

Dressing hastily, he summoned Chief of Police Gus Englund, and they traced the telephone call. It came from a home on Cananova street.

Chief Englund and Dr. Heitlig sped there and found every door and window barred. They broke down a door and went into the bedroom, where Mrs. Cosgrave lay. She had been dead only a few minutes.

In her left hand, Mrs. Cosgrave held the telephone receiver; in her right, the speaker.

VICTIM OF HEART, SAYS CORONER

Coroner W. J. Cornett expressed the belief Mrs. Cosgrave was the victim of a heart attack. The body was taken to Monterey, where an inquest and autopsy will be held.

Mrs. Cosgrave had been divorced a number of years ago from her husband, who has since remarried. In March, 1926, she visited Oakland as guest of the Oakland Forum, and spoke on "The Relation of Mother and Daughter."

She was the founder of a private school for girls in New York, and was the author of two books, "Mother and Daughter," and "Gardens." She lived in California before going to New York City, taking up residence at Carmel following her divorce.

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End of Borden Family

The Burnett–Douglass Connection

Information on the Burnett family was researched by professional researchers Deborah Moss Spurlock of New Albany, Indiana and Sharon Hodges of Alexandria, Virginia. Additional information was received from Michelle⁸ Trostler and her mother Margaret⁷ Milledge, both of California. They are descended from Sara Travilla Burnett (1854–1931), the sister of Alexander⁴ Sullivan Burnett Jr. (1842–1876). Handed down through the family was the Burnett Bible, originally owned by General Alexander³ Shields Burnett (1793–1884). The Bible contains hand-written entries over several generations of the births, deaths and marriages of various members of the Burnett family.

The Burnett Bible – Births:

- Alexander S. Burnett was born on the 17th day of March 1795
- Eliza Burnett Wife of Alexander S. Burnett was born on the 25th April 1807
- Elizabeth Burnett wife of A. S. Burnett was born on the 16th December 1807
- Margaret Ann wife of A. S. Burnett was born on the 25th day of Mar 1822
- George W. G. Burnett Son of Alexander and Eliza Burnett was born on the 25th day of February 1830
- Ellen Duane Daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth Burnett was born on 1st Sept 1834
- William Son of Alexander and Elizabeth Burnett was born on the 8th Jan^y 1836
- Alexander Sullivan, son of A. S. and M. A. Burnett was born at Madison, Indiana, the 29th day of September 1842
- Frances Elizabeth, daughter of A.S. and M. A. Burnett was born at Madison, Indiana the 12th day of June 1844.
- Charlotte Letitia, second daughter of A. S. and M A. Burnett was born at Madison, Indiana the 22nd day of July 1846
- Richardson Douglass, second son of A. S. & M. A. Burnett was born a Madison, Indiana the 7th day of July 1849
- Jeremiah Cutler, third son of A. S. & M. A. Burnett was born at New Albany, Indiana the 18th day of July 1851
- Sara Travilla, third daughter of A. S. & M. A. Burnett was born at New Albany, Indiana the 24th day of February 1854
- Margaret Lee Harwood, daughter of Wilson Franklin Harwood and Lee Lewis Harwood – born in Los Angeles, Cal. Aug 14, 1941
- Sara Franklin Harwood, daughter of Wilson Franklin Harwood and Lee Lewis Harwood – born in Washington D.C. Jan. 10 – 1944
- Lewis Franklin Harwood, son of Wilson Franklin Harwood and Lee Lewis Harwood born in Washington D.C. August 31- 1948
- Lawrence Harwood de Bivort, son of Hervey G. and Sara Franklin de Bivort, born in Berkeley, Cal. Oct 21st 1943
- Carlyle Franklin de Bivort, daughter of Hervey G. & Sara F. de Bivort, born in Montreal, Canada Jan 31-1946
- Margaret Spencer Wilson, daughter of Sara Travilla Burnett & Geo. S. Wilson was born at Madison Barracks, New York, on Sunday, Dec 9th 1883
- Wilson Franklin Harwood was born Dec 31-1912 in San Francisco
- Sara Franklin Harwood born Aug 9-1916

The Burnett Bible – Deaths:

- Eliza Burnett Wife of Alexander S. Burnett Died on the 6th day of December 1830
- Ellen Duane Daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth Burnett Died on the 20th July 1835
- William Son of Alexander and Elizabeth Burnett died on the 16th day of January 1836
- Elizabeth Burnett wife of A. S. Burnett Died on the 25th day of March 1837
- Geo. W. G. Burnett son of A. S. and Eliza Burnett died in Nicaragua on or about the 23rd Dec. 1857
- Alexander S. Burnett Jr, son of Alexander S. & M. A. Burnett, died at San Rafael, Cal, on June 22nd 1876
- Alexander S. Burnett, Sr., died Haywards, Cal, on Dec 9th, 1884
- Margaret A. Burnett widow of A. S. Burnett Sr, died in San Francisco on January 4th 1900

- Frances E. Burnett, daughter of Alexander Burnett and Margaret A. Burnett, died in San Francisco, Cal on April 2^d 1903
- Charlotte L. Jones, widow of Llewellyn Jones and daughter of Alex. S. & Margaret A. Burnett died at Tappan, N.Y. March 22, 1926
- Richardson Douglass Burnett son of Alexander & Margaret Burnett died at Fort Thomas, Kentucky on January 26th 1928
- Jeremiah Cutler Burnett, son of Alexander & Margaret Burnett died at the University of California Hospital at San Francisco, December 16th 1929
- Sara Travilla Wilson – widow of Major George Spencer Wilson, A.A.G., U.S. Army and daughter of Alex and Margaret Burnett died in San Francisco April 9th 1831

The Burnett Bible – Marriages:

- Alexander S. Burnett and Eliza Gamble were married on the 16th day of April 1829
- A. S. Burnett and Elizabeth Bache were married on the 3rd day of October 1833
- A. S. Burnett and Margaret Ann, eldest daughter of Judge Jeremiah Sullivan, were married on the 21st of Jan^y 1841 at Madison, Indiana
- Wilson Franklin Harwood married Lee Lewis in Winnetka, Illinois, Dec. 31 1938
- Sara Franklin Harwood married Hervey Ghislain de Bivort in San Francisco – August 18, 1939
- Margaret Spencer Wilson, daughter of Sara Burnett and George Wilson was married in San Francisco on the 24th day of Jan. 1906 by Rev. Clappett in Trinity Church to Franklin Bache Harwood
- **Alexander Sullivan (Burnett), oldest son of A. S. and M. A. Burnett was married to Miss Margery Couch Honey** on the 9th day of October 1865 in Beechworth, Victoria Australia, and returned to this country shortly after, to the great sorrow of afflicted relatives
 In the margin Alexander's mother wrote: *"Sorry that my dear son should have carried his joking propensity so far"*.
- Charlotte Letitia Burnett, second daughter of A. S. and M. A. Burnett, was married in San Francisco, California on the 25th day of April 1871, by Bishop Kip in Trinity Church to Col. Llewellyn Jones U.S.A.
- Sara Travilla Burnett, youngest daughter of A. S. & M. A. Burnett was married in San Francisco, Cal. On the 25th day of August 1881 by Rev. Dr. Beirs in Trinity Church to Lieut. Geo. Spencer Wilson, United States Army

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The Burnett family's connection to the Douglass family and subsequently the Saunders family resulted from the marriage of Sarah⁵ Douglass, eldest daughter of William⁴ Douglass and Hannah Travilla, to George² Burnett. Sarah, born 1773, was the sister of Hannah⁵ Travilla Douglass (1799–1872) who married David⁶ Saunders (1789–1869) in 1818.

There was an age difference of 26 years between the two sisters—Sarah was the first born and Hannah the last born of the twelve children of William and Hannah Douglass.

Another sister, Rachel⁵ Douglass (1778–1861), married the Rev. David English (1769–1850). Their descendants were the Tyron and Mengel Families of Kansas and Kentucky.

➔ See Chapter 7: The Douglass Family.

George² Burnett was the son of Alexander¹ Burnett and his wife Catherine, née Hardin. Both were born in Virginia. Catherine was born c.1755 in Fauquier, Virginia and died 1793. Alexander was said to have been killed by Indians in 1805 in Kentucky. Catherine was the daughter of Major John Hardin and Catherine, née Marr.

Major John Hardin was born 1710 in Northumberland County, Virginia and died 13 October 1789 in Kentucky. At the outbreak of the Revolutionary War he entered the Continental Army and joined the Eighth Pennsylvania Regiment. Major Hardin was also killed by Indians in 1792. His wife Catherine Marr was born 1711 in Stafford County, Virginia and died 1786 in Kentucky.



Alexander¹ Burnett and Catherine Hardin has two sons, George² and William². Researcher Sharon Hodges of Alexandria, Virginia sourced information on the marriages of George and William from *Kentucky Ancestors Vol.18, No.3; January 1983*. This source also detailed their children. Unfortunately the records in *Kentucky Ancestors* are short on many dates. The name Douglas has been recorded with only one "S". Additionally, the name Travilla has been spelt incorrectly.

1. George² Burnett was born c.1770 and died 1815. On 11 June 1789 he married Sarah⁵ Douglass in Berkeley County, Virginia, now West Virginia. (*Kentucky Ancestors: Geo Burnett married Sarah Douglas, dau of Wm. Douglas & Hannah Travilla*). They had six children:
 - A. William³ Burnett who died unmarried near Louisville or Cincinnati.
 - B. Elizabeth³ Burnett was born January 1789 and died 9 July 1863. She married Noah Pumphrey on 24 March 1818 in Indiana. He was born 4 June 1789 in Orange County, Virginia and died 13 June 1862 in Fayette County, Indiana. They had two children:
 - i. Sarah⁴ D. B. Pumphrey was born 7 December 1819 in Indiana.
 - ii. George⁴ William Burnett Pumphrey was born 18 March 1829 and died 19 March 1837.
 - C. **General Alexander³ Shields Burnett** was born 17 March 1795 in Charles Town Virginia, now West Virginia, and died 9 December 1884 in Hayward, California. → **More on Alexander Burnett further on.**
 - D. Mary³ Burnett died in Cincinnati and married a Mr. Young.
 - E. George³ Burnett was unmarried and died in Nashville, Tennessee.
 - F. Isaac³ Richardson Burnett was born 1812 and died 15 March 1846 in Detroit, Michigan. Isaac made application to the Military Academy, West Point in December 1826 aged 14 years and six months. He graduated in 1833 as a 2nd Lieutenant.
2. William² Burnett was born c.1772 and also died 3 February 1815. He married his sister-in-law, Mary⁵ Douglass, the sister of Sarah⁵ Douglass. She was born 17 January 1775 and died 1847. (*Ref: Kentucky Ancestors: Wm. Burnett, born 1776, died 3 Feb. 1815, married Mary Douglass, [17 Jan.1775–9 Dec. 1847], dau of Wm. Douglas & Hannah Trevilla.*) → **See Chapter 7: The Douglass Family**

William² Burnett and Mary⁵ Douglass had 10 children.

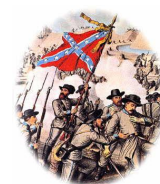
- A. Fannie³ Burnett.
- B. Sarah³ Douglass Burnett married James M. Hammond.
- C. Dr. William³ Burnett married Ann Jackson Hammond in June 1836. She was the aunt of Mary Mildred Hammond (1836–1933) who married Algernon Sydney Sullivan (1826–1887).
→ **See The Sullivan Family towards the end of this chapter.**

Dr. William³ Burnett died 12 December 1847 and his wife Ann died 3 January 1882. They are both buried in the Zion Episcopal Churchyard in Charles Town, West Virginia.



Dr. William³ Burnett and Ann Jackson Hammond had two children:

- i. William⁴ H. Burnett was born 1837 and died 12 May 1888. He enlisted in Company G, 2nd Virginia Infantry Regiment.
- ii. Corporal Thomas⁴ D. Burnett was born 10 September 1838 and was a druggist and farmer. He enlisted in Company G, 2nd Virginia Infantry Regiment on 18 April 1861. He died 10 March 1862.



Both William and Thomas are also buried in the Zion Episcopal Churchyard in Charles Town, West Virginia.

➔ See also Chapter 7:: The Douglass Family



Left Tombstone

Tho^s. D. Burnett
Co. G
2nd Va. Inf. C.S.A
Born Sep. 10, 1838
Died
March 10, 1862

Right Tombstone

W^m. H. Burnett
Born in
Charlestown
Va. 1837
Died
May 12, 1888

D. Catherine³ Hardin Burnett.

E. James³ Burnett.

F. Hannah³ Travilla Burnett was born 25 March 1804 in Virginia and died 13 June 1847 in Ohio. She married Sylvanus Griffith Moler on 17 May 1831 in Jefferson County, Virginia as his first wife. He was born 3 October 1800 and died 16 March 1858 and was the son of John Moler (1764–1807) and Sarah Griffith (1773–1830), Sylvanus later married Hannah's sister Julia – see below.

➔ See Chapter 7: The Douglass Family: Rachel Brown Jr (1793–1829)

Sylvanus Griffith Moler and Hannah³ Travilla Burnett had five children:

- i. William⁴ Burnett Moler was born 1833 in Jefferson County, Virginia and died 30 May 1898.
- ii. Sarah⁴ Griffith Moler was born 1 May 1834 in Springfield, Ohio and died 1 June 1894 in Maineville, Ohio. She married Francis Marion Meddock on 29 November 1850 in Kentucky. He was born 20 August 1828 in Ohio and died 21 May 1914.
- iii. Silva⁴ Jane Moler was born 1 June 1834 in Ohio. She married Abraham Shingledecker on 5 November 1868 in Ohio.
- iv. John⁴ Douglass Moler was born 8 July 1836 in Springfield, Ohio and died 19 November 1891. John was 10 years in the US military service and in the Civil War raised Company E of the 184th Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He married first Ella DuShane in July 1857. She was born 1841 in Pennsylvania and died 4 February 1880. They had two children:



- a. William⁵ Griffith Moler was born 1 October 1858 in Springfield, Ohio and died in Albermarle, Virginia.
- b. Harry⁵ Burnett Moler was born 10 June 1860 in Springfield, Ohio and died 19 March 1946 in Brownsville, Texas. He married Henrietta Elizabeth Holman in August 1884 in Florida. She was born 1863 in Ohio and died 19 March 1901. After Henrietta died, Harry married Helen 'Nellie' McCown. She was born 27 January 1863 in Texas and died 14 January 1938 of *breast cancer*. Nellie had been married twice before.

John married second to Millie Amelia Oakes on 30 December 1881 in Clark, Ohio. She was born 25 March 1854 and died 1 January 1944. They had three children all born in Springfield, Ohio:

- c. Julia⁵ Douglas Moler was born 8 February 1883 in Springfield, Ohio. She married John Salladay Heaume.
 - d. Mary⁵ Imogene Moler was born 29 August 1885 and died August 1973 in Covington, Kentucky.
 - e. Catherine⁵ Hardin Moler was born 29 September 1887.
- v. Mary⁴ Travilla Moler was born 27 October 1839 in Ohio and died 18 December 1918.

G. Thomas³ Pugh Burnett.

H. Julia³ Ann Burnett was born 1810 in Virginia. She married Sylvanus Griffith Moler as his 2nd wife on 3 September 1849 in Ohio. Sylvanus was first married to Julie's older sister Hannah³ Travilla Burnett.

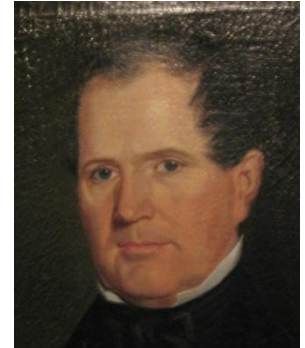
I. John³ Douglass Burnett.

J. Alexander³ George Burnett.

General Alexander³ Shields Burnett 1795–1884

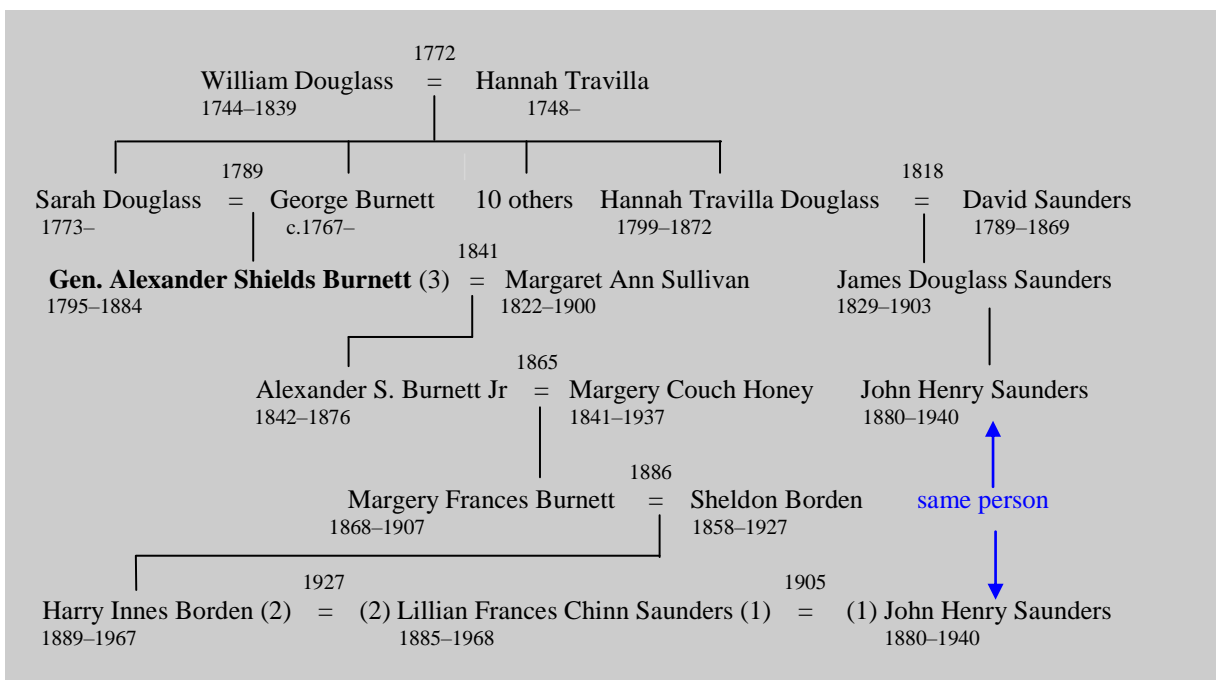
General Alexander³ Shields Burnett was born 17 March 1795 in Charles Town, Virginia. Much of the following on his life has been extracted from information provided by Deborah Spurlock, a professional researcher in New Albany, Indiana.

Alexander's youth was passed in Virginia on his father's farm. At the age of seventeen he volunteered for the **War of 1812** and saw action at Fort McHenry. After the war he engaged in business in Alexandria, Virginia for a short time then went to Cincinnati where he invested in produce which he took to New Orleans by flat boat. This venture was unsuccessful and returning up river he saw Albany, Indiana. He settled there in 1818.



Alexander Shields Burnett
1795–1884

In New Albany Alexander became a very successful merchant and in 1821 he was commissioned a colonel in the 28th Regiment of the Indiana Militia which he commanded for many years acquiring the title of General which preceded his full name throughout his life. A born politician, he served four terms in the Indiana House of Representatives from 1822 to 1827. In 1826 he entered local politics and was elected Sheriff of Floyd County for two years. The General was elected Mayor of New Albany in 1852, serving one term. In 1859 he was again elected Mayor and served two terms. He was connected with various financial institutions and was for some years President of the branch of the State Bank of New Albany and later the Merchants National Bank.



General Alexander³ Burnett was married first to Elizabeth (Eliza) Gamble on 16 April 1829 in New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana. She died eighteen months later on 5 December 1830.



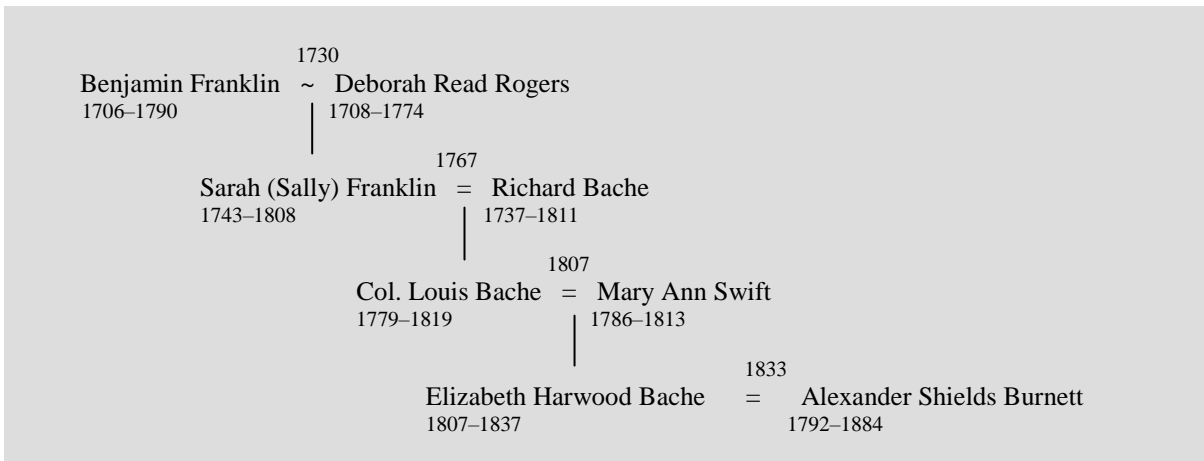
Floyd County, Indiana Marriage Records
Mar. 9, 1819 – Apr. 5, 1837

Alexander Burnett and Eliza Gamble had one son:

1. George⁴ W. G. Burnett was born 25 February 1830 and died on or about 23 December 1857 in Nicaragua. That was a time when the filibuster William Walker was making incursions into that country.

Alexander Burnett's second wife was Elizabeth Harwood Bache whom he married 3 October 1833 in New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana. She was born 16 December 1807 and was the daughter of Colonel Louis Bache and his second wife Mary Ann Swift. Mary Ann Swift was born 1786 and died 1813.

Elizabeth was the great granddaughter of Benjamin Franklin and his common-law wife Deborah Read Rogers:



Alexander Burnett and his second wife Elizabeth Bache had two children:

1. Ellen⁴ Duane Burnett was born 1 September 1834 and died 20 July 1835.
2. William⁴ Burnett was born 8 January 1836 and died 16 January 1836 aged just 8 days.

Elizabeth Bache died 25 March 1837 in New Albany of childbirth complications. Her death was reported in the *New Albany Gazette*, p. 3, col. 2, of 31 March:

DIED.—On Saturday evening last, Mrs.
ELIZABETH, consort of Gen. A. S. BUR-
NETT, in the 29th year of her age.

On 21 January 1841 General Alexander³ Burnett married for a third time to Margaret Ann Sullivan in Jefferson County, Indiana. The General was now 44 years old and his new bride was just 19. Margaret, who was born 25 March 1822 in Pennsylvania, was the daughter of Judge Jeremiah Sullivan (1794–1870) and his wife Charlotte, née Cutler (1798–1875).

➔ See **The Sullivan Family at end of this section**

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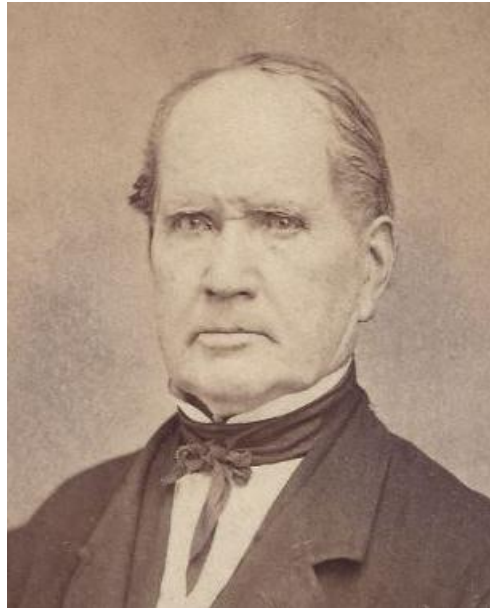
I do remember that on the 26 day of
January in the Year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and forty one the follo-
wing Marriage License was returned to this
State of Indiana
Jefferson County 33 To Any Person legally
authorised to solemnize the rites of Matrimony
this is therefore to license and Permit you
to join together in the holy state of Matrimony
= my
Alexander S. Burnett and Margaret Ann Sullivan
and for so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant,
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and the seal of the County aforesaid at
New Albany this 26 day of January 1841
J. M. Taylor CMC

And afterward, to wit the 18 day
of February 1841 the following Certificate
of Marriage was returned to this
State of Indiana
Jefferson County 33 I hereby certify that I did
on the 21 day of January 1841 join together as
Husband and wife Alexander S. Burnett and
Margaret Ann Sullivan. Given under my
hand this 18 day of February 1841
Wm. Sullivan

New Albany, Indiana
Marriage record for Alexander S. Burnett and Margaret Ann Sullivan
Dated 26 January 1841

General Alexander³ Shields Burnett died 9 December 1884 in Haywards, California. He was 89 years old. His death was reported in the *Oakland Evening Tribune*, p. 4, col. 2, the same day:

DEATHS.
BURNETT—At Haywards, December 9, A. S. Burnett, a native of Virginia, aged 89 years.



General Alexander Shields Burnett
1795–1884

The *New Albany Public Press*, p. 7, col. 4, in Indiana, published a notice of the General's death on Wednesday, 24 December 1884:

Alexander S. Burnett, a former prominent citizen of New Albany, who served two or three terms as Mayor of the city, died at his residence in San Francisco on the 9th of the present month. He was over 85 years old. He served two terms as Sheriff of Floyd county, and was widely known in this part of the state.

The *New Albany Ledger* published an obituary on Friday, 19 December 1884:

GEN. ALEX. S. BURNETT.

A Brief Sketch of the Life of
One of the Pioneers of
New Albany.

The *LEDGER*, on Wednesday, briefly announced the death of Gen. Alexander S. Burnett, a former citizen of New Albany, which occurred at his residence in San Francisco, California, December 9th. Gen. Burnett was 89 years old, being born on the 15th of March, 1795. From Hon. Augustus Bradley the *LEDGER* gathers the following facts in relation to deceased:

Gen. A. S. Burnett came to New Albany in 1830, and engaged in business. In 1824 he was elected to the Indiana Legislature, and attended the last session of that body that was held at Corydon, the old capital. He was elected sheriff of the county in 1826, serving two terms. During the last term he executed Lamb, the second man hung in Floyd county. Gen. Burnett had intended that his deputy should officiate at the execution, not desiring the unpleasant task, but Lamb sent for him on hearing this and made a strong personal appeal that Gen. Burnett himself perform the unpleasant duty. To make sure that the execution should pass without accident Gen. Burnett fastened one end of the rope to a joist in the rear of his store, suspending a barrel of whiskey from the other, in order that the rope might be stretched to its full tension, and this test of the rope continued for two weeks before the execution.

In 1832 Gen. Burnett was appointed postmaster at New Albany by Gen. Jackson, serving through Jackson and Van Buren's administrations. In 1841 he was removed by Gen. Harrison, but several months later reappointed by Tyler and served until President Polk entered upon his term, when Rev. Calvin Ruter was appointed in his stead.

In 1838 Gen. Burnett was the candidate for Lieutenant Governor with John Dumont, on the anti-internal improvement ticket. The ticket was defeated by Wallace and Hillis. In 1850 he ran as an independent candidate for Senatorial Delegate to the State Constitutional convention, but was defeated by Hon. P. M. Kent. He served three terms as Mayor of New Albany.

For many years Gen. Burnett was engaged in business in this city as a dry goods and general merchant, accumulating a handsome competence. He was personally an intimate friend of the late Hon. James Guthrie, of Kentucky, with whom he had many financial transactions. He was urged to stand for the Mayoralty on his two last terms by the citizens of New Albany irrespective of party and solely in the interest of economical administration. He found the city treasury empty, city orders greatly depreciated and taxes high. After four years he retired from the office, leaving a full treasury, city orders at par, and taxes reduced to 60 cents on the one hundred dollars valuation.

In October, 1869, Gen. Burnett changed his residence from New Albany to San Francisco. This he did, chiefly, in the belief that his health would be improved, his life prolonged, and his financial interests bettered. He lived to a ripe old age, and his memory will long be cherished by his old friends at New Albany.

General Alexander³ Shields Burnett's wife Margaret Ann, née Sullivan died 4 January 1900 aged 77. Her death was reported in the *San Francisco Call* on 7 January 1900:

BURNETT—In this city, January 4, 1900, Margaret A. Burnett, widow of the late A. S. Burnett, aged 77 years.
Funeral services at her late residence, 1450 Franklin street, this (Sunday) afternoon, at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

General Alexander³ S. Burnett and his third wife Margaret Ann Sullivan produced six children:

1. **Alexander⁴ Sullivan Burnett** was born 29 September 1842. On 7th of June 1861 aged 19 he volunteered for the Union Army in the Civil War where he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the 15th Indiana Regiment. However, he served only a few months when he resigned due to ill health. The following year he was appointed private secretary to Commander Ellet of the Ram Fleet for the Lower Mississippi. He wrote letters to the *Daily Ledger* in New Albany about the action around Vicksburg. After four months he came home on sick furlough and was honorably discharged.



Alexander Sullivan Burnett
1842–1876

Back in Indiana Alexander held a responsible position with the Merchant's National Bank, probably secured by his father who was the bank's president for some years. About 1863 or 1864 Alexander travelled to Australia and on 9 October 1865, aged 23, he married Margery Couch Honey in the country town of Beechworth, Victoria. Beechworth is about 220 km (137 miles) from Melbourne. In 1865 it would have taken several days by horse and carriage on dirt roads to get there. Margery may have been a governess to the children of some landed gentry or perhaps a domestic in the household. But perhaps she was neither of those as her occupation on the marriage record says she was a milliner.



Margery Couch Honey
1840–1937

Victorian Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Australia – Record of marriage between Alexander Sullivan Burnett and Marjory Couch Honey:

190.	On the 9 th October 1865.	Alexander Sullivan Burnett,	Bachelor	--	--	Madison Indiana United States
	At the house of	Margery Couch Honey,	Spinster	--	--	Wooler Cornwall Eng Land
		Beechworth				

I Alexander S Burnett do hereby declare that I am a Bachelor of the Presbyterian Church (nearest Church, Religious Society, or Denomination, as the case may be) Married in the presence of Beechworth, on the 9th October 1865.

↑ Left hand side

Right hand side ↓

Lady in Clerk	2 5	Beechworth	Beechworth	Alexander Burnett	Bachelor
Miller	2 4	Beechworth	Beechworth	Margaret Sullivan	Miller
				Margery Honey	
				Margaret Couch	

This Marriage was solemnized between Alexander S. Burnett and Margery C Honey in the presence of Beth Simpson and Janet S. Seacrest. According to the forms of the Presbyterian Church. By (or before) me John H. Macmillan, Officiating Minister, or Deputy Registrar.

The *Ovens and Murray Advertiser* in Beechworth, Victoria, dated 23 November 1865 carried an announcement of the marriage:

MARRIAGES

BURNETT-HONEY - At Beechworth, on Monday, the 9th October, by the Rev. J. K. Macmillan, Mr. Alex S. Burnett, of New Albany, Indiana, USA, to Miss Margery Couch Honey, niece of Mrs John Hunt of Bowman's Forest.

Margery was born in St Newman, Cornwall, England on 21 December 1840 and arrived in Port Philip Bay, Victoria, Australia on 20 October 1861 on the ship *Kaffirland*. She was the daughter of Joseph Honey (1803–1881) and Margery Couch (1811–1866). On board the same vessel was Thomas Honey, born 1837, who is probably related, possibly a cousin.

Also on board the *Kaffirland* was Margery's older sister Frances Couch Honey who was born in 1834. She married John Stephen Roberts on 2 May 1866 at Rutherglen, Victoria. He died 14 August 1912 and was buried at Healesville Cemetery. Frances died five days later on 19 August 1912.

Following their marriage Alexander took his wife to England where their first child was born:

- A. **Alexander⁵ Sullivan Burnett Jr.** was born 20 July 1866 and was baptized 30 September 1866. He died the following year on 30 April 1867.

After their infant son's death, Alexander and Margery left for America and settled in his home town New Albany, Indiana where their two daughters were born. Around 1874 he relocated to San Francisco with his wife and daughters, hoping California's climate would be beneficial to his health.

- B. **Margery⁵** (or Margaret) **Frances Burnett** was born 5 November 1868 in Indiana and died 25 August 1907. Ref: Evergreen Cemetery, Los Angeles, tombstone inscription: *BORDEN, In memory of Margery Frances, beloved wife of Sheldon Borden, daughter of Alexander S. and Margery C. Burnett, born Nov. 5, 1868, died. Aug. 25, 1907. A Brave, cheerful, generous, high-souled, noble woman.*

On 2 February 1886 she married Sheldon Borden in San Francisco.

➔ See [The Borden Family](#), this chapter

- C. **Charlotte⁵ Llewellyn Burnett** was born 1872 in Indiana. She married Lieutenant Edward Thomas Winston on 10 January 1894. He was born 1864 in Tennessee.

The following announcement appeared in the *Los Angeles Times* on the 10th of January 1894:

License to Wed

Lieut. Edward T. Winston, U.S.A., a native of Tennessee, 30 years of age, of Fort Townsend, Wash., to Charlotte L. Burnett, a native of Indiana, 22 years of age, of this city.

Charlotte⁵ Llewellyn Burnett and Edward Winston had one daughter:

- i. Charlotte⁶ Margery Winston was born 3 December 1894 in Washington State and died 19 March 1980 in San Diego, California. She never married.

She was featured in an article in the social columns of the *Los Angeles Herald* on 12 February 1917:



Miss Charlotte Winston, attractive young society belle, who left this morning for an extended visit with relatives and friends in the east.

Charlotte Margery Winston
1894–1980

Charlotte⁵ Burnett Winston died 21 December 1894 of *septicemia* probably as a result of childbirth complications following the birth of her daughter 18 days earlier. Her death was reported in the *Los Angeles Herald* on 29 December:

Intelligence of the death at Vancouver Barracks, Washington, of Mrs. Winston, wife of Lieutenant Edward Winston, U. S. A., has been received in this city. The lady is a granddaughter of Mrs. Alexander S. Burnett of this city and the late General Burnett. She was married only a year ago.

About 1905 Edward Winston married 2nd to Carol D. Hunt. They had two children: Edward Jr. born 1907 and Adlyn, born 1910.

Lt. Colonel Edward T. Winston, Retired U.S.A., died 16 February 1923 in Atlanta, Georgia. His remains were taken to Virginia where they were interred in Arlington National Cemetery.

After Edward died his 2nd wife Carol married William R. Dample and they lived in New York.



Alexander⁴ Sullivan Burnett died 19 June 1876 in San Rafael of *consumption* contracted from a cold caught during his service with the **Union Army** during the Civil War. He was 34 years old. His death was reported in the *San Francisco Morning Call*, the following day:



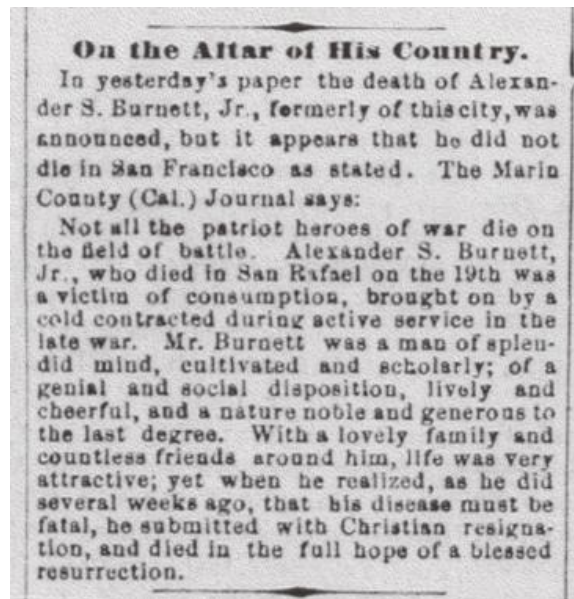
BURNETT—In San Rafael, June 19th, Alexander S. Burnett, Jr., eldest child of General and Mrs. A. S. Burnett, of Indiana.

The *Daily Ledger-Standard* in New Albany, Indiana, p. 4, col. C3, published an obituary on the evening of Thursday, 29 June 1876:

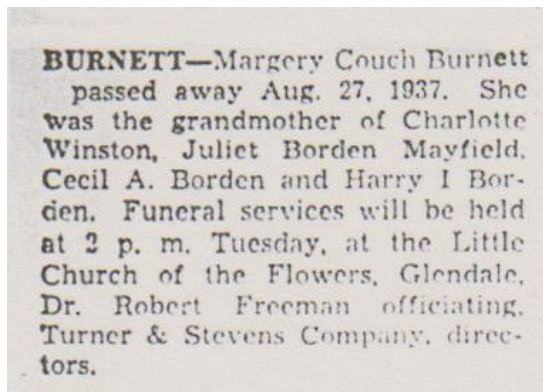
Death of A. S. Burnett, Jr.

Intelligence has been received by letter from San Francisco, California, to parties here that Alexander S. Burnett died in that city on the 20th of this month, after a long illness. Mr. B., with his family, a wife and two children, left this city about two years ago, with the hope that the climate of the Pacific coast would be beneficial to his health, which at time was very delicate. Since his residence in California, we understand his health had declined very rapidly and for many months he had been a hopeless invalid. His disease was consumption. Deceased was born in this city about thirty five years ago, and he was a resident of New Albany all his life until his departure for California. For some time he was connected with the Merchants' National Bank of this city, and was considered one of the most efficient clerks in the city. After locating at San Francisco, he was connected with a banking institution we understand, and remained at his post as long as his health would permit. We presume his remains will not be brought to this city for interment.

On 1 July 1876 the same paper, p. 4, col. 5, reproduced an obituary which had been printed in the *Marin Journal* of San Rafael, California, on Thursday, 22 June 1876:



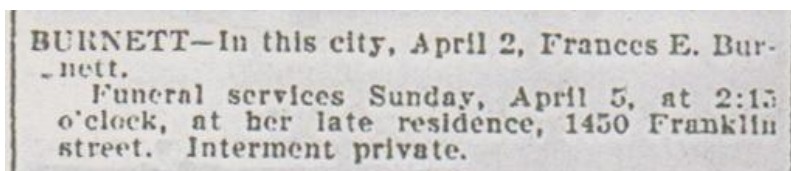
Alexander's wife, Margery Couch Burnett, née Honey, died 27 August 1937 in Pasadena at the advanced age of 97. She had been living with her unmarried granddaughter Charlotte Winston at the time of her death. Her passing was reported in the *Pasadena Star-News* in 30 August 1937:



Margery Couch Honey Burnett
1840–1937

Continuing with the children of General Alexander³ S. Burnett and Margaret Ann Sullivan:

2. Frances⁴ Elizabeth 'Fannie' Burnett was born 12 June 1844. She never married. She appears in the 1900 Census, aged 46 and single, living with her two brothers Jeremiah and Douglass, her widowed sister, Sarah Wilson and her niece Margaret Spencer Wilson. Frances died in San Francisco on 2 April 1903. Her death was reported in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on 4 April:



Frances E. Burnett
1844–1903

3. Charlotte⁴ Letitia Burnett was born 22 July 1846. She is reported to have had a superb operatic singing voice. On 25 April 1871 she married Col. Llewellyn Jones, U.S.A. at Trinity Church, San Francisco. A Civil War veteran of the Union Army, he was born 10 January 1810 in New York.

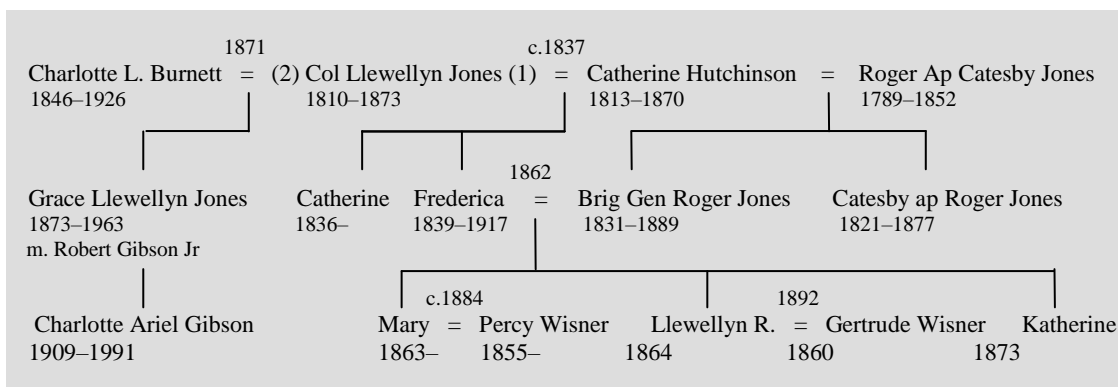


Their marriage was announced in the *Daily Alta California* the next day:

In this city, April 25th, at Trinity Church, by Right Rev. Bishop Kip, Col. Llewellyn Jones, U. S. A., to Miss Charlotte L. Burnett, daughter of Gen. A. S. Burnett, of New Albany, Indiana.

He was 36 years older than Charlotte and had been previously married to Catherine Hutchinson who was born 1813 and died 8 March 1870. Catherine was buried at Oak Hill Cemetery in Washington DC.

Charlotte L. Jones
Signature in 1906



Note: No evidence has been located to establish any relationship between Colonel Llewellyn Jones and Major General Roger ap Catesby Jones.

Colonel Llewellyn and his first wife, Catherine Hutchinson, had two children:

- A. Catherine L. Jones was born 1836.
- B. Frederica B. Jones was born 10 March 1839 in New York and died 11 June 1917 in the District of Columbia. She married Brigadier General Roger Jones, U.S.A. (no relation) about 1882. He was born on the 25th of February 1831 in Washington DC and died 26 January 1889. He was the son of Major General Roger ap Catesby Jones (1789–1852) and Mary Ann Page (c.1796–1873). The ‘ap’ in the name is a Welsh *patronymic* meaning ‘son of ‘.



*Major General
Roger ap Catesby Jones
1789–1852*



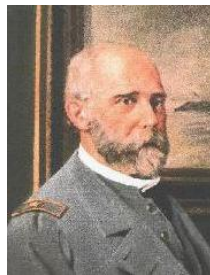
*Brigadier General
Roger Jones
1831–1889*



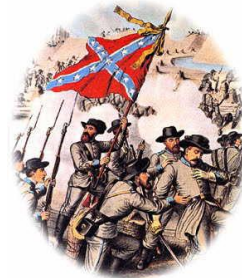
Frederica B Jones

*Frederica B. Jones
1894 Passport Application*

As happened with so many families during the Civil War, Roger was a Union Officer and his older brother Catesby ap Roger Jones, fought on the opposite side. Catesby was a Confederate Navy Commander. He was born 15 April 1821 and lived in Alabama after the Civil War. On 20 June 1877 he was shot and killed by another man as a result of a feud between his son and another man's son.



*Commander
Catesby ap Roger Jones
1821–1877*



Brig. General Roger Jones and his 1st wife Frederica Jones had three children:

- i. Mary Campbell Jones was born 7 October 1862 and died 5 November 1945. She married Percy Wisner about 1884. He was born 2 June 1853 in New York and died 21 December 1933 in Washington DC.

Mary Campbell Jones Wisner

*Mary Campbell Jones Wisner
1919 Passport Witness*

Percy Wisner

*Percy Wisner
1891 Passport Application*

Mary and Percy Wisner had two children:

- a. Catherine H. Wisner was born in 1884.
- b. Roger W. Wisner was born 13 May 1893 in New York and died 1 March 1946. He married Ruth J. Lawrence in 1919. She was born 1896 in Canada.

Roger Wisner
WWII Draft Registration Card

Roger and Ruth Wisner had one daughter:

- (i) Anne Wisner was born 3 December 1919 in New York and died 6 March 2007.
- ii. Llewellyn ap Roger Jones was born 12 October 1863 and died 16 July 1939. On 19 April 1892 in New York he married Gertrude Wisner, the sister of Percy who married Mary Campbell Jones. Gertrude was born 22 August 1860 in New York and died before 1940. Their marriage was announced in the *New York Times* on Wednesday, 13 April 1892:

The wedding of Miss Gertrude Wisner, daughter of Percy Wisner, of No. 50 West Eleventh-st., to Llewellyn Ap Roger Jones will take place at St. Ann's Church, in West Eighteenth-st., near Fifth-ave., on April 20. A wedding breakfast will follow at the bride's home.

Llewellyn R. Jones
1919 Passport Application

Gertrude Wisner
1892 Passport Application



Llewellyn ap Roger Jones
1863–1939

Llewellyn and Gertrude had two children:

- a. Elizabeth Dilworth Jones was born in November 1893 in New York and died 6 December 1982 in Washington DC. She married Lieut. Breckenridge Atwater Day, U.S.A., on 7 July 1917 in Calvary Church, Summit, New Jersey. He was born 15 May 1891 in St Louis, Missouri and died 7 December 1953.

Breckenridge A. Day
WWI Draft Registration Card

Both Elizabeth Dilworth Jones and Breckenridge Atwater Day were buried at Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia.



b. Roger Jones was born 16 October 1895 in New York.

iii. Katherine Lee Jones was born 13 September 1873 in San Francisco and died 19 August 1957 in Washington DC.

Katherine Lee Jones
1922 Passport Application

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Colonel Llewellyn Jones died 17 July 1873 in Paris, France of *pneumonia*, just two years after his marriage to Charlotte Burnett. This was the same year that his daughter Grace was born. His body was brought back to Washington, DC where it was interred at Oak Hill Cemetery alongside his first wife's grave.


In 1925 Charlotte⁴ Leticia Burnett Jones, Colonel Llewellyn Jones's second wife, was living with her daughter Grace⁵ and her husband Robert Gibson Jr. in Orangetown, Rockland, New York. She died the following year on 22 March 1926 and was buried at Oak Hill Cemetery with her husband.



Llewellyn Jones and Charlotte L. Burnett
Lot 880, Oak Hill Cemetery

Charlotte⁴ Leticia Burnett and Col. Llewellyn Jones had one daughter:

- A. Grace⁵ Llewellyn Jones was born in 1873 in France. She would never have known her father who died the same year she was born. Grace was a talented amateur actress, linguist and author of short stories.

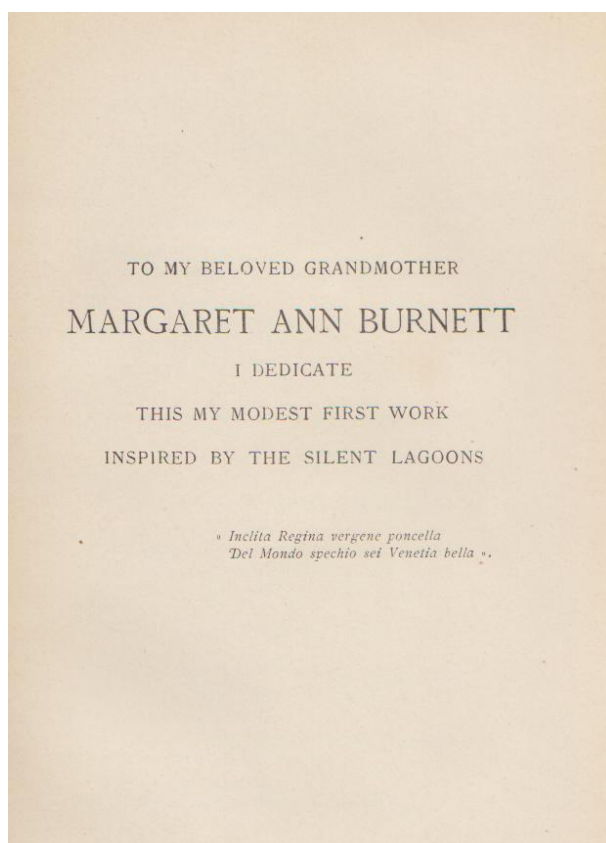
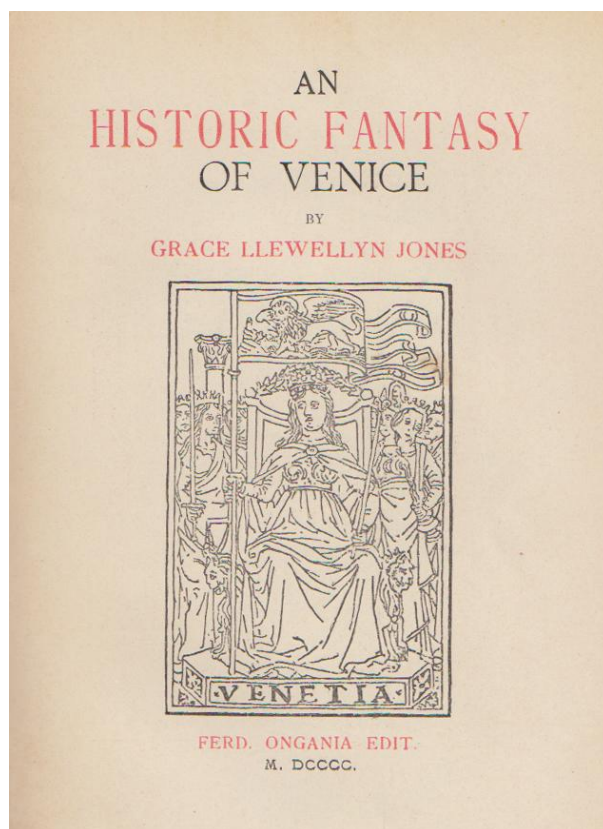


Grace Llewellyn Jones
Signature in 1906



'The New Kitten'
and Grace Llewellyn Jones
Painted by Vittorio Matteo Corcos, c.1895

Grace⁵ Llewellyn Jones's first novel was titled *An Historic Fantasy of Venice* written about 1900. She dedicated the book to her grandmother Margaret Ann Burnett, née Sullivan.



Part of a large feature article in the *San Francisco Call*, 3 October 1903:

BERKELEY, Oct. 2.—Miss Grace Llewellyn Jones is cast for the part of Phedre in Racine's great tragedy, which is to be presented in the new Greek Theater to-morrow afternoon by the students in French at the University of California. Miss Jones is an accomplished young woman and a graduate student in French and Italian. She has traveled widely and while in Italy several years ago she sat for a picture that was afterward hung in the salon at Venice. This picture has been extensively copied.



Grace Llewellyn Jones,
1873–1963
c.1903

In July 1908 Grace became engaged to Robert Gibson Jr., a prominent New York attorney. The announcement of their pending marriage created a flurry of activity in the social columns of newspapers in California and elsewhere including the *San Francisco Call* on 13 July 1908 shown in part below:

**AMATEUR ACTRESS
ABANDONS CAREER**

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**Miss Grace Llewellyn Jones to
Marry New York Attorney
at Trinity Church**

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Miss Grace Llewellyn Jones, one of San Francisco's cleverest young women and well known here and abroad as a keen dramatic student and literateuse, will be married to Robert Gibson Jr., a New York lawyer, August 15, invitations to that effect having been sent out yesterday.



Miss Grace Llewellyn Jones



Robert Gibson Jr.
1868–1950



Grace Llewellyn Gibson
née Jones
1873–1963

The New York Times on 16 July 1908 printed an article about the marriage:

GIBSON-JONES MARRIAGE.

San Francisco Girl to Wed Young New York Lawyer on Aug. 15.

Invitations are out for the wedding on Aug. 15 of Miss Grace Llewellyn Jones, daughter of the late Col. Llewellyn Jones, U. S. A., and Mrs. Jones, of San Francisco, to Robert Gibson, Jr., a young lawyer of this city.

Miss Jones is a grandniece of the late Algernon S. Sullivan of Sullivan & Cromwell, and niece of Commander J. C. Burnett, U. S. N. She is an accomplished linguist and has lived abroad a great deal of her life. She has written short stories. She is prominent in society in San Francisco, where she has appeared in amateur theatricals.

Mr. Gibson is a Georgian, but has practiced law in New York since 1892. He was graduated from Columbia College, and is a member of the Ardsley Club, the Bar Association, the Southern Society, and the New York Athletic Club. William Gibson of Dallas, Texas, his brother, will be his best man.

Mr. and Mrs. Gibson will be at home after the first of November at 108 East Fifty-second Street.

The following article appeared in the social columns of the *San Francisco Call* on 21 July 1908:

The Insider

Relates how Grace Llewellyn Jones decides to abandon "career" she extolled to become the wife of Robert Gibson Jr. and settle down

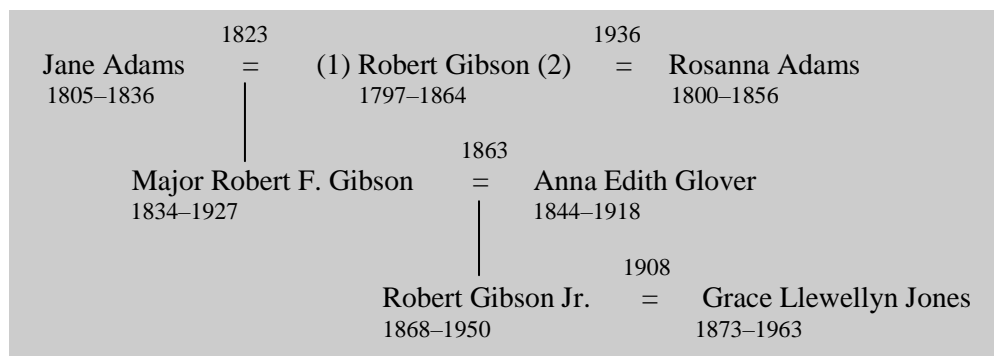
Matrimony Allures More Than Career

THE friends of Miss Grace Llewellyn Jones, I am told, consider it a very prosaic thing for that clever young woman to decide upon marriage instead of a career. More surprising even than the announcement of her wedding day was the news that after the honeymoon trip she will settle down with her husband, Robert Gibson Jr., in that plain American metropolis, New York. In the ante-earthquake days, when Miss Jones acted "Phedre" in the original and read from the Italian classics for the pleasure of her fellow members of Professor Ventura's polyglot club, she invariably extolled a "career" beyond dull matrimony and domesticity and Italy as the land of the heart's desire.

Miss Llewellyn Jones and her mother know their Italy as most of us knew our Market street before the fire. During their long residence in the country of Petrarch, Dante and Boccaccio they occupied a residence of historic note, pointed out by guides to the tourists as is pointed out the erstwhile home of the Brownings. The palace occupied by Mrs. Jones and her mother had once been the home of John Sebastian Cabot.

Think of a young bride of poetic fancy who had once lived in an historic Venetian palazzo and used a picturesque gondola for her shopping excursions settling down in gay New York, a few blocks from the great white way and traveling in a commonplace motor car, the elevated or the subway! It is a picture the friends of the young woman find hard to reconcile with her former conception of happiness.

The Gibson Family



Robert Gibson Jr. was born 22 October 1868 in Marietta, Georgia and is the third succeeding generation in America with the first name Robert.

His grandfather, Robert Gibson, was born 20 March 1797 in Strabane, Tyrone County, Northern Ireland and died 10 May 1864 in Nashville, Tennessee.

He arrived in America in 1817 and settled in Tennessee where he married Jane Adams on 18 November 1823. She was born 1805 also in Strabane, Ireland and died 21 September 1836 in Tennessee following *childbirth complications*. Soon after Jane died, Robert married her older sister Rosanna on 11 November 1836 with whom he had three more children.



Robert Gibson
1797-1864



Jane Adams
1805-1836

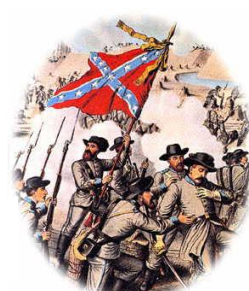
With his first wife Jane Adams, Robert had six children, amongst whom was Major Robert F. Gibson who was born 31 July 1834 in Nashville, Tennessee and died 2 June 1927 in Dallas, Texas.

At the commencement of the Civil War Robert enlisted in Company E, Texas 10th Cavalry Regiment.

Major Robert F. Gibson married Anna Edith Annie Glover on 1 September 1863 at Glover Plantation, Marietta, Georgia. They had ten children including twins who appear to have died at birth or soon afterwards.



Major Robert F. Gibson
1834-1927



Their fifth-born child was Robert Gibson Jr. He married Grace⁵ Llewellyn Jones in San Francisco on 15 August 1908.

Grace⁵ Llewellyn Jones and Robert Gibson Jr. were married on 15 August 1908 at Trinity Church in San Francisco. Their marriage was announced in the *San Francisco Call* on 15 August 1908:

**MARRIED AMID A
WEALTH OF BLOOM**

**Miss Grace Llewellyn Jones and
Robert Gibson Are United
in Trinity Church**

Trinity church was fragrant with masses of summer lilies yesterday and echoed through all its big arches to the solemn chords of the organ, when about 200 society folk gathered there to witness the wedding of Miss Grace Llewellyn Jones and Robert Gibson. The edifice had been literally lined with tall woodwardia ferns for the event, and these and the handsome gowns of the women made a brilliant ensemble. Before the arrival of the wedding party Elsa's lovely song from "Tanhauser" was exquisitely sung, the chords merging themselves at high noon into the splendid opening of the wedding march as the bride entered the church on the arm of her uncle, Captain J. C. Burnett. She was unattended. Her gown was an exquisite creation of ivory satin, the waist made in heavy severe folds and the long train and high collar being trimmed with exquisite lace. She carried an ivory bound prayer book. Mrs. Jones wore a handsome gown of violet silk gauze tucked over violet silk and hand embroidered in purple.

Mrs. Franklin Harwood, with Miss Juliet Borden of Los Angeles, preceded the bride, who is their cousin. Mrs. Harwood wore her own wedding gown of heavy white satin. Miss Borden wore a dainty Dolly Varden frock of pale blue illusion and a daisy trimmed hat. William Gibson attended his brother as best man.



*Mrs. Robert Gibson Jr., who was
Grace Llewellyn Jones from a painting
by Corcas*

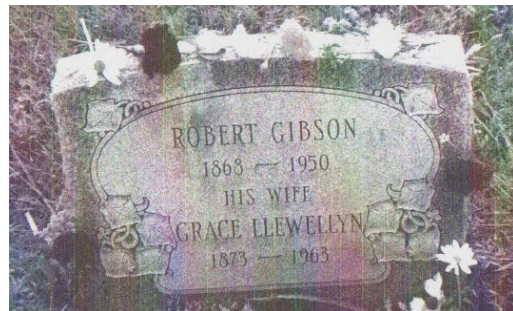
After the ceremony, which was solemnized by Bishop William Nichols, another voluntary was played on the organ, and the bride and bridegroom had only a few minutes for an informal reception in the doorway of the church before leaving for the home of an old friend in this city, where an informal wedding breakfast had been prepared for the relatives only. They left last night for their honeymoon in the high Sierras and will return to town early in September for a few days' stay. Their new home will be made in New York.

Among those present yesterday were:

Mrs. M. A. Tobin	Mrs. J. E. Wilson
Mrs. Albert Houston	Mrs. Franklin Harwood
Miss Ardella Mills	Miss Anna F. Briggs
Miss Elizabeth Mills	Mrs. F. P. Lemon
Miss Hamlin	Mrs. Wardwell
Mrs. Henry St. Goar	Miss Octavia Holden
Miss Ernestine St. Goar	Miss Milward Holden
Mrs. Ernest Simpson	Mrs. Henry Payot
Miss Fernanda Pratt	Mrs. Harry F. Davis
Mrs. Frederick Woods	Miss Maye Colburn
Miss Lottie Woods	Mrs. Hitchcock
Miss Dorothy Woods	Miss Margarita May
Mrs. Harry Williar	Mrs. Emmet Rixford
Mrs. James Goewy	Mrs. C. R. Johnson
Mrs. B. F. Norris	Miss Hamlin
Miss Laura Morgan	Miss Maude Wheeler
Mrs. Jesse Lillienthal	Mrs. Jean Sinclair
Mrs. Allyne	William Goldsborough

Grace⁵ Llewellyn Gibson died 10 January 1963 in Orangetown, Rockland, New York. No death notice or obituary has been located.

Robert Gibson died in 1950. His exact date of death has not been found. No death notice or obituary has been located.



Tappan Cemetery, Tappan, New York

Grace⁵ Llewellyn Jones and Robert Gibson Jr. had one daughter.

- i. Charlotte⁶ Ariel Gibson was born 26 May 1909 in Tappan, New York. Her birth was announced in the *San Francisco Chronicle* some months later on 4 September 1909:

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gibson (Grace Llewellyn Jones) have been advised of the birth of a daughter. Since the wedding, a year ago, the home of Mr. Gibson and his bride has been in New York.



Charlotte Ariel Gibson
1909–1991

Though described in the media as a ‘society girl’ she was brought up very strictly and had a sheltered, protected upbringing.

When she was about 23 her father engaged an English riding instructor for her by the name of Sidney Homewood. They exhibited at horse shows and were always well chaperoned. However, Charlotte succumbed to Homewood’s charms and an affair commenced. This led to Charlotte becoming pregnant following their going out alone together at night on the 1st of March 1932.

On that same eventful night in nearby New Jersey ...

1 March 1932

Charles Lindbergh Jr., the 20-month-old son of the famous aviator, was abducted from the family home in New Jersey. Two months later his body was discovered nearby with a massive skull fracture. Over two years later Bruno Hauptmann, pictured, was charged with the murder, found guilty and executed.



Bruno Hauptmann
1899–1936

Shocked to learn that his daughter was pregnant, Charlotte’s stern father, the attorney Robert Gibson Jr., commenced prosecution against Homewood for seducing his daughter and making false promises of marriage. Homewood was convicted, fined \$500 and sentenced to from one and a half to three years in Sing Sing prison.

The trial of Sidney Homewood and the subsequent birth and death of the child was reported in newspapers throughout the United States and was even reported in *Time Magazine* in its issue of the 19th of December, 1932.



Sidney H. Homewood
1908–1995

Sing Sing Prison 1932 Admission Register

The Boston Herald, Massachusetts, Thursday 8 December 1932:

New York Riding Master Convicted On Charges Brought by Miss Gibson

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 7 (AP)—Sidney Homewood, 24-year-old riding instructor, was convicted by a supreme court jury today of the charge of seducing Miss Charlotte Gibson, one of his former students, under the promise of marriage.

Taken to jail to await sentence Dec. 13, Homewood faces a possible maximum punishment of five years imprisonment and \$1000 fine. His attorneys indicated that they would seek to have the verdict set aside, and that failing would appeal.

The jury, consisting entirely of married men, took less than an hour to reach a verdict. It had heard the testimony of all interested parties—the defendant, Miss Gibson and the girl's father, Robert Gibson, a wealthy attorney.

The girl said Homewood was the

father of the child she expects in a few weeks. The father said Homewood had promised several times to marry his daughter, but had always gone back on his word. Gibson said the last time the riding master refused to marry her, he said he would support their child.

Homewood denied ever having promised to marry Miss Gibson and said he never told her he loved her.

Homewood's face grew red when the jury's verdict was announced, but he did not break down. Neither did his mother, Mrs. Bertha Homewood, but she said: "It wasn't justice, it was a show."

Gibson and his daughter were not in the courtroom to hear the outcome. Reached at his home, the father said: "I was convinced all the time that he would be found guilty."

Soon after the trial Charlotte⁶ gave birth to a daughter on 18 December 1932. She was named Mary⁷ Joan Gibson. The infant died twelve days later on 30 December. This was reported in numerous newspapers in America including the *San Diego Union* on 31 December 1932:

BABY GIRL DIES IN BETRAYAL CASE

TAPPAN, N. Y., Dec. 30 (U.S.)—The baby girl of Charlotte Gibson, young society girl whose testimony sent Sidney Homewood, English riding master, to jail as the father, died today. The child, Mary Joan Gibson, was 19 days old.

Homewood was convicted because he had refused to marry Miss Gibson to whom, he steadfastly maintained, he never had promised marriage. He is awaiting outcome of an appeal from sentence of 18 months in jail and a \$500 fine.

Mary Joan died in the Tappan home of her mother's father, George Gibson, wealthy attorney. Gibson said the baby "just gradually wasted away."

Note: The name George Gibson in the above article should read Robert Gibson.

Three years after Homewood's conviction, Charlotte⁶, now 27 years old, married Walter Mitchell Schubert on 22 January 1936 in New York. He was born 17 December 1898 in Talapoosa, Georgia.

Walter Mitchell Schubert died 25 August 1975 in Miami, Florida. His obituary was printed in *The Miami Herald* the next day:

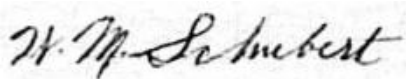
Engineer W. M. Schubert, 76

Walter M. Schubert, 76, a retired electronics engineer and resident of Miami since 1945, died Monday in North Shore Hospital.

Mr. Schubert was a native of Georgia. He was a Navy veteran of World War II and was discharged as a lieutenant commander. He had worked 40 years for the Aitec Service Corp.

Mr. Schubert is survived by his wife Charlotte; two daughters, Mrs. Charis Downey and Jane; two sisters, Mrs. Kathryn Nobel and Mrs. Marie Frobisher.

Repose is from 10 a.m. Wednesday until service time at 11 a.m. at the Miami Shores Presbyterian Church. Van Orsdel Gratigny Road Chapel is in charge.



Walter M. Schubert
WWI draft Registration Card



Charlotte⁶ Ariel Schubert died 31 May 1991 in Sarasota, Florida. Her death was announced in the *Sarasota Herald Tribune* on 1 June:



Charlotte Ariel Schubert
née Gibson
1909–1991

Charlotte A. Schubert

Charlotte A. Schubert, 82, Sarasota, died May 31, 1991.

She was born May 26, 1909, in New York City and moved to this area 14 years ago from Miami. She was a homemaker and was a Presbyterian.

She is survived by two daughters, Charis Downey and Jane, both of Sarasota.

Services and burial will be Monday in Miami. Romaine-Sarasota Funeral Home is in charge.



Three Generations

*Charlotte Letitia Jones, née Burnett, at right,
with her daughter Grace Llewellyn Gibson, née Jones
and her baby daughter Charlotte Ariel Gibson*

Charlotte⁶ Ariel Gibson and Walter M. Schubert had two children:

- a. Charis⁷ Catherine Schubert was born on the 2nd of October 1938. She married Richard Symonds Downey on 1 August 1970 in Miami-Dade, Florida. He was born 8 January 1924 in Sacramento and was the son of Sheridan Downey (1884–1961), a U.S. Senator from California from 1939 to 1951.



*Charis Catherine Downey
née Schubert
1938–*



*Richard Symonds Downey
1924–1991*

In 1979 Richard Downey had a vision to open up a chain of health food stores that would offer high quality and affordable natural foods. The enterprise became known as *Richard's Whole Foods*. In 1997, several years after Richard's death,



Charis Downey sold the business which now operates under the name *Richard's Foodporium*. Today there are numerous stores in SW Florida continuing the philosophy of the founder Richard Downey.

Charis and Richard divorced on 15 March 1976 due to Richard's severe alcoholism. He joined AA and seemingly cured of his excessive drinking, he and Charis remarried on 30 May, 1980.

However, Richard relapsed into heavy drinking and died of *leukemia* on 18 February 1991 in Sarasota, Florida. Richard and Charis had no children.

Richard was previously married to Agnes M. Vosburg on 20 June 1947 in Montana. She was born 25 August 1924 in Wyoming and died 10 August 1998 in Florida. Richard and Agnes had three children prior to their divorce in Colorado in the 1960s.

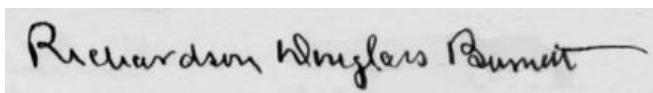
- b. Charlotte⁷ Jane Schubert was born 28 October 1948. She did not marry.



*Charlotte Jane Schubert
1948–*

Returning to the children of Alexander³ Shields Burnett and Margaret Ann Sullivan ...

4. Richardson⁴ Douglass Burnett was born 7 July 1849. His first name varies in the records: sometimes he is Isaac R. D. Burnett; sometimes Richardson D. Burnett; sometimes R. Douglass Burnett and sometimes just R. D. Burnett. He was a lawyer and is said to have practiced in St Louis, Missouri. We find him living with some of his siblings in San Francisco on the 1900 Census.



*Richardson Douglass Burnett
1903 Marriage Licence Application*

On 22 January 1903, when he was aged 54, he married Mary L. Richardson in Hamilton, Ohio. She born in August 1851 in Massachusetts and was the daughter of William B. Richardson and Louise M. Hill.

California Passenger and Crew Lists, 1882–1957 for 22 April 1903 show the newly married couple returning to San Francisco on board the "S.S. *China*" from Honolulu where they probably spent their honeymoon.

The *China* arrived in the port of San Francisco just two days after the devastating earthquake and fire in 1906. The line's downtown offices and port facilities had been destroyed but after some frenzied improvisation *China* sailed on schedule on May 5.



This ship was built for the Pacific Mail Steamship Company and sailed on its San Francisco, Yokohama, and Hong Kong service. She was transferred to Hawaiian registry in 1897 and was chartered for use as a military transport in the Pacific during the war with Spain in 1898, and was then registered in the United States. She had a major refit in 1903 and emerged with accommodation for 139 first class passengers, 41 second, and 347 'Asiatic'.

MARRIAGE RECORD.		241
Application for a Marriage License.		no. 241

The State of Ohio, Hamilton County, ss.		
<p>The undersigned respectfully makes application for a Marriage License, and upon oath deposes and says that his name is <u>Richardson D. Burnett</u>, that he is <u>03</u> years of age, that his residence is <u>San Francisco Cal</u>, that his place of birth was <u>Ind</u>, that his occupation is <u>Attorney at Law</u>, that his father's name was <u>A. M. Burnett</u>, his mother's maiden name was <u>Margaret A. Sullivan</u>, that he was <u>not</u> previously married, and that he has no wife living.</p> <p>That <u>Mary L. Richardson</u> is <u>52</u> years of age, that her residence is <u>Howood</u> Hamilton County, Ohio, her place of birth was <u>Mass</u>, her occupation is <u>Wife</u>, her father's name is <u>Wm B Richardson</u>, her mother's maiden name was <u>Louise M. Bell</u>, that she was <u>not</u> previously married, and is a widow or divorced woman, her married name being; that she has no husband living.</p>		
Said parties are not nearer of kin than second cousins, and there is no legal impediment to their marriage.		
It is expected that <u>Geo. A. Thayer</u> will solemnize the marriage of said parties.		
Sworn to and subscribed before me this <u>21st</u> day of <u>Jan</u> 190 <u>3</u>		
<u>Carl J. Fisher</u> Judge and ex-officio Clerk of the Probate Court of said County.		
By <u>Geo. A. Thayer</u> Deputy Clerk.		
Probate Court, Hamilton County, Ohio, <u>Jan 21st</u> 190 <u>3</u>		
Marriage License was this day granted to the above named persons.		
<u>Carl J. Fisher</u> Judge and ex-officio Clerk of the Probate Court of said County.		
By <u>Geo. A. Thayer</u> Deputy Clerk.		
MARRIAGE RETURN.		
Married, on the <u>21st</u> day of <u>Jan</u> 190 <u>3</u>		
<u>Richardson D. Burnett</u>		
and <u>Mary L. Richardson</u>		
by me a <u>Minister 1st Cong. W. Church</u>		
<u>Geo. A. Thayer</u>		

Hamilton County, Ohio Marriage Record
for Richardson Douglass Burnett and Mary L. Richardson

The Burnett Bible records Richardson D. Burnett's death on 26 January 1928 at Fort Thomas, Kentucky.

Form V. S. 1-27-27
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
 State Board of Health
 BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
 CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

County Campbell File No. 378
 Registration District No. 227 Registered No. 4
 Inc. Town Fort Thomas Primary Registration District No. 227.3
 City Fort Thomas (No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____)
 (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give the NAME instead of street and number)

2 FULL NAME Richard D. Burnett
 (a) Residence, No. 366 Burnett Ave.
 (Usual place of abode) (If nonresident, give city or town and State)
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. ds. How long in U.S. if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

1 SEX M 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 Single Married
 6a If married, widowed, or divorced Married
 HUSBAND OF Mary Burnett
 (or) WIFE OF Richard D. Burnett
 6 DATE OF BIRTH 1888
 (Month) (Day) (Year)
 7 AGE 39 yrs. mos. ds. If less than 1 day hrs. or min?

8 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED Retired
 (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work.
 (b) General nature of industry, business or establishment in which employed (or employer) Lawyer

9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town) Franklin, Ind.
 (State or country) Ind.
 10 NAME OF FATHER (City or town) Richard D. Burnett
 (State or country) Ind.
 11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town) Franklin, Ind.
 (State or country) Ind.
 12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Mary Burnett
 (City or town) Franklin, Ind.
 (State or country) Ind.
 13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town) Franklin, Ind.
 (State or country) Ind.

14 (Informant) Lang Anderson
 (Address) St Thomas Ky

15 Filed Jan 28, 1928 Lillian L. Chinn
 Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH Jan 26, 1928
 (Month) (Day) (Year)
 17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Jan 19, 1928 to Jan 26, 1928 that I last saw h. alive on Jan 26, 1928 and that death occurred on the date stated above at _____ m. The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:
Chronic obstructive bronchitis
Pneumonia
 (Duration) yrs. mos. ds.
 Contributory (Secondary) _____ (Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

18 WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED
 If not at place of death?
 Did an operation precede death? Date of _____
 Was there an autopsy? Yes
 What test confirmed diagnosis? Physician
 (Signed) J. D. Phyllis, M.D. (Address) Fort Thomas, Ky.

19 State the Disease Causing Death, or if death from Violent Cause, state (1) Means and nature of injury; and (2) Whether Accidental, Suicidal or Homicidal. (See reverse side for additional space.)
Chronic obstructive bronchitis
Pneumonia

20 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Home DATE OF BURIAL Jan 28, 1928
 21 UNDERTAKER Anderson ADDRESS Fort Thomas, Ky.

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD
 N. B.—Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, that it may be properly classified. Exact amount of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

Kentucky Death Records, 1852-1953

Mary L. Burnett died two years later on 4 February 1930 in Fort Thomas, Kentucky.

Form V. S. 1-27-25
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
 State Board of Health
 BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
 CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

County Campbell File No. 3087
 Registration District No. 224 Registered No. 204
 Inc. Town Fort Thomas Primary Registration District No. _____
 City Fort Thomas (No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____)
 (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give the NAME instead of street and number)

2 FULL NAME Mary L. Burnett
 (a) Residence, No. 136 Burnett Ridge
 (Usual place of abode) (If nonresident, give city or town and State)
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. ds. How long in U.S. if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

1 SEX F 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 Single Married
 6a If married, widowed, or divorced Married
 HUSBAND OF Richard D. Burnett
 (or) WIFE OF Richard D. Burnett
 6 DATE OF BIRTH Aug 1851
 (Month) (Day) (Year)
 7 AGE 79 yrs. mos. ds. If less than 1 day hrs. or min?

8 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED At Home
 (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work.
 (b) General nature of industry, business or establishment in which employed (or employer)

9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town) Franklin, Ind.
 (State or country) Ind.
 10 NAME OF FATHER (City or town) Richard D. Burnett
 (State or country) Ind.
 11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town) Franklin, Ind.
 (State or country) Ind.
 12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Mary Burnett
 (City or town) Franklin, Ind.
 (State or country) Ind.
 13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town) Franklin, Ind.
 (State or country) Ind.

14 (Informant) Lang Anderson
 (Address) St Thomas Ky

15 Filed Feb 6, 1930 Richard D. Burnett
 Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH Feb 4, 1930
 (Month) (Day) (Year)
 17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from _____ to _____ that I last saw h. alive on _____ and that death occurred on the date stated above at _____ m. The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:
Cerebral Hemorrhage
 (Duration) yrs. mos. ds.
 Contributory (Secondary) Arteriosclerosis (Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

18 WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED
 If not at place of death?
 Did an operation precede death? Date of _____
 Was there an autopsy? Yes
 What test confirmed diagnosis? Physician
 (Signed) J. D. Phyllis, M.D. (Address) Fort Thomas, Ky.

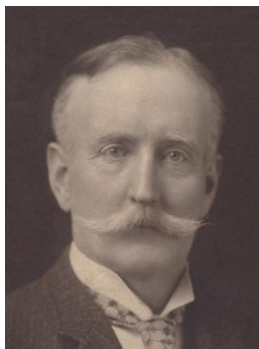
19 State the Disease Causing Death, or if death from Violent Cause, state (1) Means and nature of injury; and (2) Whether Accidental, Suicidal or Homicidal. (See reverse side for additional space.)
Cerebral Hemorrhage

20 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Home DATE OF BURIAL Feb 6, 1930
 21 UNDERTAKER Anderson ADDRESS Fort Thomas, Ky.

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD
 N. B.—Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, that it may be properly classified. Exact amount of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

Kentucky Death Records, 1852-1953

5. Jeremiah⁴ Cutler Burnett ‘Jere’, was born 18 July 1851 in New Albany, Indiana. He entered the Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1867 and graduated with the class of 1871. Jeremiah retired as a Lt. Commander on 9 May 1896 and settled in San Francisco where he died on 16 December 1929 aged 78 years old. He was buried at the San Francisco National Cemetery. Jeremiah was never married.



Jeremiah Cutler Burnett
1851–1929

His passing was reported in the *San Francisco Chronicle*, p. 14, col. 7, on the 18th December:

BURNETT—In this city, December 16, 1929. Lieut. Commander Jeremiah Cutler Burnett, U. S. N. (retired), brother of Mrs. George S. Wilson, uncle of Mrs. Franklin B. Harwood and Mrs. Robert Gibson. (New York, Washington and Service papers please copy.) Services private.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J.C. Burnett".

Jeremiah C. Burnett
Signature in 1906

6. Sarah⁴ ‘Sara’ Travilla Burnett was born 24 February 1854. She married Major George Spencer Wilson, U.S. Army, on 25 August 1881 in San Francisco. Their marriage was announced in the *San Francisco Call*, p. 4, col. 5, on 26 August 1881:

WILSON—BURNETT—In this city, August 25, at Trinity Church, by the Rev. Dr. Beers, D. D., George B. Wilson, U. S. A., to Sara Travilla, daughter of General A. S. Burnett. [No cards.]



Major George Spencer Wilson
1842–1897



Sara Travilla Burnett Wilson
1854–1931

John⁸ H. Saunders (1880–1940) mentions in a letter to his cousin, Gertrude⁸ Bennett, née Douglass, that ‘Cousin Sara’ (i.e. Sarah⁴ Travilla Burnett Wilson) had a daughter named Margaret. → See Chapter 7: The Douglass Family.

This article appeared in the *San Francisco Call* on 15 November 1893:

President Cleveland has appointed Captain George S. Wilson, Twelfth Infantry, assistant adjutant-general. Captain Wilson is the son-in-law of the late General Alexander S. Burnett of this city.

Major George S. Wilson was born 30 October 1842 in Harrison, Indiana. The 1900 census says Sarah was a widow. She and her daughter Margaret were living with her two brothers, Douglass and Jeremiah Burnett and her sister Frances Burnett.

Major Wilson died aged 57 of *appendicitis* on 12 January 1897 at Vancouver Barracks, Washington State. His passing was reported in the *Springfield Republican*, Massachusetts, on Thursday, 14 January 1897:

MAJ GEORGE S. WILSON DEAD.
A telegram to the war department at Washington announces that Maj George S. Wilson, assistant adjutant-general of the United States army, died of acute inflammation Tuesday at Vancouver barracks, Wash.

Sara⁴ Travilla Burnett Wilson died 9 April 1931. Her death was reported in the *San Francisco Call-Bulletin* on 10 April 1931:

WILSON—In this city, April 9, 1931. Sara Burnett Wilson, wife of the late Major George S. Wilson, United States Army, and mother of Mrs. Franklin B. Harwood. The services will be held at her home, 305 Spruce st., on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Sara T. Wilson,

Sara Travilla Wilson
Signature in 1906

Sara⁴ Travilla Burnett and George Wilson had one daughter:

- A. **Margaret⁵ Spencer Wilson** was born 9 December 1883 at Madison Barracks, Sacketts Harbor, New York. She married Franklin Bache Harwood on 24 January 1906. He was born 30 September 1876 in Baltimore, Maryland.



Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Bache Harwood
on their honeymoon – 1906

The marriage was announced in a San Francisco newspaper a few days later:

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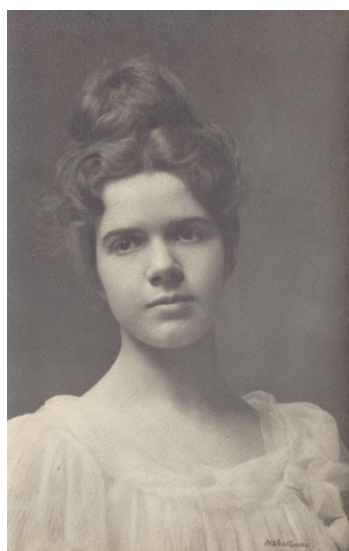
Miss Margaret Spencer Wilson made a handsome bride, and as for her taste in the selection of pretty bridesmaids, it is assuredly admirable. And they were fetchingly gowned—these four fair maids, Miss Marion Huntington, Miss Ruth Allen, Miss Jessie Wright, Miss Grace Llewellyn Jones, of whom Miss Jones was the regnant beauty.

The Harwoods will remain in town while the McCulloch, to which Lieutenant Harwood is attached, is ordered elsewhere by the inconsiderate and wholly unsentimental Navy Department.

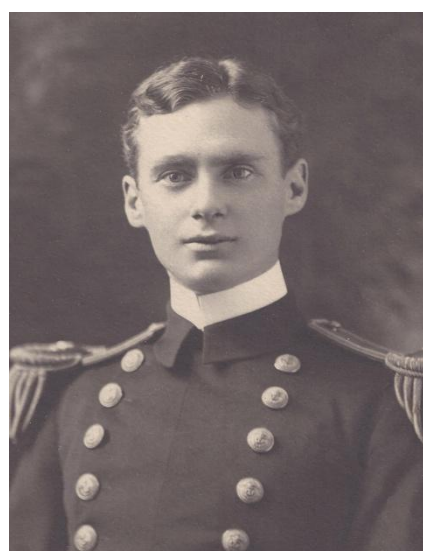
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Margaret Spencer Wilson
1883–1964



Margaret Spencer Wilson
1883–1964
1902 photo



Franklin Bache Harwood
1876–1970
Revenue Cutter Service Uniform - 1902

A month later, Lillian⁹ Frances (Mrs. J. H.) Saunders, née Chinn, gave a luncheon for the newly married couple. This event was reported in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on 25 February 1906. The article says that the new Mrs. Harwood was Mrs. Saunders' cousin. But that is not accurate. Mrs. Harwood, Miss Jones and Miss Borden were all cousins of Lillian's husband, John⁸ H. Saunders.

Mrs. John H. Saunders gave an enjoyable luncheon to her cousin, Mrs. Franklin Bache Harwood (Miss Margaret Wilson) and her bridal party. Those who enjoyed Mrs. Saunders' hospitality were the Misses Elizabeth Allen, Miss Ruth Allen, Miss Marion Huntington, Miss Jessie Wright, Miss Grace Llewellyn Jones and Miss Sheldon Borden of Los Angeles, a cousin of Mrs. Saunders.

The table decorations consisted of violets and jonquils. The color scheme, yellow and violet, was carried out in the surrounding decorations.

Margaret⁵ Wilson Harwood died 7 January 1964. Her death was reported in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on 9 January, p.30, col.6:

HARWOOD in this city, Jan. 7, 1964. Margaret Wilson Harwood, wife of Franklin Bache Harwood, mother of Wilson Franklin Harwood of Lima, Peru, and Mrs. Hervey G. de Bivort of Geneva, Switzerland.
Memorial services will be held at 1:30 p. m. Sunday, Jan. 12, at the First Unitarian Church, Franklin st. at Geary. (Contributions to the Unitarian-Universalist Service Committee, Inc., 1178 Franklin st., San Francisco, or organization of your choice preferred.) GRAY'S.

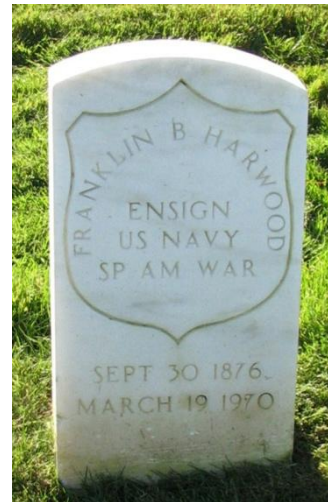


Margaret Wilson Harwood
December 1952

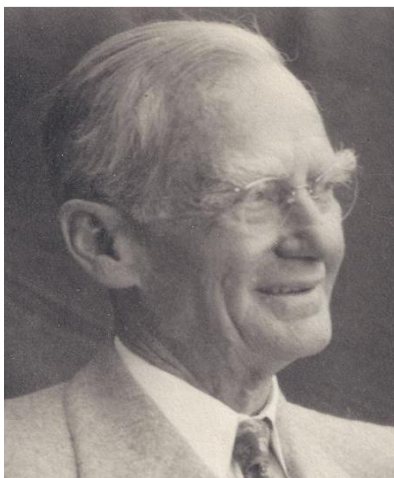
Franklin Bache Harwood died 19 March 1970. He was buried in the San Francisco National Cemetery.

Franklin Bache Harwood

Franklin Bache Harwood
WWI Draft Registration Card



Franklin's death was reported in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on 21 March, p.31, col.6.



Franklin Bache Harwood
1876–1970

HARWOOD, FRANKLIN B. — In this city, March 19, 1970, Franklin B. Harwood, husband of the late Margaret Wilson Harwood, father of Mrs. Hervey de Bivort and Mr. Wilson Franklin Harwood; also survived by five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; a native of Maryland; aged 93 years; Veteran of the Spanish American War.
Private interment was held Friday, March 20. Contributions to the Unitarian-Universalist Service Committee, Inc., 1178 Franklin St., San Francisco or conservation cause of your choice.
(N. GRAY & CO.)

Margaret⁵ Spencer Wilson and Franklin Bache Harwood had two children.

- i. **Wilson⁶ Franklin Harwood** was born 31 December 1912 in San Francisco. He married Winifred Lee Lewis on 31 December 1938. She was born 21 May 1917 in Evanston, Illinois and died 2 March 2014 in Portola Valley, California aged 96. Not liking the name Winifred she adopted the name Lee Lewis Harwood at the time of her marriage.



*Wilson Franklin Harwood
1912–2008*



*Winifred Lee Lewis
1917–2014*

Wilson⁶ Franklin Harwood and Winifred Lee Lewis had three children.

- ii. Sara⁶ ‘Sally’ Franklin Harwood was born 9 August 1916 in San Francisco, CA. She married Hervey G. de Bivort 18 August 1939. He was born 1 May 1906 in San Raphael, France and migrated to the United States in November 1923.



*Sara ‘Sally’ Franklin Harwood
1916–1917*

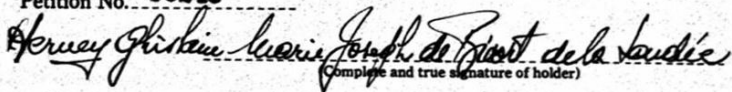


*Hervey G. de Bivort
1906–1985*

Sara⁶ died 1 October 2017 at the advanced age of 101. She grew up in San Francisco and spent most of her life in Geneva, Switzerland where her husband worked for the International Labor Office.

Sara and Hervey retired to Berkeley, California. After his death she moved to the Sequoias Retirement Community in Portola Valley, California.

Hervey became a naturalized United States citizen in 1936.

No. 4048845	
de Bivort de la Saudée, Hervey Ghislain Marie Joseph	
Name	-----
residing at	2090-Green St., San Francisco, Cal.
Age	30 years. Date of order of admission May 4, 1936
Date certificate issued	May 4, 1936 by the
U. S. District Court at	San Francisco, California
Petition No.	35245
 (Complete and true signature of holder)	

Hervey's full name – *Hervey Ghislain Marie Joseph de Bivort de la Saudée* – was quite a mouthful, so in America he became known as simply Hervey Ghislain de Bivort.

The engagement of Sally⁶ 'Sara' Harwood and Hervey de Bivort was announced in social columns of the *San Francisco Chronicle* on Wednesday, 5 July 1939:

Social Day

CCCC WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 1939 7

Sally Harwood to Become Bride on August 18

By LADY TEAZLE

Less than two months will intervene between Miss Sally Harwood's arrival home and her marriage.

The bride-elect, who has been studying at the Yale School of Nursing, reached San Francisco June 25 and on August 18 she will become Mrs. Hervey de Bivort.

It will be a 5 o'clock ceremony at the Spruce street home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin B. Harwood, and only very close friends and family members will be present. Rev. C. S. S. Dutton will officiate and Mr. Harwood will give his daughter's hand in marriage.

Miss Harwood has asked her sister-in-law, Mrs. Wilson Franklin Dutton to be her matron of honor and the bridesmaids will be Miss Marjorie Segerstrom and Miss Mary Kuechler.

Franklin Wilson Harwood will be best man for Mr. de Bivort and there will be no ushers.

The bride-elect and her parents are leaving Friday to spend a fortnight in the high Sierra and so no definite date for parties have yet been set. But her bridesmaids are planning to entertain for her late in July.

Hervey de Bivort died 30 March 1985 in Alameda County, California. His passing was reported in *The San Francisco Chronicle* on 2 April:

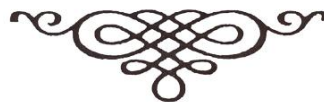
de BIVORT, Hervey — in Berkeley, March 30, 1985; husband of Sally de Bivort; father of Lawrence de Bivort and Carlyle de Bivort; father-in-law of Susan de Bivort; grandfather of Benjamin de Bivort.
BAYVIEW CHAPEL, BERKELEY



*Hervey de Bivort
1906–1985*



Sara, Margaret and Lewis Harwood, c.1960



Wilson⁶ Franklin Harwood died 31 January 2008 at Stanford Hospital. An obituary was published in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on 10 February:

Wilson Franklin Harwood, age 95, died January 31, 2008, surrounded by family at Stanford Hospital. Wilson was born in San Francisco on December 31, 1912 and attended Lowell High School. At Stanford University, class of '34, his sister Sally introduced him to his future wife of 69 years, Lee Lewis. A Naval officer during WWII, he served as an administrative and budget analyst in Washington, D.C.

He applied his creative skills in various government agencies, including the Naval Research Laboratory, Office of Naval Research, and National Bureau of Standards. With the formation of the National Science Foundation in 1951, he was selected as assistant director for administration. His career took him and his family all over the world with Stanford Research Institute and other development organizations. In these assignments he transcended cultures and politics to improve the lives of people in Puerto Rico, the Philippines, Iran, Peru, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and Egypt.

Wilson, a resident of Portola Valley for the last 40 years, will be missed by his devoted wife Lee; sister, Sally de Bivort; three children, Margaret Milledge of Palo Alto, CA, Sara Arnold of Lexington, MA, and Lewis Harwood of Bethesda, MD, and their spouses; five grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Wilson's immediate and extended families, plus friends around the world, will always remember "Papa Willie's" love of adventure global perspective, spirited intellect, and above all, his colorful stories.



Wilson Franklin Harwood
1912–2008

Lee Lewis Harwood died 2 March 2014. Her obituary was published in the *Palo Alto Weekly* on 25 April 2014:

Lee Harwood

Lee Lewis Harwood died with her family by her side at The Sequoias in Portola Valley on March 2. She was 96.

She was born Winifred Lee Lewis in Evanston, Ill., on May 21, 1917, to W. Lee Lewis and Myrtilla May Cook Lewis.

She graduated from Evanston Township High School in 1934 and then went to study at Stanford University, her father's alma mater. She graduated with the class of 1938 as a member of the women's honorary society, Cap and Gown. While at Stanford she met her future husband, Wilson Franklin Harwood, and they married in 1938 in Winnetka, Ill. They were married for 69 years.

Her husband's consulting career allowed them to travel and live abroad. They set up households



in many places, including Puerto Rico, the Philippines, Iran, Peru, England, Kuwait, Egypt and both coasts of the United States.

In her work life, she held roles as a social worker, secretary to the Turkish ambassador to Kuwait and a poll worker in Portola Valley. While overseas, she started a band at the American School of Manila, helped establish an orphanage in Tehran and assisted in launching a railroad car health clinic in Peru for the wives of railroad workers.

After settling in Portola Valley in 1965, she became involved with the League of Women Voters and played in the Mid-Peninsula Recorder Orchestra. She also served as president of the Community Committee for International Students at Stanford and "adopted" foreign students each year, many of whom remained lifelong friends.

She is survived by her sister-in-law, Sara Harwood de Bivort of Portola Valley; her three children, Margaret Harwood Milledge of

Palo Alto, Sara Harwood Arnold of Lexington, Mass., and Lewis Harwood of Bethesda, Md.; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

There will be a memorial service on May 10 at 2 p.m. at The Sequoias, 501 Portola Road, Portola Valley. Memorial donations may be made to KQED, League of Women Voters or The Sequoias' Tomorrow Fund.

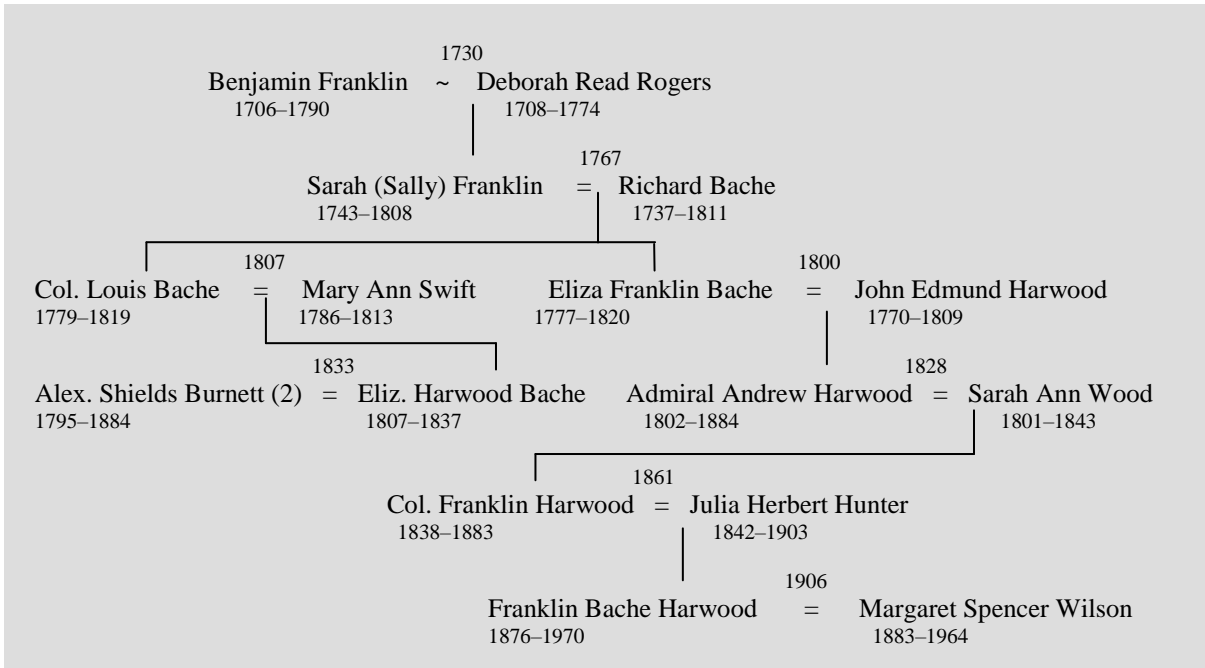
An announcement of Lee Harwood's death appeared in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on Friday, 9 May 2014:

Lee Lewis Harwood

Died March 2, 2014
Portola Valley, Calif, aged
96 years. Born May 21,
1917 Evanston, Ill. Wife of
69 years to the late Wilson
Harwood. Survived by her
children, Marqaret "Peq"

Harwood Milledge of Palo
Alto, Calif, Sara Harwood
Arnold of Lexington,
Mass, and Lewis Harwood
of Bethesda, Md; five
grandchildren and six great
grandchildren.

Franklin Bache Harwood was also a descendant of Benjamin Franklin:



The State of Indiana where the Sullivan family lived

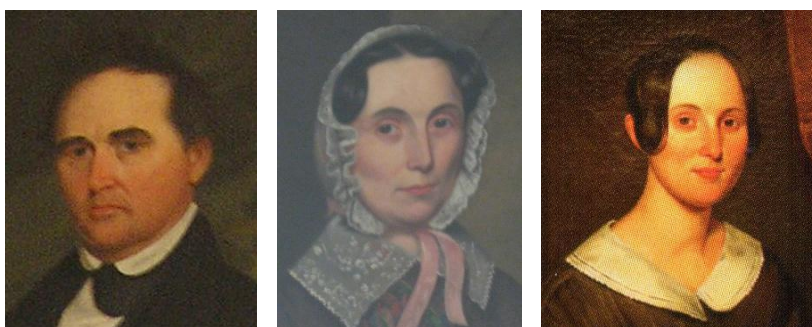


The Sullivan Family

Jeremiah H. Sullivan was the son of Thomas P. Sullivan who was born about 1761 in Cork, Ireland, and his wife Margaret H. Irwin (1766–1845) whom he married 29 March 1781 in Augusta County, Virginia. Thomas died 23 January 1827 in Madison, Indiana. Jeremiah had one sister, Margaret who was born 1 March 1793 and died a month later.

Judge Sullivan, a contemporary and colleague of General Alexander³ Shields Burnett, was born 21 July 1794 in Virginia and died 6 December 1870 in Indiana. He was a prominent and highly respected citizen of Madison. He served on the Indiana Supreme Court from May 1837 to January 1846 and was one of the founders of Hanover College. In 1819 he was elected to the Indiana General Assembly and won re-election in 1820.

Jeremiah Sullivan married Charlotte Rudesel Cutler on 23 July 1818 in Jefferson County, Indiana. She was born 10 May 1798 and died 15 June 1875.

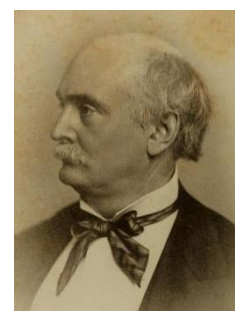


*From left to right:
Jeremiah H. Sullivan (1794–1870),
his wife Charlotte Cutler Sullivan
(1798–1875) and their
daughter Margaret Ann Sullivan
(1822–1900)*

*Courtesy of
Historic Madison, Inc.,
Sullivan Family Collection*

Jeremiah Sullivan and Charlotte Cutler had thirteen children:

1. Captain Thomas L. Sullivan was born 8 September 1819 in Indiana and died 27 February 1873. He married Laetitia A. Smith on 16 November 1842 in Marion County, Indiana.
2. Margaret Ann Sullivan was born 25 March 1822 and died 4 January 1900. She married General **Alexander³ Shields Burnett** in 1841 in Madison, Indiana.
3. Frances E. ‘Fanny’ Sullivan was born 2 May 1824 and died 7 October 1839.
4. Algernon Sydney Sullivan was born 5 April 1826 in Madison, Indiana and died 4 December 1887. After studying law in his father's office, he was admitted to the bar in 1848, and for eight years practiced in Cincinnati, Ohio. In 1857 he moved to New York City, and soon took a prominent position as a lawyer and public spirited citizen. From 1870–1873 he was assistant district attorney for New York City, and upon leaving that office he formed a partnership with Hermann Kobbe and Ludlow Fowler.



Algernon S. Sullivan
1826–1887

Algernon S. Sullivan

In 1875 he was appointed public administrator. In 1878 the firm of Sullivan, Kobbe & Fowler was dissolved and he formed a partnership with William Nelson Cromwell, under the name of Sullivan & Cromwell. Mr. Sullivan was recognized as one of the strongest, readiest and most successful jury lawyers in New York, and he was admired and revered by both bench and bar.

On 2 January 1851 Algernon married Mary Slocum Groesbeck in Cincinnati, Ohio. She unfortunately died in September of that year.

Algernon Sydney Sullivan then married Mary Mildred Hammond on 13 December 1855 in Frederick, Virginia (now West Virginia). She was born 3 November 1836 in Charles Town, Virginia (now West Virginia).

Charles Washington's home *Happy Retreat*, Stafford, Virginia, was then in the hands of the Hammond family. Mary was the daughter of George Washington Hammond (1809–1859) and Sarah Ann Taylor (1817–1847).

Mary Sullivan, née Hammond, died 9 June 1933 in New York aged 96. In 1837 the property was purchased by Judge Isaac⁵ Richardson Douglass and renamed *Mordington*.

➔ See Chapter Seven: The Douglass Family



Algernon Sydney Sullivan
and Mary Mildred Hammond
at the time of their marriage in 1855



George Washington
Hammond
1809–1859



Sarah Ann Hammond
née Taylor
1817–1847

Mary Mildred Sullivan's obituary was published in *The Kokomo Tribune*, Indiana, on 10 June 1933:

MEMBER OF ORIGINAL '400' DIES AT 96

New York, June 10.—(AP)—Mrs. Sydney Sullivan, who danced quadrilles with King Edward VII when he was Prince of Wales and who was one of the last survivors of Ward McAllister's original "Four Hundred," died today at the age of 96.

She had suffered from pneumonia for several weeks and a few days ago developed pleurisy. With her when she died was her only immediate survivor, a son, George Hammond Sullivan, an attorney.

Mrs. Sullivan led every grand march of society's annual charity ball from 1883 until 1920.

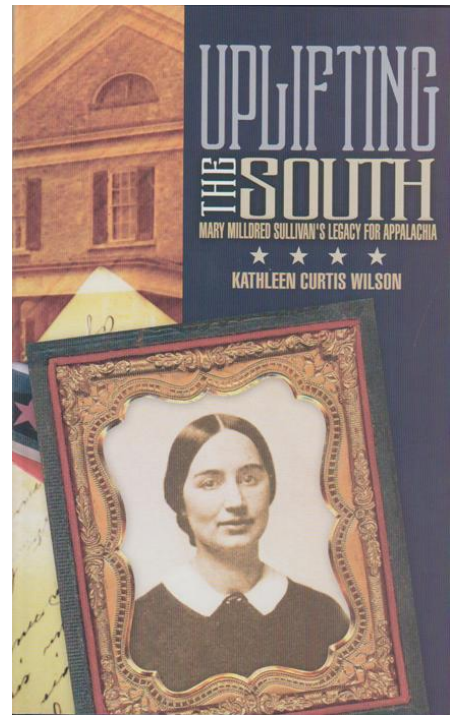
Mrs. Sullivan, the former Mary Mildred Hammond, was born in Charlestown, Jefferson county, W. Va., oldest of the six children of George Washington Hammond and Sarah and Milton Taylor Hammond. Her birthplace then was part of Virginia.

In 1855 she married Algernon Sydney Sullivan, a son of Judge Jeremiah Sullivan of Madison, Ind. After living in Cincinnati two years they came to New York and immediately took an active part in the city's social life. Mr. Sullivan died in 1887.

Mary Mildred Sullivan's life was extraordinary enough for a book to be written about her life and times titled *Uplifting the South – Mary Mildred Sullivan's Legacy for Appalachia* by Kathleen Curtis Wilson, published by The Algernon Sydney Sullivan Foundation in 2006.

The book tells the story of a proud Southerner living in the North during the Civil War. Surviving the trials of the Civil War, Mary Sullivan went on to become one of the leading figures of American Philanthropy, but her crowning achievement was her legacy to Appalachia. In her efforts to rebuild the South following the war, Mary personally gave resources and created endowments, tirelessly raising money to provide scholarships to young adults throughout the region., a process that has continued for 100 years.

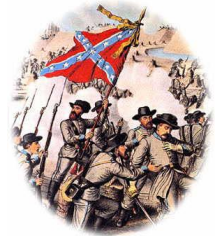
Uplifting the South chronicles the real life drama taking place in a period of American History unsurpassed for violence and change, and how one woman was literally a force that helped shape the times in which she lived.



Mary Mildred Hammond had six siblings, one being:



William Taylor Hammond was born 14 February 1841 in Virginia. He was killed during the closing months of the Civil War on 4 July 1864. He had joined Company D of the First Virginia Cavalry in 1861 and by 1864 had risen to the rank of acting sergeant major.



William Taylor Hammond
1841–1864

Algernon and Mary Hammond Sullivan had one son:

- A. George Hammond Sullivan was born 30 November 1859 in New York and died 14 November 1956 at the age of 96. He was a lawyer like his father.



George Hammond Sullivan
with his mother *Mary Mildred Sullivan* in 1906

The Washington Connection

President George Washington's younger brother was Charles Washington (1738–1803). He married Mildred Thornton (1740–1767) in 1757.

Their daughter, Mildred Gregory Washington (1772–1804), married Col. Thomas Hammond (1770–1820) as his second wife on 19 April 1797 in Berkeley, West Virginia, his first wife being Mary Trapscott, whom he married in 1792. Thomas was born in Ireland in 1770 and died 1826. Thomas and Mildred had three children who all died in infancy.

In 1807 Thomas married for the third time to Ann Newton Collins. They had six children, but only two survived beyond infancy:

- i. George Washington Hammond was born 14 April 1809 in Jefferson County, Virginia and died 8 January 1859 in Baltimore, Maryland. He married Sarah Ann Taylor on 20 January 1836. She was born 22 September 1817 and died 2 February 1847. They had six children, one being **Mary Mildred Hammond** who married **Algernon Sydney Sullivan** in 1855.

NOTE: Samuel Washington (1765–1831) inherited *Happy Retreat*, the grand home built by his father, Col. Charles Washington (1738–1799), in Charles Town, West Virginia. In February, 1800,

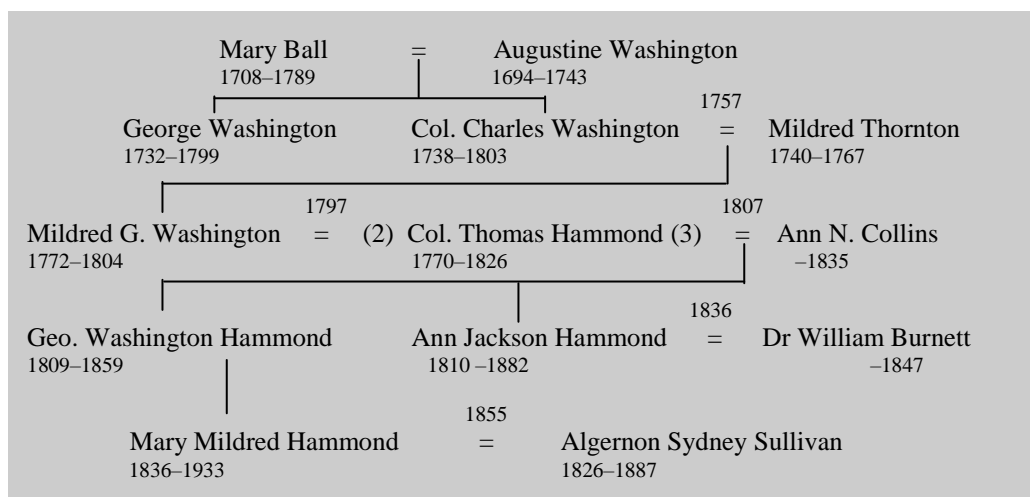
Samuel Washington sold *Happy Retreat*, including the mansion house and 100 acres of land, to **Thomas Hammond**. The property stayed in the Hammond family until 1837 when George Washington Hammond sold it to the **Hon. Isaac⁵ R. Douglass**, a circuit court judge and real estate investor. After his purchase of *Happy Retreat*, Judge Douglass completed the plans for the central section of the house and built a three story brick structure, connecting the two old Washington wings. He renamed the completed mansion *Mordington* after his ancestral estate in Scotland.

→ See Chapter 7: The Douglass Family

- ii. Ann Jackson Hammond was born about 1810 and died 3 January 1882. in Charles Town, West Virginia. She was the aunt of Mary Mildred Hammond. Ann married Dr. William³ Burnett in June 1836. He was the son of William² Burnett and Mary⁵ Douglass. William was the brother of George³ Burnett who married Mary's sister Sarah⁵ Douglass.

One of the sons of George³ Burnett and Sarah⁵ Douglass was General Alexander³ Shields Burnett (1795–1884). He married Margaret Ann Sullivan (1822–1900) the older sister of Algernon Sydney Sullivan.

→ See this chapter – The Burnett Family



Continuing with the children of Jeremiah Sullivan and Charlotte R. Cutler:

5. Charlotte Eveline Sullivan was born 28 April 1828 and died August 1907 of *senile debility*. She married John Henderson Sullivan (1818–1886) on 21 June 1849. He may have been related. John was the son of Joseph Sullivan (1794–1850) and Susan Henderson (1799–1879).
6. Jeremiah Cutler Sullivan was born 1 October 1830. He was an Indiana Lawyer, antebellum United States Navy officer, and a brigadier general in the **Union Army** during the American Civil War. He was among a handful of former navy officers who later served as infantry generals during the war. During the 1863 Vicksburg Campaign, Sullivan served on the field staff of Maj. Gen. Ulysses S. Grant as the acting inspector general for his army. He died 21 October 1890 in Oakland, California and was buried at Mountain View Cemetery.



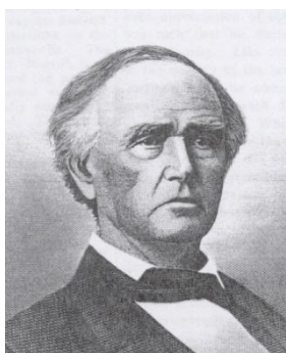
Jeremiah Cutler Sullivan
1830–1890
Courtesy of Historic Madison, Inc
Sullivan family collection



7. Eliza M. Sullivan was born 28 July 1832 in Indiana and died 31 December 1869. She married Col. Thomas H. Harris on 2 June 1858. He was born 24 October 1829 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and died 24 August 1896 in Hot Springs, South Dakota. Thomas was Assistant Adjutant-General, U.S. Army during the Civil War.



8. Mary Jane Sullivan was born 13 August 1834. She married Joseph I. Tillinghast on 9 December 1863.
9. Alfred Sullivan was born 17 October 1836.
10. Ellen M. Sullivan was born 14 July 1838.
11. Julia Sullivan was born 14 December 1840 and died 28 August 1847.
12. Harrison Sullivan was born 18 January 1845.
13. Joseph Sullivan was born 13 March 1853 and died 6 March 1855.



Jeremiah Sullivan died suddenly on 6 December 1870 in Madison, Indiana. His wife Charlotte Cutler Sullivan died 15 June 1875. They were both buried in Springdale Cemetery in Madison, Indiana.

Jeremiah H. Sullivan
1794–1870

Several members of the Sullivan family were buried in Springvale Cemetery. Brig. General Jeremiah Cutler Sullivan moved to California and was buried at Mountain View Cemetery.



*Margaret H. (Irwin) Sullivan
1766–1845
Wife of Thomas P. Sullivan and
Mother of Jeremiah Sullivan*



*Jeremiah H. Sullivan
1794–1870*



*Charlotte Cutler Sullivan
1798–1875*



*Capt. Thomas L. Sullivan
1819–1873*



*Frances E. "Fanny" Sullivan
1824–1839*



*Jeremiah Cutler Sullivan
1830–1890
Mountain View Cemetery, CA*



*Eliza M. Sullivan
1832–1869*



*Julia Sullivan
1840–1847*



*Joseph Sullivan
1853–1855*

End of Burnett and Sullivan Family

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Returning to Lillian Frances Chinn ...

On 22 January 1927 Lillian⁹ Frances Saunders, née Chinn, married Harry⁸ Innes Borden in Washington DC. John Axton, Chaplain, U.S. Army, whose residence was Fort Myer, Virginia, united them in marriage. Harry Innes Borden, a professional military man, was a 1st Lieut. with the battalion known as the 52nd Ammunition Train, Coast Military Corps, Company 'C' referred to as the Lucky 52nd. The battalion saw service in France near the end of the Great War.

For Harry it was the second time around, being previously married to Sally Bonner. Harry was distantly related to Fran's first husband Jack⁸ Saunders. At Christmas 1908 Harry gave Jack and Fran a book – *Barrack Room Ballads* by Rudyard Kipling – and inscribed it 'To cousin Jack and Fran from Harry'.



Harry Innes Borden
1889–1967

Lillian⁹ Frances Chinn Saunders's marriage to Harry⁸ Borden brought about further amendments to the divorce settlement between Fran and Jack, the most significant being the transfer of custody of John Henry Saunders Jr to his father. This change is incorporated in the 'Order Modifying Final Decree of Divorce', dated 27 December 1926, a few weeks prior to Fran's marriage to Harry.

The *Oakland Tribune*, Tuesday, 28 December 1926:

Woman to Rewed Relinquishes Son, Heavy Alimony

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28. — Because she plans to re-wed on March 1, Mrs. Lillian Frances Saunders today is ready to give up \$350 a month of her alimony and accept \$150 a month, and also to yield custody of her 18-year-old son to his father, John Henry Saunders of Sydney, Australia. The new settlement is outlined in an amended alimony settlement filed here yesterday. The Saunders were divorced three years ago, the alimony allowance of \$500 being made on the stipulation that it be reduced in event Mrs. Saunders should marry again.

Fran and Harry⁸ Borden appear to have lived a comfortable life in San Francisco. Despite the change of custody, Fran's son continued living with his mother and new stepfather. In January 1927, after completing high school he embarked on a six-month trip with his father, prior to enrolling at Stanford University in June of that year.



Harry and Fran, c.1918

The newly-married couple settled into a home in Los Gatos, an attractive, outlying suburb south of San Francisco. There she saw her son through Lowell High School and Stanford University where he graduated with an economics degree in 1930. In the meantime his father, now settled in Australia, had made a success of his bloodstock insurance business. Probably encouraged by his father, he decided to join him to learn the insurance business and in January 1931 he left San Francisco for Sydney for what then was to be only for a year or so. It turned out to be forever.



Fran and Harry, 1946

Fran's divorce from Jack⁸ Saunders and remarriage to Harry⁸ Borden did not prejudice her towards the Saunders family. Her son was a Saunders and she treasured and preserved for him all the various bits of Saunders memorabilia. In many ways, through her son, she remained a Saunders. Fran was a person who related intimately with the various bloodlines in her own lineage as well as the lineage she married into. To her, they were all incorporated in the being of her only son.



Fran and Harry Borden at their home in Saratoga, Ca. with Guido Caglieri and George McDaniel, two close friends of Fran's c.1928

28 May 1937

The Golden Gate Bridge opened to vehicular traffic on this day. It connects the city of San Francisco and the Marin County headlands near the small bayside town of Sausalito. The bridge is not named for its colour, but the entrance to San Francisco Bay, which was dubbed the '*Golden Gate*' some 150 years earlier by prospectors who passed through on their way to California's gold fields.



In Australia John⁹ Jr. had married and by 1941 they had two children. The world was at war again and in 1943 still an American citizen, he enlisted in the US army. At the end of the war, after being discharged, like many expatriate American veterans, he was granted terminal leave to his home state in America. In May of 1946, John, his wife and the two boys, then respectively nine and four years old, left for San Francisco, returning to Sydney in October.

Fran and Jack's son had been away fifteen years, and his wife had never met her mother-in-law or his stepfather, Harry⁸ Borden. For the two boys it was the adventure of a lifetime, during which the youngest had his fifth birthday in July. For their father it was a time to renew old friendships and show his wife around the city he grew up in. But more than anything else it was an emotional reunion for him and his mother.



Fran and son 1946

Unfortunately Fran's marriage to Harry⁸ Borden was not working out. Harry had a history of alcoholism and this was more than likely the major cause of the marriage break-up. During 1935 Harry was admitted to hospital several times for alcoholism in the Veterans Administration Facility. Whatever their marital problems were, and perhaps Fran herself was no saint, their relationship deteriorated not long after her son's visit in 1946 and they were divorced two years later after twenty-one years of marriage.

Correspondence from the Department of Veterans Affairs in Philadelphia provided not only evidence of Harry's drinking problem but also his military service record and birth and death dates.

Harry⁸ Innes Borden was born in Los Angeles on 10 May 1889, making him four years younger than Fran. He was the son of Sheldon⁷ Borden. He had a brother Cecil⁸ and a sister Juliet⁸ who married Lt. Irving Hall Mayfield, U.S.N. There was a daughter Sallie⁹ Nell by his first marriage to Sally Bonner. Harry and Fran's first husband, Jack Saunders, were related through the Douglass Family. → See the Borden Family earlier in this chapter.

THE AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS

THIS CERTIFIES THAT

Mrs. F. Borden

HAS COMPLETED THE Advanced COURSE
OF INSTRUCTION IN FIRST AID TO THE INJURED AT
Los Gatos, California

August 15, 1942 Harold I. Enlow
DIRECTOR, FIRST AID, WATER SAFETY
AND ACCIDENT PREVENTION

(This Certificate expires three years from date and is renewable only
through enrollment in and completion of another First Aid Course)

COUNTERSIGNED Francis Borden

TITLE Chapter Chairman

HOLDER'S SIGNATURE Francis Borden

ADDRESS Box 439 - Rt. 2 -
Los Gatos - Cal.

FORM 1305 REV. MAY 1941

Red Cross First Aid card issued to Lillian Frances (Saunders) Borden

SANTA CLARA COUNTY COUNCIL OF DEFENSE
IDENTIFICATION CARD

Name Frances Borden

Address Rt. 2 Box 439 L.G.

is a duly appointed and acting
Air Raid Warden
within the jurisdiction of
Zone 25 (Alma)
and is to be given every consideration nec-
essary to the performance of duty therein
during the prevailing emergency.
Santa Clara County Council of Defense.

By [Signature]
Chairman.

IDENTIFICATION CARD N^o 2115

is issued to the undersigned, subject to the rules and regulations
of the SANTA CLARA COUNTY COUNCIL OF DEFENSE
and any violation of the purpose for which it is issued is to be
reported immediately to Council Headquarters, Room 21, Court
House, San Jose, Calif.

THIS CARD IS REVOCABLE AT ANY
TIME BY ORDER OF THE COUNCIL.

If lost report immediately to Council.

Francis Borden
Signature of Appointee.

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*Air Raid Warden Identification card issued to Lillian Frances (Saunders) Borden
by the Santa Clara County Council of Defense*

29 May 1953

Edmund Hillary and Nepalese Sherpa mountaineer Tenzing Norgay became the first climbers to reach the summit of Mount Everest. A lanky, tall man (6 foot 5 inches), Hillary was born in Auckland, New Zealand on 20 July 1919. The conquest of Everest was on the same day as the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II. In recognition the young queen knighted him. Hillary died 11 January 2008 aged 88.



*Edmund Hillary
1919–2008*

In The Superior Court of the State of California
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA

OCT 8 - 1949
ALBERT J. NEWLIN, CLERK
BY J. W. CASSARA DEPUTY

FRANCES BORDEN, Plaintiff
vs.
HARRY I. BORDEN, Defendant

Dept. No. _____
No. 71767

FINAL JUDGMENT OF DIVORCE

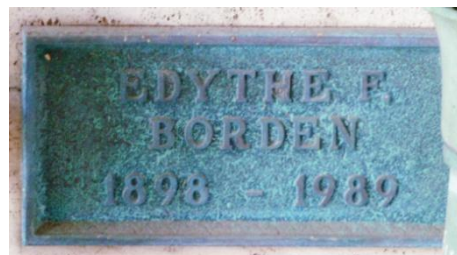
It appearing to the court, upon motion of FRANCES BORDEN, Plaintiff
in the above entitled action, for final judgment therein, that an interlocutory judgment of divorce in favor of Plaintiff
and against Defendant
was made and entered in the said cause on the 30th day of September, 1948
in Judgment Book 45 of said court at page 557, and that no appeal has been taken from said
interlocutory judgment, nor motion made for a new trial therein.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that a divorce be and the same is hereby granted
to FRANCES BORDEN, Plaintiff, and that the marriage
between the said plaintiff and the said defendant be and it is hereby dissolved, and the said parties restored to the status
of single persons.

Done in open Court this 8th day of October, 1949
M. G. DEL MUTOLO
Judge of said Superior Court

After his divorce from Fran in 1948 Harry⁸ Borden married Edythe Flora, daughter of George Flora and Lula Brigham. She was born 10 October 1898 in Oregon and died 18 November 1989 in Monterey, California. Harry and Edythe remained married until his death on 4 May 1967 at the age of 77. The cause of death was *coronary occlusion due to arteriosclerosis*. He was cremated at The Little Chapel-by-the-Sea in Pacific Grove, California where they lived, an area near Carmel in Monterey County.

Harry and Edythe were both interred in the Urn Garden at El Carmelo Cemetery, Pacific Grove, Monterey, California

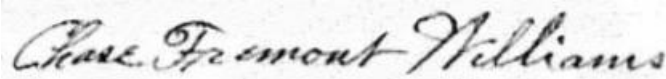


Harry's death was reported in the *Monterey Peninsula Herald* on 5 May 1967:

Harry I. Borden, 77, a resident of Pacific Grove for the past seven years, succumbed unexpectedly yesterday afternoon. He was stricken at his home, 419 Gibson Ave. and a resuscitator squad of the Pacific Grove Fire Department, called at 12:14 p.m., made a futile effort to revive him. He was sent by A1 Ambulance to the Community Hospital, where he was pronounced dead on arrival. An autopsy will determine the exact cause of death. Mr. Borden was born May 10, 1889, in Los Angeles. A veteran of World War I, he served for 30 years prior to his retirement as an auditor in the Engineers Department at the presidio of San Francisco. With his wife, Mrs. Edythe F. Borden, he came in 1960 to establish a home in Pacific Grove. In addition to his wife, he leaves a daughter, Miss Sally N. Borden of Los Angeles; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Jean Peek of Sunnyvale; and a sister, Mrs. Julie Mayfield of Laguna. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow in the Paul Funeral Chapel, with Rev. Wendel Ensor of the First Methodist Church of Pacific Grove officiating. Private inurnment will take place in El Carmelo Cemetery Urn Garden. The Paul Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

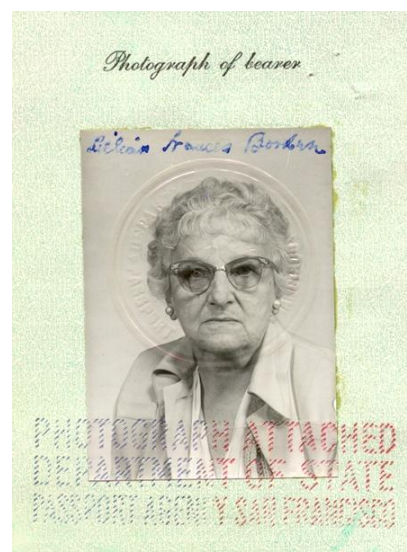
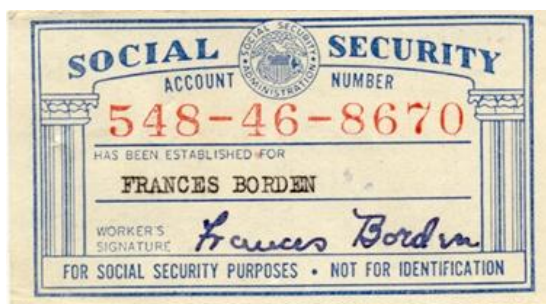
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A longstanding and close personal friend of Fran was a very wealthy man by the name of Chase Fremont Williams. He was born 29 May 1881 in Stockton, California and thus four years her senior. Chase was very fond of his old friend Fran Borden and after her divorce from Harry, their friendship became even closer. Chase Williams had never married and as he had no family, desired Fran to move into his large home and take care of him in his old age. Had her son not been living in Australia she may well have done just that.



Chase Fremont Williams
WWI Draft Registration Form

However, sometime in the mid-1950s Fran decided she would migrate to Australia where she could see out her days with her son and his family. On 13 January 1957, aged 72, she arrived in Sydney. As her son, his wife and their two sons lived in a small two-bedroom flat, arrangements were made for Fran to take up residence in a large boarding house nearby called Ormond Hall. While her room was small it opened out on to a large circular verandah and commanded a panoramic view of Sydney Harbour.



Passport photograph of
Lillian Frances Borden
issued 26 October 1956
in preparation for migration to
Sydney, Australia the following year.

3 January 1959

Alaska becomes the 49th State when President Dwight Eisenhower signed a proclamation admitting Alaska to the Union. The United States had purchased Alaska from the Russian Empire on 30 March 1867 for 7.2 million dollars. The area went through several administrative changes before becoming organized as a territory on 11 May 1912. Alaska is the largest state in the United States, the 3rd least populous and the least densely populated.



Whatever their relationship was when Fran Borden bid farewell to her old friend Chase Fremont Williams, he did not forget her. When he died on October 11, 1964 he bequeathed to her in his Will a legacy of about \$US80,000. While only a fraction of his fortune (Fran may have inherited the bulk if she had stayed with him), this was a substantial windfall to the Saunders family. Fran, now aged 80, had no use for such a large sum of money and gave it to her son, enabling him and his wife, after 30 years of struggle and hardship, to purchase their first home.

Chase William's Death was announced in the *San Francisco Chronicle* on the 13th of October 1964:

WILLIAMS Oct. 11, 1964. Chase F. Williams, devoted son of the late Estella Margaret Williams. Services Tuesday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, at HALSTED & CO., 1123 SUTTER ST.



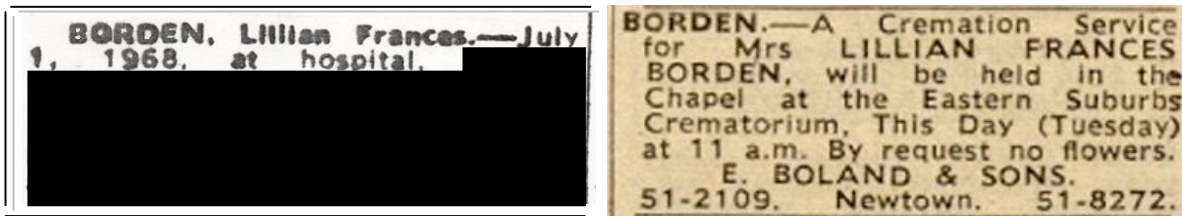
Fran in 1965 aged 80

Fran's life in Sydney was quiet and peaceful. She was happy just to be with her son and grandchildren. She was a devout Christian Scientist and spent many hours reading her bible and related religious publications, always making notations in the margin and underlining what she thought were inspiring passages. When she wasn't reading her bible she worked on her stamp collection, a hobby she acquired many years before.

Fran had an alert and inquiring mind and kept herself conversant with the goings-on in the world. But by 1967, when she was approaching eighty-two years of age, her health had started to deteriorate. Her mental faculties, one of her most admirable attributes, were waning.

She developed unstable diabetes and serious problems with many of her bodily functions. In the latter part of June 1968 she was admitted to St. Vincent's Hospital in Sydney for treatment.

Lillian Frances Chinn Saunders Borden died on Monday, 1 July 1968 in St. Vincent's Hospital, four months short of her 83rd birthday. Her immediate cause of death was *congestive cardiac failure*. However, she had *unstable diabetes mellitus* for some months and had developed a *urinary tract infection*. But, of course, it was simply old age. Her system had run down and her body just gave out. Fran was cremated at the Eastern Suburbs Crematorium (Botany Cemetery) the next day – North Wall, Position 142. She had lived in Australia for eleven years.

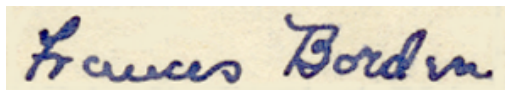


The Sydney Morning Herald – Tuesday, 2 July 1968



Fran Borden, c.1966

With her passing was lost the remaining link to the immediate past generations of the Saunders family. She had saved and preserved numerous bits of family memorabilia, and while she carefully identified many photographs and cited relationships in old scrapbooks, there remains much anonymous material, mostly old photographs taken during her early-married life in San Francisco. Most are probably of friends and acquaintances, though it's likely some are of the many aunts, uncles, cousins and in-laws in San Francisco and Los Angeles.



Fran's signature c.1930

Fran's last Will and Testament was made in San Francisco prior to relocating to Australia. The date of execution is 21 November 1956.

W I L L

I, FRANCES BORDEN, a resident of Santa Clara County, California, declare this to be my last Will, and I do hereby revoke all former wills.

1. I am now a single person, and I have one child by my first marriage, my son.
2. I give, devise and bequeath all my property, both real and personal, and wherever situated, to my son and, if he does not survive me, then I give, devise and bequeath all of such property to my daughter-in-law and, if neither survive me, then I give, devise and bequeath all of such property to the issue of my son by right of representation.
3. I appoint **Norbert S. Babin**, 423 Kearny Street, San Francisco, as Executor to serve without bond.
4. I authorize my Executor, in his discretion, to sell and dispose of any and all of my property, real or personal, either at public or private sale, subject to confirmation by the proper court.
5. This instrument is subscribed by me this 21st day of November, 1956, at Los Gatos, California.

(Sgd.) Frances Borden

The foregoing instrument, consisting of one page, including the page signed by the Testatrix, was subscribed on the date which it bears, by the testatrix, Frances Borden, and at the time of subscribing, was declared by her to be her last Will. The subscription and declaration were made in our presence, we being present at the same time; and we at her request, and in her presence, and in the presence of each other. Have affixed our signatures hereto as witnesses.

(Sgd.) Robert M. Davies	residing at	16070 Mabija Drive Los Gatos, California
(Sgd.) Pat Armstrong	residing at	16615 Ferris Ave., Los Gatos, Calif.



4 October 1957

Sputnik 1 launched. It was the first artificial Earth satellite. The Soviet Union launched it into an elliptical low Earth orbit . It was a 58 cm diameter polished metal sphere, with four external radio antennas to broadcast radio pulses. This surprise success precipitated the American Sputnik crisis and triggered the Space Race, a part of the Cold War. The launch ushered in new political, military, technological and scientific developments.



Lillian⁹ Frances Chinn Saunders Borden was of very short stature—just five feet tall. In that small frame dwelled a vivacious personality and an intelligent mind. She was well-educated and an accomplished pianist. You would not call her a pretty woman. Fran had fairly ordinary light brown hair, greenish eyes and a rather large nose she inherited from her mother, a genetic trait visited on subsequent generations. One has to suppose that her spirit, personality and vivaciousness made up for whatever shortcomings she had in looks. She did, after all, attract two husbands and an ardent admirer, Chase Williams.

She was able to see out her days close to her son, his wife and her grandchildren. The unrecorded and anecdotal family information she took with her in death is immeasurable. While she accumulated and preserved much of what today constitutes the Saunders memorabilia, there remain many questions which only she could have answered.

The reason for her parents' divorce remains a mystery and must have had a fairly profound impact on young Fran who was only about twelve years old at the time. Both her parents remarried and it is not known what her relationship to her new step-mother and step-father was like.

Fran herself was divorced twice. Her marriage to her first husband lasted first husband, John 'Jack' H. Saunders lasted twenty years. The divorce documents state that she was deserted by Jack who had gone to live in Australia where he had met May Agnes Snowdon on an earlier trip. Fran's marriage to Harry Borden lasted twenty-one years. Their divorce appears to have been caused by Harry's excessive drinking problem. Fran had made numerous close friends amongst members of the Borden Family who mostly resided in the Los Angeles area and she continued to keep in touch with them long after her divorce from Harry.

When Fran died her son contacted the attorney in San Francisco who drafted her Will. He in turn passed on the news of Fran's death to her nominated executor Norbert S. Babin of Landry C. Babin Co., Realtors. Norbert was a very close friend of Fran's; indeed her first husband John⁸ Henry Saunders worked for Babin's company for a while in the early years of their marriage (see Chapter 9). On learning of Fran's death Norbert Babin wrote to her son in Australia. His letter is reproduced below as it provides interesting comment on the character and personality of his old friend Fran Borden.

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JULY 12TH, 1968

MR. JOHN H. SAUNDERS
62 - 64 McLACHLAN AVENUE,
RUSHCUTTER BAY,
N. S. W. 2011, AUSTRALIA

DEAR FRIEND JOHN:

THE COMMUNICATION WHICH I RECEIVED FROM MR. DAVIES, ATTORNEY OF LOS GATOS, CAME SOMEWHAT AS A SHOCK, ALTHOUGH I MUST TRUTHFULLY SAY THAT IT HAS NOT BEEN UNEXPECTED. WHEN ONE ATTAINS THE AGE OF YOUR MOTHER, ONE IS LIVING ON BORROWED TIME AND FROM YOUR STANDPOINT YOU SHOULD REALIZE HOW FORTUNATE YOU HAVE BEEN IN HAVING YOUR MOTHER LIVING FOR AS LONG AS SHE DID AND ESPECIALLY HAVING BEEN SO CLOSE TO YOU FOR THE PAST MANY YEARS.

I SHALL ALWAYS REMEMBER HER AS A MOST SINCERE FRIEND AND AS A PERSON WHO LOVED LIFE AND I THINK ENJOYED IT TO ITS FULLEST. OVER THE YEARS THERE WERE UPS AND DOWNS, BUT SHE ALWAYS CAME BACK WITH A SMILE AND "FULL OF FIGHT". THAT IS HOW I LIKE TO REMEMBER HER.

IN THE MATTER OF THE WILL AND HER VERY GRACIOUS GESTURE IN MAKING ME THE EXECUTOR OF IT, I CERTAINLY APPRECIATE HER KIND THOUGHT, BUT IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THERE IS NO ESTATE LEFT IN THIS COUNTRY, THE PICTURE HAVING RADICALLY CHANGED IN THE PAST TWELVE YEARS, IT WOULD SERVE NO PURPOSE TO SET UP A PROBATE OF THE ESTATE IN THIS COUNTRY.

IF, IN DUE COURSE, AFTER HAVING RECEIVED THE WILL FROM MR. DAVIES, YOU WILL FURNISH THE NECESSARY RELEASES WHICH WILL PROBABLY GIVEN TO YOU BY THE COURT IN AUSTRALIA, I SHALL BE HAPPY TO EXECUTE THEM AND RETURN AS SOON AS MAY BE POSSIBLE.

LET ME AGAIN ASSURE YOU THAT I FEEL THAT I HAVE LOST A VERY GOOD FRIEND AND I KNOW THAT YOU HAVE LOST A VERY GOOD MOTHER. NO ONE HAS BEEN ABLE TO "BEAT THE RAP" YET AND THE FUTURE MUST ALWAYS BRING TO US THE THOUGHTS OF THE HAPPINESS WE HAVE ENJOYED WITH OUR LOVED ONES, THOSE WHO ARE GONE AND THOSE WHO REMAIN.

WITH KINDEST PERSONAL REGARDS, I AM

CORDIALLY YOURS,

Norbert
NORBERT S. BABIN

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ENCL.

Summary

LILLIAN⁹ FRANCES CHINN 1885–1968

1885	18 November	Born -	San Francisco, CA. Only child of Thomas Withers Chinn and his wife Lillie Bell (née Smoot).
1888	23 April	Aged 3	Grandfather Bolling Robertson Chinn died.
1893	27 January	Aged 8	Grandmother Frances Sophia Chinn died.
1894	17 October	Aged 9	Great-grandmother Harriet McNeal Smoot died in Virginia aged 91.
1897		Aged 13 -	Parents divorced.
1898	18 May	Aged 14 -	Mother married Jackson T. Pendegast.
1900	12 February	Aged 16	‘Adopted’ Grandfather David L. Smoot died.
1902	16 October	Aged 18	‘Adopted’ Grandmother Laura W. Smoot died.
1905	18 January	Aged 20	Married John Henry Saunders in New York.
1905	18 November	Aged 20	Daughter born – stillborn.
1906	18 April	Aged 21	San Francisco Fire and Earthquake.
1906	May	Aged 21	Moved to Los Angeles.
1907	29 August	Aged 22	Son John Henry Jr. born.
1908		Aged 23	Father married Grace Nutting.
1910		Aged 25	Moved back to San Francisco.
1913	23 June	Aged 28	Father Thomas Withers Chinn died.
1914	December	Aged 29	Husband sailed for New Zealand.
1915	October	Aged 30	Left San Francisco for New Zealand with John Henry Jr and mother Lillie Bell Pendegast.
1917	06 April	Aged 36 -	<i>The United States entered World War I when it declared war on Germany.</i>
1918	April	Aged 33	Returned to San Francisco with son John Jr and ailing mother Lillie Bell Pendegast.
1918	11 November	Aged 38 -	<i>World War I ended when Germany signed the armistice.</i>
1920	29 June	Aged 35	Mother Lillie Bell Pendegast died.
1924	21 February	Aged 39 -	Divorce proceedings commenced against husband John Henry Saunders who is alleged to have deserted Fran to live in Australia.
1925	09 March	Aged 40 -	Final Decree of Divorce granted.
1925	21 March	Aged 40	Ex-husband John Henry Saunders married May Agnes Snowdon in Sydney, Australia.

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1927	12 January	Aged 41	Son sailed to Australia with his father and the latter's new wife May Agnes Snowdon.
1927	22 January	Aged 41	Married Harry Innes Borden in Washington DC.
1927	09 June	Aged 41	Son arrived back in San Francisco.
1927 to 1930			Son at Stanford University.
1931	16 January	Aged 45	Son departed San Francisco for Australia.
1935	17 November	Aged 50	Son married Maureen Frances Meagher in Sydney, Australia.
1936	07 December	Aged 51	Grandchild born.
1939	01 September	Aged 53	<i>World War II started when Germany attacked Poland.</i>
1940	21 April	Aged 59	First husband John Henry Saunders died at his home in Sydney, Australia.

4 June 1941

Kaiser Wilhelm II died. Born Friedrich Wilhelm Viktor Albert von Hohenzollern on 27 January 1859, he was the last German Emperor (Kaiser) and King of Prussia. Wilhelm was the eldest grandchild of Queen Victoria, his mother being her eldest daughter, Victoria, Princess Royal. His bellicose policies helped to bring about WWI. After realizing that Germany would lose the war, he abdicated the throne in November 1918 and fled to the Netherlands where he died in 1941. Wilhelm was born with a withered arm and some say his insecurity over this handicap fueled his later erratic behaviour.



*Kaiser Wilhelm II
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1941	27 July	Aged 59	Grandson born.
1941	07 December	Aged 61	Pearl Harbour bombed by Japanese. America enters WWII.
1943		Aged 62	Son enlists in US Army.
1945	07 May	Aged 59	<i>War in Europe ended – Germany surrendered.</i>
1945	02 September	Aged 59	<i>War in the Pacific ended – Japan surrendered.</i>
1947	03 June	Aged 61	Son with wife and two children arrive San Francisco.
1948	08 October	Aged 63	Divorced from Harry Innes Borden.
1957	13 January	Aged 71	Migrated to Sydney, Australia.
1967	04 May	Aged 81	Second husband Harry Innes Borden died in California.
1968	01 July	Aged 82	Died at St Vincent's Hospital in Sydney, Australia.

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Chapter Twelve
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