

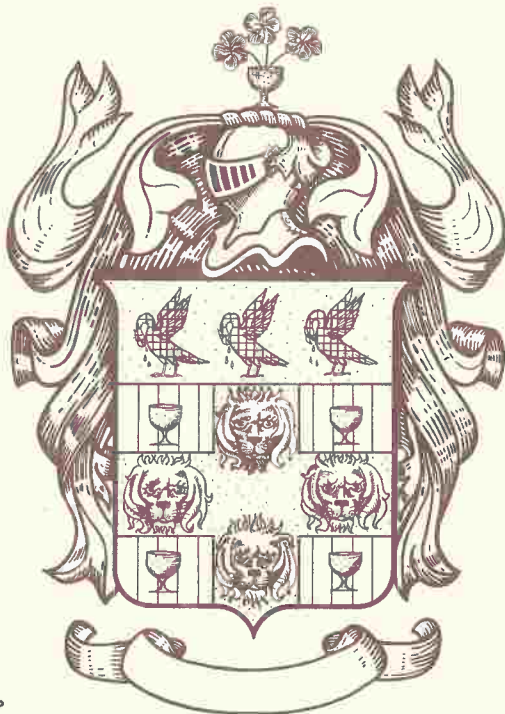
FREDERICK

~~Fredrick~~ William
and Emma
Spencer Giles

Married

27 Nov. 1901

Coat of Arms



Giles

Historiography

The Giles Coat of Arms illustrated left was drawn by an heraldic artist from information officially recorded in ancient heraldic archives. Documentation for the Giles Coat of Arms design can be found in Burke's General Armory. Heraldic artists of old developed their own unique language to describe an individual Coat of Arms. In their language, the Arms (shield) is as follows:

"Gu on a cross betw. four chalices or, as many lions' heads full-faced ppr. on a chief of the second three pelicans sa."

When translated the Arms description is:

"Red: on a gold cross between four gold chalices, four naturally colored lions' heads, full-faced; on a gold upper third three black pelicans."

Above the shield and helmet is the Crest which is described as:

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Family mottoes are believed to have originated as battle cries in medieval times.

The Motto recorded with the Giles Coat of Arms is:

"PENSEZ A MOI"
(Think Of Me)

Individual surnames originated for the purpose of more specific identification. The four primary sources for second names were: occupation, location, father's name and personal characteristics. The surname Giles appears to be patronymical in origin, and is believed to be associated with the English, meaning, "descendant of Giles (shield-bearer)." The supplementary sheet included with this report is designed to give you more information to further your understanding of the origin of names. Different spellings of the same original surname are a common occurrence. Dictionaries of surnames indicate probable spelling variations. The most prominent variations of Giles are Gile, Gyle and Gyles.

Information available to us indicates that in 1971 there were approximately 7250 heads of households in the United States with the old and distinguished Giles name. The United States Census Bureau in 1970 estimated that there were approximately 3.1 persons per household in America which yields an approximate total of 22,475 people in the United States carrying the Giles name. Although the figure seems relatively low, it does not signify the many important contributions that individuals bearing the Giles name have made to history.

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5. CHARLES
 Md. Margaret Brinkerhoff
 1. Fannie Afton (Wadsworth)
 2. Wealthy (Orton)
 3. Irene (Hickenoper)
 4. Freemond
 5. Willis
 6. Charles Ellis
 7. Melvin Levi
 8. Lewis Henry
 9. Lois Arvilla (Sorensen)
 10. Julia May (Spaulding)
 11. Elvin Leroy

6. WILLIAM
 Md. Sarah Hogg
 1. Genevieve (Geary) *Paul DAD*
 2. Robert Henry
 3. Mary (Whittier) *SHORT*
 4. Bernice Adra
 5. Rulon
 6. Leah
 7. Elmer *- fug*
 8. Smith
 9. Ann (Larson)
 10. Fannie (Hodgson)
 11. Wilma (Foster)
 12. Woodrow

4. ANNA MARIE
 Md. Joseph Lyman Mechem
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 2. Sarah Marie
 3. George Wallace
 4. Emeline Ann (Evans)
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 6. William Parlay
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 8. Marion Rexford
 9. Grace (Allen)
 10. Milford LeGrande
 11. Golden Reed

7. ELIZABETH
 Md. William Eli Kilbourn
 1. Edna May (Navin)
 2. Eloree (Stanciliff)
 3. Pearl Leone (Wolff)

3. JOHN GEORGE
 Md. Amy Alicia Hanks
 1. Eva Alicia (Caffall)
 2. Edna Mable (Williams)
 3. John Ray
 4. Ruby Laura (White)
 5. Ruth Naomi (Paries)
 6. Theodore Hanks
 7. Amy (Rogers)

8. FANNIE
 Md. Charles Turner--Died
 No Children
 Md. Joseph E. Francis
 1. Charles Turner
 2. Joseph Henry
 3. Frank James

2. FREDRICK WILLIAM
 Md. Emma Rebecca Spencer
 1. Lula Marie (Barker)
 2. Ada Myrtle (Thurston)
 3. Arthur Fredrick
 4. Charles L.
 5. Irvin W.
 6. Ethel (Sorensen)
 7. Thomas H.

9. MINNIE
 Md. Henry Samuel Florence
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 2. Sarah Alma
 3. Carson Floyd
 4. Howard Fielding
 5. Louis Albert
 6. Leonard Giles
 7. Lottie Virginia (Hunt) *James Hunt*
 8. Parley Kesler
 9. Edna Rohena (Dawson)
 10. William Shirley

1. HENRY
 Md. Elizabeth E. Mechem
 1. Bertha (White)
 2. Henry
 3. Fredrick
 4. Lydia (Bacon)
 5. Fayetteer
 6. John
 7. Samuel Morris
 8. Ann (Jorgensen)

10. ALBERT
 Md. Martha Bertoch
 1. Albert Loyal
 2. Martha Iva
 Md. Effie Jane Porter
 1. Alma Reed
 2. Myron
 3. Thora (Ray)
 4. Cora (Nish)
 5. Porter
 6. Chester
 7. Harvey
 8. Helen Beth (Bolton)
 9. Lois (Matchell)

11. DAVID
 Md. Hild Gorder
 1. Merrald
 2. Olena Ann
 3. Ruby (White)
 4. Marvin
 5. Beth (Rose)

JOHN HENRY GILES
 2nd Wife
 ANN KINGMAN

PATCHES

[Handwritten signatures and scribbles]

Frederick William

GILES

Emma Rebecca

SPENCER







Signed, James B. Rich GROOM. *to the Church of Jesus Christ of L.D.S*
Signed, Emily J. Brough BRIDE. *and was a present mutual agreement*
marriage between them both for all time

IN PRESENCE OF

Ges. H. Taylor
Alfred L. Johnson } Witnesses.

John B. Wicks
Elder of the Church of Jesus Christ of L.D.S.

Filed for Record this 5th day of December A. D. 181901

William Robison
Clerk of the Probate Court.

By _____ Deputy.

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8-24-33



Preceding
1964



Funeral Services for
EMMA REBECCA SPENCER GILES

Saturday, July 18, 1964
2:00 P.M.

Milton Ward Chapel
Bishop George F. Rhodes, conducting



BORN

December 9, 1877 at Centerville, Utah

Daughter of Thomas and
Emma Priscilla Porter Spencer

Married Frederick William Giles Nov. 27, 1901
Mr. Giles Died April 10, 1931

DIED

July 15, 1964 at Salt Lake City, Utah

Memorial Services



Family Prayer prior to Funeral Service
led by - - - William Barker
Prelude and Postlude Music - - -
- - - Ward Organist
Invocation - - - Bruce Giles
Musical Selection - Ladies Double Trio
Speaker - - - Walter Dale Francis
Organ Solo - - - Eileen Johnson
Speaker - - - Bishop Glen Schott
(Bishop of the McKay 2nd Ward
of Salt Lake City)
Remarks - Bishop George F. Rhodes
Musical Selection - Ladies Double Trio
Benediction - - - Herbert Whittier
Interment - Mountain View Cemetery
Dedication of Grave - Lyman Meacham

PALL BEARERS

William Barker	Bert Mezenen
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Care of the flowers by the Relief Society
Sisters of the Milton Ward.

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Rebecca's family settled in Morgan County, Utah in the town known as Porterville. Sanford Porter, Jr., Rebecca's maternal grandfather, founded the town of Porterville. Sanford Porter, Jr., while on duty as scout in the winter of 1857, rode into Hardscrabble Canyon. He later established residency in the area and called it Porterville. At a young age, Rebecca lived in the family home in Porterville. She attended school through the eight grade and received an education. She attended the L.D.S. church with her family and learned to incorporate its teaching at an early age. Rebecca's mother taught her to cook, clean, and take care of all the duties required of women. These household duties helped prepare her for marriage. As the eldest daughter of eighty children, she had many responsibilities. Rebecca also had responsibilities on the farm. Thomas, her father, was a farmer. She assisted with milking, which helped prepare her for farm life with Frederick William Giles.

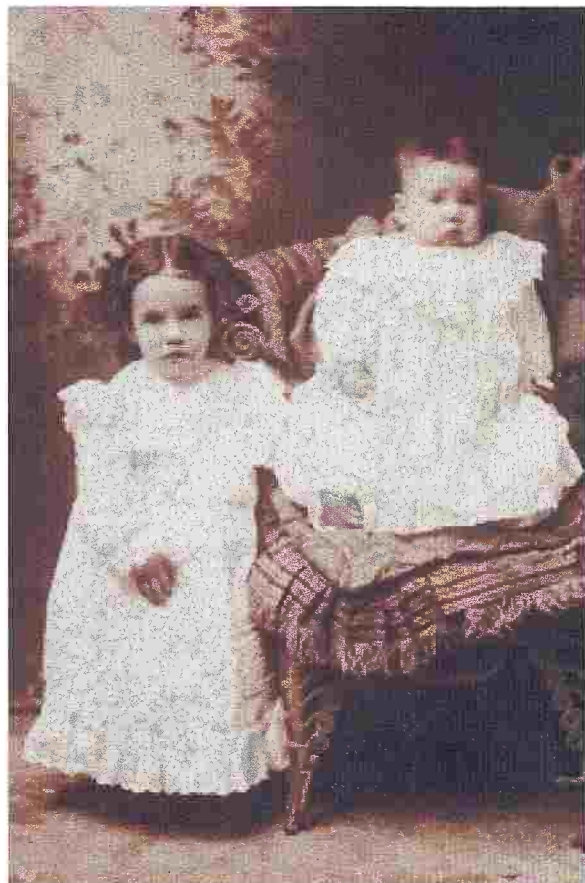
Frederick William Giles died 11 April 1931, at Littleton, Weber, Utah. Rebecca died 15 July 1964 at the home of her daughter, Lula Marie Giles Barker, where she had been living for the past 17 Years. Frederick and Rebecca had seven children.

Lula Marie

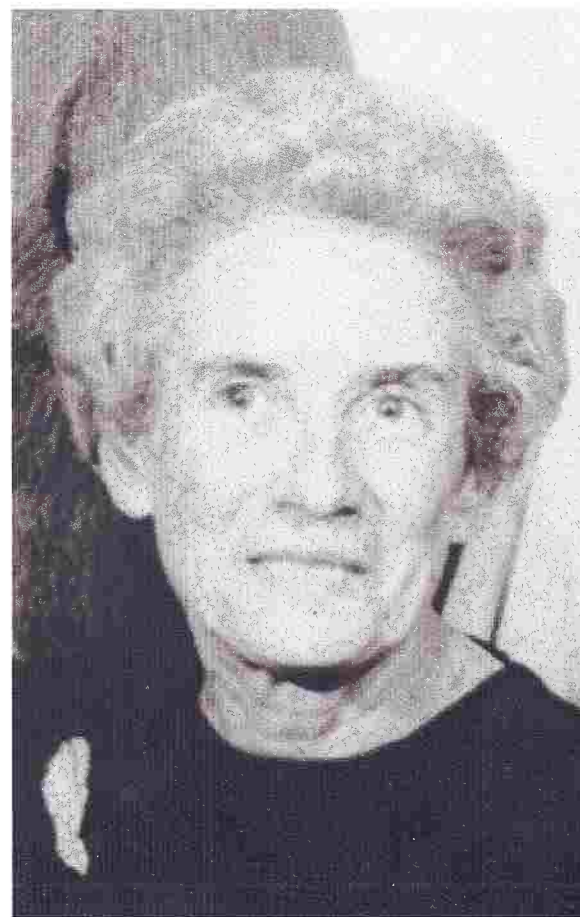
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Barker

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LULA M. GILES BARKER





Lula and
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Bill Barker
Tallest w/glasses
Paul Barker



Lydia and Paul

have chosen

Wednesday, December 14, 1977

as the day they will be joined together

as husband and wife

and unite their love

for time and all eternity

in the Salt Lake Temple

Their Parents

Mr. and Mrs. Diomedes Paredes

and

Mr. and Mrs. William Barker

request the pleasure of your company

at a reception honoring the couple

Friday, December 16, from 7:30 until 9:30

The Lion House

63 East South Temple

Salt Lake City, Utah

Happy
HOLIDAYS



*Wishing you peace, love, and joy this holiday
season.*

The Barker Family 2009



We hope you had a wonderful Holiday Season
(we are a little behind times)

So many things happened since we saw you last,
during our 2 yrs. Mission to Nicaragua and
after. We hope you and your family are doing
well.

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Have a Wonderful Valentine's Day

Love

Paul & Lindsa Barker

P.S. 2 Boys, additions to our family (not on this picture).

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Lots of Love
from Our
Family



The
Barker's

Dear Cousins:

We wish you a wonderful
Christmas Season and the
best of years to come.

We hope we see you
this summer.

With Love

Paul & Lidia

Stephen & Nadia

Amy, Justin & Crystal



Eva "Rebecca" Barker Malmgren

1947 ~ 2016

Rebecca Malmgren, beloved mother, grandmother, aunt and sister returned peacefully to her Father in Heaven, Saturday the 31st of December. At the time of her death Rebecca was in the arms of her sweetheart and surrounded by her loved ones.

Rebecca was born on the 21st of June, 1947 to William Franklin Barker and Lula Marie Giles in Salt Lake City, Utah. In 1968 she married the love of her life, Clark Malmgren. They made

many fond memories together and tried to live every day to its fullest.

Rebecca loved picnics, sunsets, and travel. She and Clark were fortunate enough to visit many wonderful places including Sweden, Italy, Estonia, Greece, Belgium, Hawaii, Spain and three cruises. Rebecca also enjoyed spending time at the gym, doing water aerobics, as well as reading and knitting. Rebecca shared her love of life and spread happiness everywhere she went.

She received a Bachelor's in Elementary Education from Southern Oregon University and went on to teach 4th grade at Wilson Elementary in the Medford School District. Rebecca loved every child she taught and looked forward to work every day.

Rebecca spent many years faithfully serving in the LDS church. She served as a Relief Society President and Young Women's President. She also extended her love of teaching children by spending several years serving in the primary.

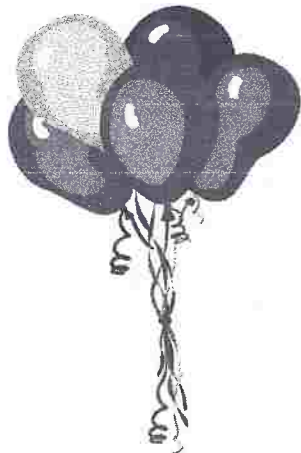
Rebecca accomplished many things in her life, but said that her greatest achievement was raising two wonderful, intelligent, warm, fun, exceptional children. Rebecca loved her children and grandchildren very much.

She is survived by her husband Clark Malmgren; her children Michael Malmgren (Elisabeth) and Jeri Hazelton (Tom); her brother Paul Barker (Lydia); her Malmgren grandchildren Madison (16), Brigham (14), Chase (11), Davis (9) and her Hazelton grandchildren Emily (20), Amber (18), Adam (16), Jenna (9), TJ (8), Bailey (2). She is preceded in death by her brother William Barker (Joleen) and her sister Carol Barker.

Rebecca had a strong testimony of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and is joyfully reunited with her eternal family.

As per her wishes there will be no funeral. In lieu of flowers Rebecca would like donations sent to Wilson Elementary to be used for the Wilson High School Scholarship Fund.

Come Celebrate



*a Century of
Greatness!*

Lula Barker's
100th Birthday

Date:

Saturday, August 17, 2002

Time: 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

No gifts please.

Place: Waterloo Ward

1623 South 500 East

Salt Lake City

RSVP:

Bill Barker 447-8436

Carol Barker 466-8445

Lula Marie Giles Barker



"Devoted to Family"

Lula Marie Giles Barker passed away on November 23, 2002 after 100 years, with her family at her side. She was born August 19, 1902 to Frederick William and Emma Rebecca Spencer Giles in Littleton, Morgan, Utah.

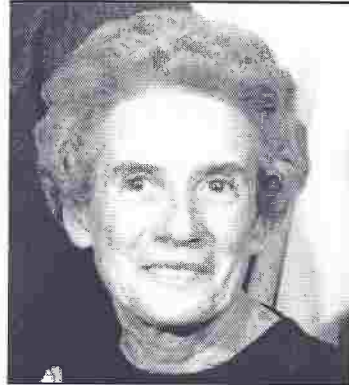
Lula led a long, rich life, filled with love, humor, and spirituality. She left a great legacy to her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1925 in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and then in the Oakland-San Francisco area. She married William Franklin Barker, November 10, 1937, for time and all eternity in the Salt Lake Temple. Lula served in many Church callings. She especially loved children, serving faithfully in the Primary organization for fifty-two years, and in the Relief Society Nursery for many years. Her hands were always busy - crocheting, quilting, gardening and canning. Our hearts and minds are full of her kind, gentle, and caring nature. Her generosity touched many, for she always put her family before herself. She was an extraordinary mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, always understanding, supportive, and compassionate. Anyone who was fortunate to have known her was truly blessed.

Lula is survived by two sons, William Franklin (Joleen) Barker, Farmington, Utah; Paul Giles (Lidia) Barker, Sandy, Utah; and two daughters, Carol Barker, Salt Lake City, Utah; Becky (Clark) Malmgren, Medford, Oregon. Twelve grandchildren and ten great grandchildren also survive her. Lula was preceded in death by her husband William F. Barker; parents; brothers Arthur, Charles, Irving, Thomas; sisters Ada and Ethel.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, November 27, 2002 at 11 a.m. at the Waterloo Ward, 1623 South 500 East. Viewing will be 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral. Friends may call at the Colonial Memorial Mortuary, 2128 South State Street, Tuesday, November 26, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Interment will take place at the Salt Lake City Cemetery.

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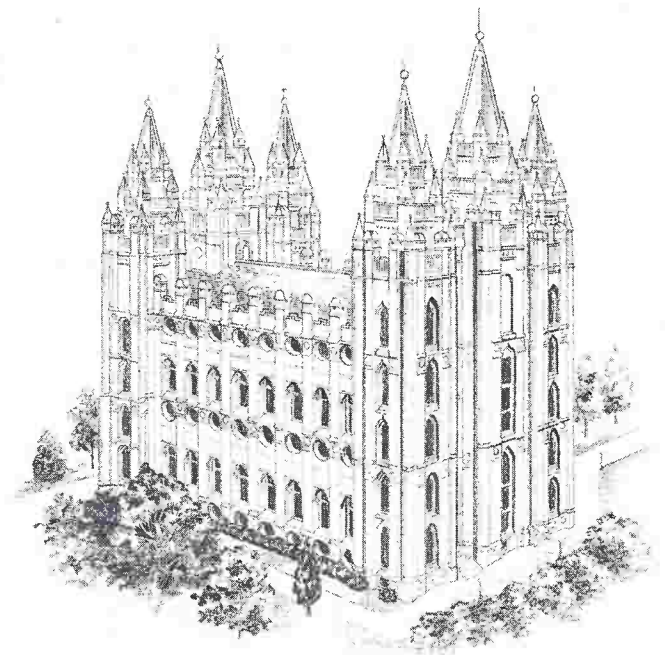
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In Memory of

LULA MARIE GILES BARKER

BORN: August 19, 1902 ~ Littleton, Morgan, Utah

DIED: November 23, 2002 ~ Sandy, Utah

Daughter of: Frederick William Giles
& Emma Rebecca Spencer Giles

Wife of: William Franklin Barker
(Deceased March 16, 1983)

FUNERAL SERVICES

Wednesday ~ November 27, 2002 ~ 11:00 A.M.

Waterloo Ward

1623 South 500 East, Salt Lake City, Utah.

PALLBEARERS

Michael D. Standing Michael C. Malmgren
Matt D. Standing Stephen P. Barker
W. Travis Barker Justin P. Barker

Eric F. Barker

INTERMENT, Salt Lake City Cemetery
200 North "N" Street

Funeral Directors, Colonial Mortuary
2128 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah

SERVICES

Conducting Bishop Robert Hartvigsen

Family Prayer Stephen Paul Barker

Prelude / Postlude Music Edith Reed

Invocation Becky Barker Malmgren

Musical Selection Janice Hansen
"Primary Medley"

Speaker Carol Barker

Musical Selection Elmary Davidson
"Beautiful Zion, Built Above"

Speaker William F. Barker

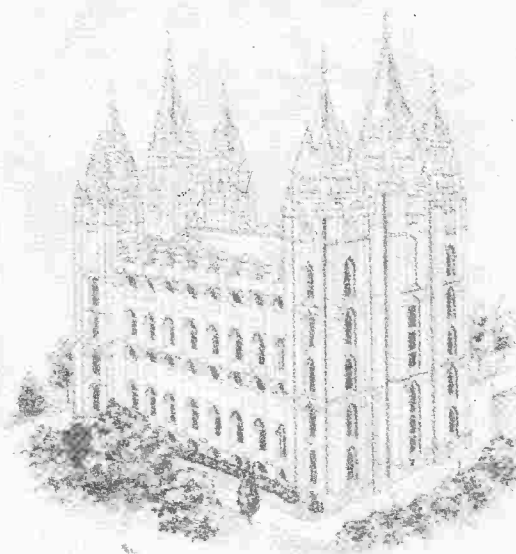
Daughters of the Utah Pioneer Tribute
by Evelyn Wood

Closing Remarks Bishop Robert Hartvigsen

Musical Selection Grandchildren
"I Am A Child of God"

Benediction Clark James Malmgren

Dedication of Grave Paul Giles Barker
Graveside Service Bruce Hansen, bagpipes



In Memoriam

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LULA'S
HUSBAND

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR

WILLIAM FRANKLIN BARKER

BORN
April 3, 1893 - Pleasant View, Utah

DIED
March 16, 1983 - Salt Lake City, Utah

Son of George Franklin Barker and
Eva Shaw Barker
Husband of Lula Marie Giles Barker

SERVICES
Saturday, March 19, 1983 - 11 a.m.
Waterloo Ward Chapel - 1623 South 500 East

PALLBEARERS
William Franklin Barker Don Colvin
Paul Giles Barker Bob Colvin
Travis Barker Gary Colvin
Eric Barker Andres Montero

INTERMENT
Salt Lake City Cemetery - 4th Ave. and 'N' St.

Funeral Directors
LARKIN MORTUARY - Salt Lake City, Utah

SERVICES

Bob Koenig, conducting

FAMILY PRAYERWilliam Franklin Barker

PRELUDE MUSICFay Seeley

INVOCATIONWerner Niebuhr

SPEAKERJohn Reed

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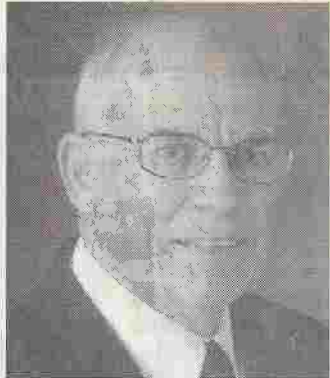
BENEDICTIONPaul Giles Barker

POSTLUDE MUSICFay Seeley

DEDICATION OF THE GRAVE
Bob Colvin

William Franklin Barker

1938 ~ 2008



William Franklin Barker, born 28 July, 1938 in Salt Lake City, Utah, the first son of William F. Barker and Lula Marie Giles, passed away peacefully at home on 18 May 2008, in Farmington, Utah after a valiant battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease).

Bill attended South High School and the University of Utah. He served a mission to Western Canada for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. When he returned from his mission, he spent six months in the Utah Army National Guard as a newspaper reporter. Later, Bill was hired as a civilian by Hill Air Force Base to work on the Minuteman missile guidance system. He continued to work in electronics and retired after 35 years with the U.S. Government in December 2000. Church service was always important to Bill. He served with the High Priest Group Leadership and enjoyed serving with the Bishopric as executive secretary for many years.

In September 2005, Bill and his wife Joleen were called to serve in the Washington Tacoma Mission as records preservation missionaries for the LDS Church Family History Department. For many years, Bill had a great love for family history and spent many happy hours writing his history and recording his genealogy. Bill also enjoyed gardening, fishing, reading, traveling, golfing and watching old movies with his eternal sweetheart.

He is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Joleen of Farmington, Utah; his children, Michael (Vicki) Standing, Lehi, Utah; Matt (Lyn) Standing, Ogden, Utah; Cynthia D. (Gary) Mitchell, Conifer, Colorado; Travis (Heather) Barker; Salt Lake City, Utah; Eric (Tammy) Barker; Bountiful, Utah. He also leaves behind 10 grandchildren: Jenna Standing, Zach and Wes Mitchell, Chelsea and Austin Barker, and Kyle, Bethany, Spencer, Joshua, and Natalie Standing. In addition he leaves behind his two sisters, Carol Barker and Rebecca (Clark) Malmgren, and one brother, Paul (Lidia) Barker.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William F. Barker and Lula Marie Giles; and his first wife, Beth Craven Barker.

The family wishes to thank all the neighbors, friends, and Ward members who loved Bill, assisted with his care, and supported Joleen during this difficult time with many hours of service.

Funeral services will be held Fri., May 23, 2008 at 11 a.m. at the Farmington 21st Ward Chapel, 729 West Shepard Lane, Farmington, Utah. Friends and family may call Thurs. from 6-8 p.m. at Russon Mortuary, 1941 North Main, Farmington and Friday at the church from 10-10:45 a.m. Online guest book at www.russonmortuary.com

Interment at Salt Lake City Cemetery, 4th Avenue and "N" Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Ada Myrtle

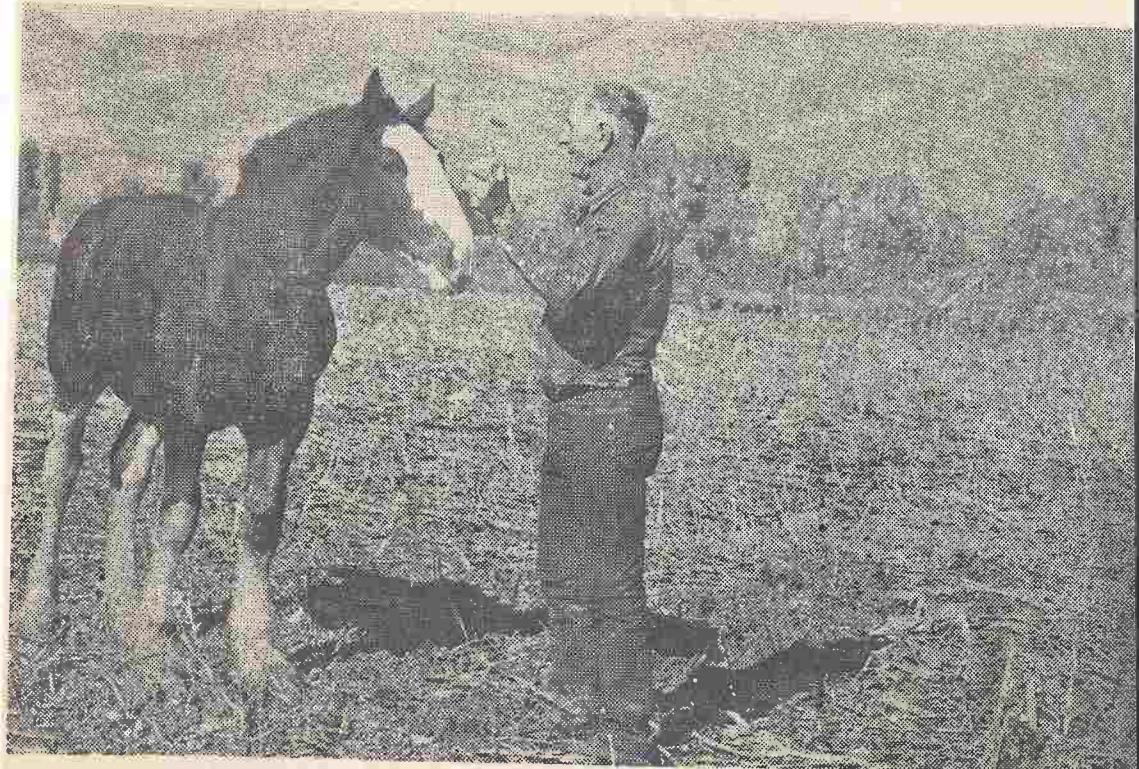
GILES

Thurston





GLEN THURSTON IS MORGAN MASTER FARMER



Glen Thurston, this year's Master Farmer of Morgan County, is in a typical pose with two of his great loves—the land and a Clydesdale colt. This is part of the leveled land upon which he raises record corn, and the friendly youngster is one of the Clydesdale herd which has made the Thurston ranch famous.

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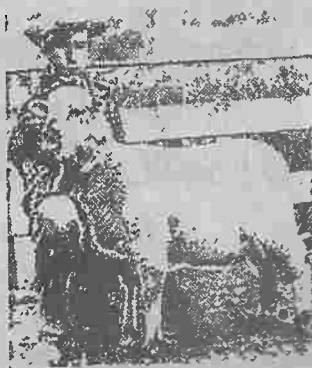
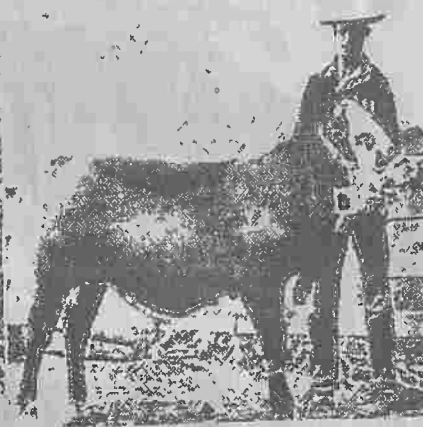
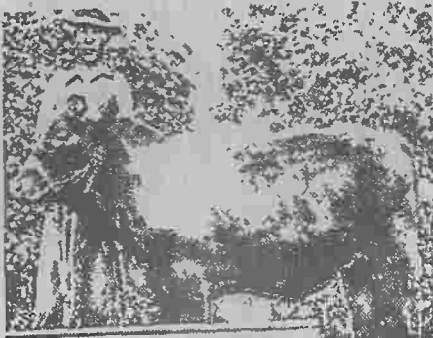
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Future Farmers Plan Showing



These three Future Farmer boys plan exhibit at North Salt Lake show on June 3, 4, and 5. At top (left) is Myron Rollins and (right) Fred Thurston. Shown with his lamb at left is John Clark.

Morgan County Sets Six-day Campaign In Food Program

Committees Selected for Collection of Food and Funds for UNRRA; Quota Set at 50 Cents Each

A six-day drive in Morgan county, on behalf of UNRRA for emergency food collection will begin on Monday, June 3, and continue through June 8, according to Raymond Larson, chairman of the local committee.

Representatives will call at all homes in the county, and citizens are urged to have contributions ready and give liberally for those unfortunates in foreign countries. The Morgan county goal has been set at 50 cents per person. "Give more and double our quota," Mr. Larson urges.

Representatives in the drive are listed as follows: Daisy Crouch and Richard Carter, South Morgan; Mrs. Merle Creager and J. B. Storrs, North Morgan; Mrs. Alice Mecham, Milton; Russell Rock, Peterson; Mrs. Florence Carter, Porterville; Francis Porter, Devil's Slide, and Horace Thackeray, Crofton. A representative from Rich-

mittee will sponsor the Emergency Food Collection. Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace is National Chairman, and Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt and Herbert H. Lehman, former Director General of U. N. R. R. A. are Honorary Chairmen. The Emergency Food Collection is on behalf of U. N. R. R. A.

More food can be obtained for a given amount of money if it can be bought centrally and in large quantities. Considerable saving in the cost of collection packing and

All set for the annual Junior Fat Livestock show at North Salt Lake on June 3, 4 and 5, are three Morgan county youths, members of the local chapter, Future Farmers of America.

These three young men have been grooming their animals for the coming show, under the direction of H. Pratt Wright, vocational agricultural teacher at Morgan high school.

Myron Rollins, 16, son of Mrs. Oscar Rollins of Mountain Green, will show a Shorthorn steer, while Fred Thurston, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Thurston, will enter his Hereford steer in the show. John Clark, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Royal Clark will show his Hampshire lamb at the exhibition.

Entry lists for the 10th annual show total 2044 animals entered by 845 members of 4-H and FFA clubs from Utah, Idaho, Wyoming and Nevada. The entry figure is not only an all-time record for the Utah exhibition but is also an all-time high for exclusively junior shows in the nation, according to Merrill Parkin, show manager.

The Intermountain Junior Fat Stock show is sponsored, annually by the Salt Lake county commission, Gwynne Page, chairman; the Salt Lake City chamber of commerce James A. Hooper, chairman; livestock committee; State of Utah Don E. Kenney, livestock representative in the agricultural department, and the Davis county commission, Amasa R. Howard, chairman. Merrill Parkin is show manager.

Ted Peterson Is Named Head of Weed Committee

Edward M. (Ted) Peterson has been named weed supervisor of Morgan county, succeeding his father, James E. Peterson, who died on May 16.

Mr. Peterson assumes his new duties under supervision of the Morgan county weed eradication committee, composed of Lincoln Jensen, chairman; Nat Taggart, secretary; Carl Phillips and Howard Francis.

The committee announces that the county has purchased a truck and power spraying machine for use in applying 2-4-D, the chemical known as Weedone.

Weed spraying operations will be carried on as rapidly as possible and as far as the equipment and services of one man will allow.

Farmers of the county are urged to report their weed infestations to Mr. Peterson or members of the committee for assistance and recommendation on weed problems. Infestations of white top and Canada thistle should be reported at the present time, because they are weeds requiring attention under the spraying program.

Double-header Is Played Thursday At Fair Grounds

A large crowd was in attendance at the opening games of the Morgan baseball league, Memorial day, at the Fair grounds.

Richville took 7 to 3 decision from Milton, while Devil's Slide trumped on Peterson to the tune of 7 to 1.

Ray Wiscombe and Gail Mortensen pitched for Richville and Grant Rich caught. On the mound for Milton was Ray Mecham and Lincoln Jensen. Max Jenkins was the catcher.

Harvey Porter did mound duty for the Slide, with Vern Richins catching. Alfred Bohman and Fred Bohman pitched for Peterson, with Roland Bohman and Fred Bohman catching the game.

Richville and Peterson will be featured in a non-league encounter at 3 p. m. Saturday at the Fair grounds. Nat Taggart, secretary of the league has announced.

League competition will begin on June 8, with six teams to be entered in the season's fracas. Teams to play this year will be Richville, Peterson, Morgan, Milton, Devil's Slide and Porterville, Mr. Taggart said.

Will Select County's Best 'All Around' 4-H Club Girl for 1946

Who will be the most outstanding "all around" 4-H Club girl in this

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Morgan Co Win Ho Kays

Morgan county walked off with prizes at the show conducted the Davis Co Mounted Posse.

Entering in events of the city Whittier, M. J. Sommers, Spike Bob Rees.

In the calf Phillips took first second, Bob Rees the steer riding stock horse Rees took first placed second.

Morgan Girls Invited to '47 Queen

An invitation to and the princess conducted by the extended to the y Morgan county. E be obtained at the Daughters of Utah State Capitol in

Girls entering the queen, who w the main events '47 celebration sch 16 to 24, must be 18 and 25. Co princess division r the ages of 16 an with pioneer ance to Utah on or befo is eligible to comp ors. A good ph accompany each a contest will close the judging will b at the Hotel Utah.

Every girl who test will be an a queen at the coro 16 and at the pior the U stadium on July 23 and 24.

Inquiries should Mrs. Ellen C. Du of the contestants U. P. State Capi City, Utah.

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Glen Thurston

MORGAN - Glen Harris Thurston, 91, passed away Thursday, Jan. 18, 1996 at his home in Morgan.

He was born Sept. 19, 1904 to Bert Harris and May Peterson Thurston in Milton, Utah.

On November 27, 1925, he married Ada Myrtle Giles in the Salt Lake Temple. She died Aug. 1, 1994.

A high priest in the LDS Church, Morgan 2nd Ward, he had served in many positions including Elder's



Quorum Presidency. He was a Scout Master for the Boy Scouts.

Glen was a lifetime farmer, raising Clydesdales and cattle. He had worked for the railroad during World War II. He enjoyed working at Lagoon, running the stagecoach ride with his beloved Clydesdales for many years. He and his wife, Ada, took part in the movie, "The Donner Party."

He was a member of the National Clydesdale Association and also a member of the Morgan Lions Club. Glen served as a Moran County Commissioner for four years and served several terms as State Legislator. He was president of the County Officials Association, served on the Morgan County Fair Board, a member of the Morgan Draft Board, and a member of the Morgan County Soil Conservation District Board.

Surviving are two sons and three daughters: Dale (Barbara) Thurston, Morgan; Fred (Jean) Thurston, Morgan; Connie (Bob) Ford, Tenino, Wash.; Nell (James) Nickerson, Whitman, Mass.; and Ann (Michael) McMillian, Morgan; 31 grandchildren, 66 great grandchildren and nine great great grandchildren.

Also surviving are two sisters: Tillie Steed, Farmington, Utah and Betty Mecham, Morgan.

He was preceded in death by a son, Steve; daughter, Sally Rust; a brother and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday, Jan. 22, 1996 at 1 p.m. in the Morgan Second Ward Chapel. Friends may call at the Walker Mortuary in Morgan, Sunday from 6 to 8 p.m. and Monday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Interment, Milton Cemetery.



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Thurston Family Still Has...

Plenty of Horsepower

Anne Anderson
TMCN Publisher

To visit with Dale and Barbara Thurston is to take a visit back in time to Morgan's rich past...to the days when Dale and his brothers rode their horses to school and worked with the horses on the family farm. Barbara also grew up on a farm in Garland, Utah.

When you first walk into the home of Barbara and Dale Thurston, it is immediately a very warm and inviting place to be. Not only does the couple greet you, but also their poodle Frosty. Frosty rides in the wagon with Barbara and Dale when they hitch up their team of Clydesdales to give wagon and hayrides.

Frosty has become a part of the Thurston family tradition of raising Clydesdales to be part of a pulling team of draft horses. Frosty is ten years old and really enjoys being around the horses and he absolutely loves to see all of the children when the Thurstons go to an event to show their horses or give wagon and hay rides. He can usually be found sitting in between Barbara and Dale on the wagon. He also loves to ride around the farm on a four wheeler with Barbara.

Dale and Barbara will be married for 54 years this coming year. When they married, Barbara had three children with her first husband who passed away. Dale and Barbara later had three children together and they combined to have a family of six children: Nadine, Tom, Lana, Delbert, Mark and Todd. When Dale first asked Barbara to marry him, she reminded him that she did have three children and he just might be a fool. Dale thought no such thing and so he asked her when they should marry. She decided she

would make it easy for him and set their wedding date on his birthday so he would always remember their anniversary. It didn't work.

After listening to the Thurstons talking about their horse business and all of the great memories of their friends, family and Morgan over the years, it is clear that they have been very successful in making one strong family. Just as two Clydesdales in a team of horses have to pull together in unison to take their load forward and make progress, Dale and Barbara have pulled together in continuing the family business and in raising a close family. They now have twenty-three grandchildren and forty-three great grandchildren.

Up until three years ago, the Thurston's worked at Lagoon in Pioneer Village since it opened about thirty years ago. They worked there either five or six days a week taking Sundays off for a long time. Barbara eventually needed to take off Mondays since it was a slower day at the park and then they worked Tuesdays through Saturdays.

Barbara said that they had many good experiences while working there, but her favorite part was watching the children who were seeing horses for the very first time in person. They were so excited and many of the mothers would ask if their child could touch one of the draft horses.

She had one very fond memory of a little boy who was at Lagoon with his dad. He was fascinated by the large horses but was scared to get too close. Barbara finally convinced him that it was okay to get closer and pet one. After that, he went for a wagon ride and she has never seen a more happy young boy as him. She said when



Dale and Barbara Thurston stand with Charlie and Black Jack before giving hay rides at the Morgan Courthouse on Saturday.

she has an experience like that, "...it just makes your day!"

Dale said that his family, his granddad and dad, always had horses...he never remembered a time when they did not have horses. Their family business was to buy horses cheap and then break them and sell them. The beginnings of having the Clydesdale horses on the farm began in the thirties when his dad bought two mares from Captain Carr who bought and sold horses for the cavalry. That was in 1936 and there have been Clydesdale horses on the farm ever since.

Working with the horses is a lot of work and not without its risks. When Dale was only eight years old, he was helping with the horse drawn equipment to pick up hay on a hilly section. They were just wrapping up for their dinner when the horses were startled and started to run away. Another boy fell off but Dale was dragged and thrown around by a horse. He was so banged up that they did not know if he would live. He had a broken leg, arm, and some ribs. He was hospitalized for several weeks and it took him a long time to recover. When asked if that ever made him leery around the horses, he simply replied, "Never."

In the living room of their home, they have several pictures of their horses over the years and also many awards for them. This year they received a plaque which reads, "2009 Heritage Hall of Fame Clydesdale Breeders of the USA" when they traveled to Springfield, Illinois for a national convention. They were surprised to receive this recognition for their work with these animals over these many years.

The Thurstons have a lot of stories to tell about their experiences with horses and about living and

raising a family in Morgan. The Thurston family has been giving hay rides when Santa comes to Morgan at Christmastime for over seventy years. Barbara and Dale took over the family tradition about twenty-five years ago but before that it was Dale's father Glen who held the reigns.

Dale believes that it all started when was in the fourth grade and his brother Steve was in the first grade. There was snow covering all of the roads around the school. His dad, Glen was talking to Steve's school teacher one day and he said he wanted to come up and take the kids at the school on a sleigh ride. She agreed and he came back with the hitched up sleigh and took the kids for a ride around the block and, of course, they loved it. Dale said that his dad and the teacher received chastisement for doing it, but it was that same year that they started giving kids rides when they went to see Santa Claus.

On Friday, December 19, Dale and Barbara Thurston arrived at the Morgan County Courthouse with their horses, Charlie and Black Jack, to give free hayrides to those in attendance. Santa arrived by fire truck to visit with the children and ask them what they want him to bring on Christmas. The event is sponsored each year by the Morgan Lions Club and is always an enjoyable event.

Thank you to the Thurston Family for playing such a big part in this community tradition. Thank you for sharing your beautiful horses with the community of Morgan for all of these many years. Also, thank you from The Morgan County News for letting us into your home to learn more about your family and your famous Clydesdale horses. The County of Morgan appreciates you.

Santa Visits Morgan



Three year old Aubree Hyde of Morgan tells Santa that she is three years old at the Morgan County Courthouse last Saturday. Aubree is the daughter of Travis and Leslie Hyde. Santa is from the North Pole, and he said that the children of Morgan were very good this year. The event was sponsored by The Morgan Lions Club. See more photos on page 2.



Dale and Barbara Thurston and their 10 year old dog Frosty get ready to take another group for a hayride in Morgan last Saturday while Santa was in Morgan. Dale talks with Stan Nelson before his next ride.

Holiday Deadline Change
Due to the holiday, the deadline for submissions to the newspaper is Monday at 5 p.m. for next weeks paper.

AUGUST 12, 2011



THEIR Daughter

Wedding
Thurston Cox



Kasandra and Tanner Jacob Cox will be married for time and all eternity in the Bountiful LDS Temple on Saturday, August 13th. A reception will be held in their honor that evening from 6:30 to 8:30pm at the home of the bride's parents, Kevin and Tracy Thurston, 1295 W. Island Rd. Morgan, UT. All well wishers are invited to please join them in case of an oversight.

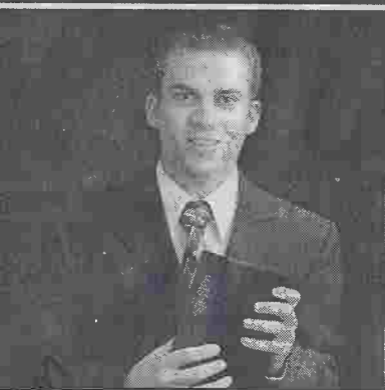
Kasandra graduated from Morgan High School and LDS Seminary. She is currently employed at Bridgerpoint Apartments as a leasing agent. She is also continuing her education at Utah State University in Logan, Utah in the

area of Exercise Science.

Tanner is the son of Gary and Carolee Cox of Kaysville. He graduated from Davis High School and LDS Seminary and served an LDS Mission to Sacramento, California where he met Kasandra's cousin! (Small World) He is continuing his education at Utah State University in the area of Aerospace Engineering. He is currently employed at The Space Dynamics Lab at USU.

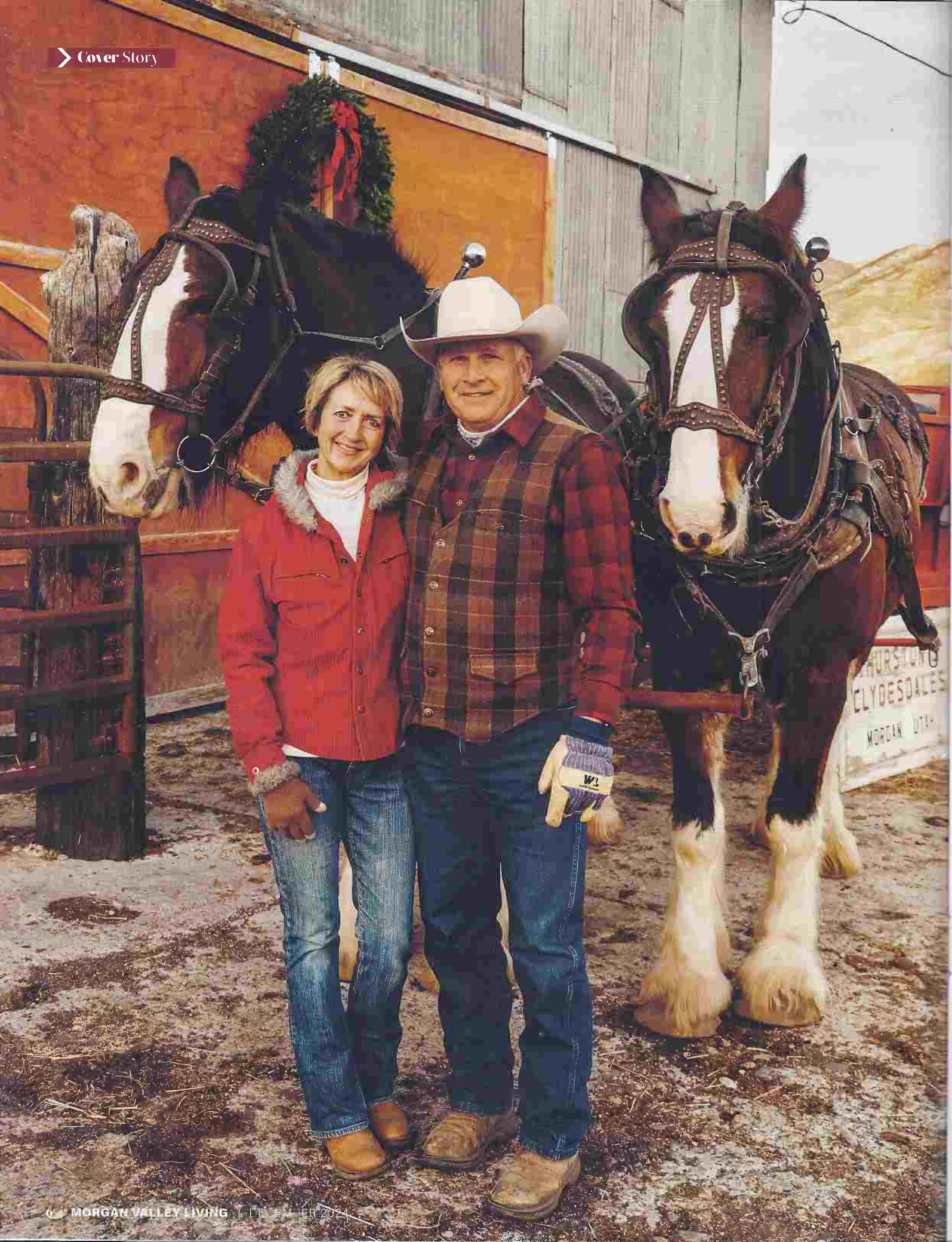
Following a honeymoon cruise to the Mexican Riviera, the starving married college students will live in Logan until the degree is in hand, and then the sky's the limit!! Congratulations!!

Missionary



Elder Thurston

Elder Hayden Todd Thurston, son of Todd and Becky Thurston of Morgan, will serve in the California, Los Angeles (spanish speaking) Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He entered the Missionary Training Center on May 23, 2007.





Clydesdales, Classrooms & Community

The Thurston Family's Enduring Legacy



BY HOLLY WOOD || PHOTOGRAPHED BY MARIAH POTTER

In the picturesque town of Henefer, Utah, Todd and Becky Thurston have cultivated a life filled with family, community, and cherished traditions. Their story is a testament to the enduring bonds of love and the rich heritage that defines small-town living.

Todd and Becky raised their two sons, McKennan (Mac) and Hayden, in the scenic Deep Creek area of Milton. Today, their family has expanded to include Mac's wife Janel and their five children: Emma, George, Ada, Izzy, and Millie. Hayden is married to Jamie, and they have a daughter named Annalise. "Family is everything to us," Todd reflects. "We're so proud of our kids and grandkids and love watching them grow."

Todd fondly remembers meeting Becky at North Summit High School during a "girls' choice" dance. Their romance blossomed as they explored the stunning landscapes of Jackson Hole and Glacier National Park during their early years of marriage. "We've made it a tradition to return almost every year," Todd adds. "The Tetons hold a special place in our hearts."

Education has always been a cornerstone in the Thurston household. Todd holds a bachelor's degree

in computer science from Weber State University and has dedicated over 13 years to working for the Federal Government, where he helps maintain/write software for the F16 fighter plane. Meanwhile, Becky's passion for teaching has spanned 38 years in Kindergarten and 1st grade at Morgan School District. "I loved every moment in the classroom," Becky shares as she reflects on her recent retirement.

The Thurston family has always embraced sports. Todd played basketball, football, and tennis at Morgan High School, while both McKennan and Hayden followed suit in basketball and football. "Watching our grandkids play sports is one of our greatest joys," Todd says proudly. They recently attended their granddaughter's volleyball games as she wrapped up her senior season. "We'll miss seeing her play next year," Becky adds. Looking ahead, they are excited about another granddaughter who will soon join the volleyball ranks.

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They will be attending the Morgan High state football game to watch their grandson play. He will then play basketball for Morgan High. The youngest grandchildren are still exploring their interests, but one thing is certain: the Thurston family will be there cheering them on every step of the way.

Outside of sports, Todd and Becky run a small Angus cow/calf operation and raise racing quarter horses alongside Clydesdales. They enjoy camping trips to Island Park, Jackson Hole, and West Yellowstone—activities that allow them to bond as a family while enjoying the great outdoors. The couple is deeply involved in community service through their horse-drawn wagon rides at local events like weddings, funerals, birthdays, reunions, and school functions. "It's something we love doing together," says Todd. "We've been providing these rides for over 75 years—a tradition started by my grandfather." This commitment reflects their belief in giving back to the place they call home.

Perhaps the most significant testament to the Thurston family's impact on the region is Thurston Peak, the highest point in both Davis and Morgan counties. Named after Todd's great-great-grandfather, Thomas Jefferson Thurston, this 9,706-foot peak stands as a monument to pioneer spirit and vision. Thomas Jefferson Thurston was one of the first to settle in Morgan Valley. In 1852, he climbed to the summit of what would later bear his name.

Life on the Thurston farm wouldn't be complete without pets! They keep chickens for fresh eggs (though Todd jokes about the cost-effectiveness of raising them), a friendly blue heeler named Blue who loves to join in on wagon rides, and Twig

the cat—a diligent mouser with a quirky habit of scratching at the door each night just to stroll through the house to get to the garage. Their horse family includes four quarter horses and five Clydesdales, with two young ones still in training. Todd explains, "We've taken our Clydesdale team across several states for competitions; it's a thrill to do this with friends and family."

Todd and Becky moved to Henefer ten years ago and cherish the sense of community that surrounds them. Their grandson George is now a seventh-generation Thurston in Morgan Valley—a proud lineage that connects them deeply to their roots. "We loved raising our boys in Morgan County," Todd reflects. "The support we received from the community was amazing." As others often remind them during wagon rides: "Do you know how lucky you are?" It's a heartfelt reminder that sometimes we take our blessings for granted.

As active members of their community, Todd and Becky encourage everyone to appreciate the beauty around them. They express gratitude towards local businesses like Hinds Quick Stop for their support—especially when it comes to maintaining equipment for their rides. "They've helped us out when we needed it most," Todd says with appreciation.

In closing, Todd and Becky Thurston exemplify what it means to be part of a small town: nurturing family ties, engaging with the community, sharing traditions, and creating lasting memories together. As Todd puts it succinctly: "We are truly blessed to live here." Their story is one of love—both for each other and for the vibrant life they've built among friends and neighbors in Morgan Valley. ■

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Barbara Louise Thurston

March 25, 1926 ~ October 17, 2019

Barbara Louise Thurston loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, and friend, returned home peacefully to her Heavenly Father on October 17, 2019.

Mom was born to Artella Prichard Senn and John Senn in Garland, Utah on March 25, 1926. She was raised in Garland, Utah. She had four siblings and two half-siblings. Mom graduated from Bear River High School. After high school, she loved playing baseball where she was the catcher in a women's league. She worked at DDO Ogden where she met Stanley Arvil Nicholas. They were married on June 3, 1944, and they had three children; Nadine (Don) Bambrough, Leslie Thomas (Berva), and Lana Barbara (Mark) Francis. Stanley died on December 17, 1953.



She married Dale H. Thurston on February 3, 1955, in the Salt Lake Temple. They had four children; Delbert H., Donna, Mark D. (Lora) and Todd J. (Becky). They have 22 grandchildren, 65 great-grandchildren, five great-great-grandchildren.

To Mom, family is the heart of life. She did a wonderful job of loving and supporting her family. Her community service included; member of the planning commission, member of Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, 4-H leader, fair board committee, and providing wagon rides with Dale for the Lion's Club Hometown Christmas. She and Dale drove the stagecoach at Lagoon Amusement Park for 20 years. The Milton Park is one of Mom's greatest accomplishments. She planted trees, watered and mowed the lawn, and it is a beautiful park today, largely due to her dedicated effort.

She was a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Mom and Dad served as temple workers from 1995-2011 at the Ogden Temple and served a full-time mission from 1998-2000 in the Manila, Philippines Temple Mission.

Mom retired in 1995 from the Morgan School district where she served as a lunchroom director. She worked for 18 years and enjoyed every single day.

Mom left a great legacy and was true to her convictions and will be greatly missed by everyone that knew her.

She is preceded in death by her husbands, a daughter, a granddaughter, and four siblings.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, October 24, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. at the Milton Church 1255 North Morgan Valley Drive, Morgan, Utah. A viewing will be held Wednesday, October 23, 2019, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the church. Interment will be held at the Milton Cemetery.

We would like to thank the Family Tree Assisted Living and Encompass Health, especially Corey Blonquist for the loving care of our mother.

Condolences may be sent to the family at:
www.walker-mortuary.com

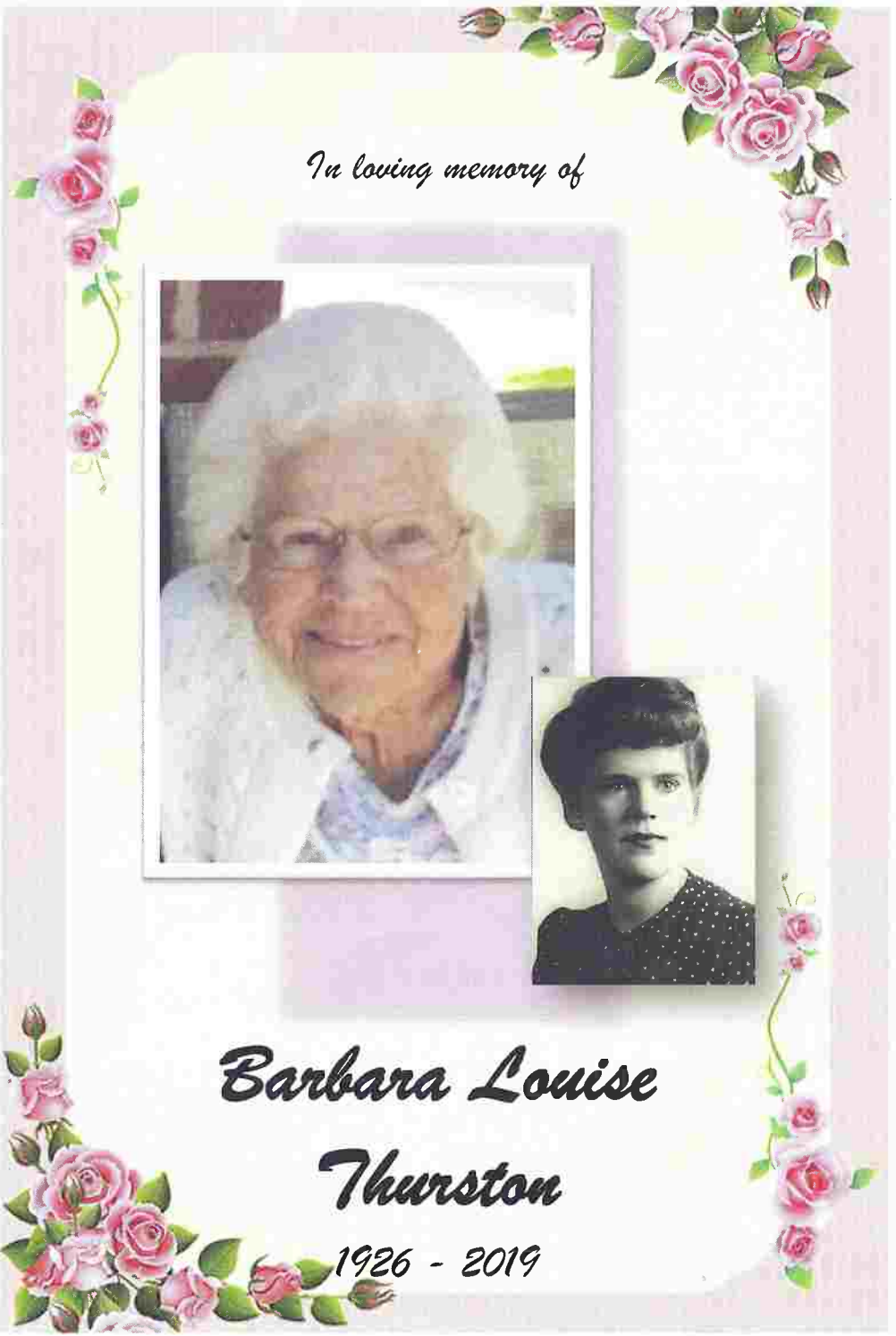


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Pall Bearers

Stanley Sommers
Glade Francis
Hayden Thurston
Sam Thurston

Braden Thurston
Daren Francis
Chad Thurston

Matt Sommers
Bracken Thurston
McKennen Thurston
Jason Thurston

Honorary Pall Bearers

Jennifer Steward
Kimberlee Randall
Rheana Staats

Kamie Haslam
Jordan O'Brien
Shanna Mendez

Sheri Hansen
Natalee LaJeunesse
Danette Hamblin

Funeral Services

Thursday, October 24, 2019 – 1:00 p.m.
Milton LDS Church – Morgan, Utah

Conducting Bishop Brady Peterson
Family Prayer Chad Thurston
Prelude & Postlude Shanna Mendez
Chorister Becky Thurston



Welcome Bishop Brady Peterson
Invocation McKennen Thurston
Obituary Nadine Bambrough
Musical Selection (grandkids) . . . Kamree Fallentine,
Maegan Isaacson, & Savannah Randall

"I Feel My Saviors Love"

Accp. By: Nicole Paepke

Speaker (daughter) . . Lana Francis
Speaker (son) . . . Mark Thurston
Musical Selection (grandkids) . . . Angela, Aspynn,
Wade, Kayedence Peugh

"Homeward Bound"

Accp. By: Shanna Mendez

Speaker (son) . . . Delbert Thurston
Speaker (son) . . . Todd Thurston
Speaker Calvin Stephens
Bishop's Remarks Bishop Brady Peterson
Closing Hymn #152

"God Be With You"

Benediction Mark Francis



Interment Milton Cemetery
Musical Number Bob Peterson

"Remember Me"

Dedication of Grave Hayden Thurston

Mystery Photo

2 Dec 2005

MORGAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

LINDA H. SMITH

1968 Fashion Show

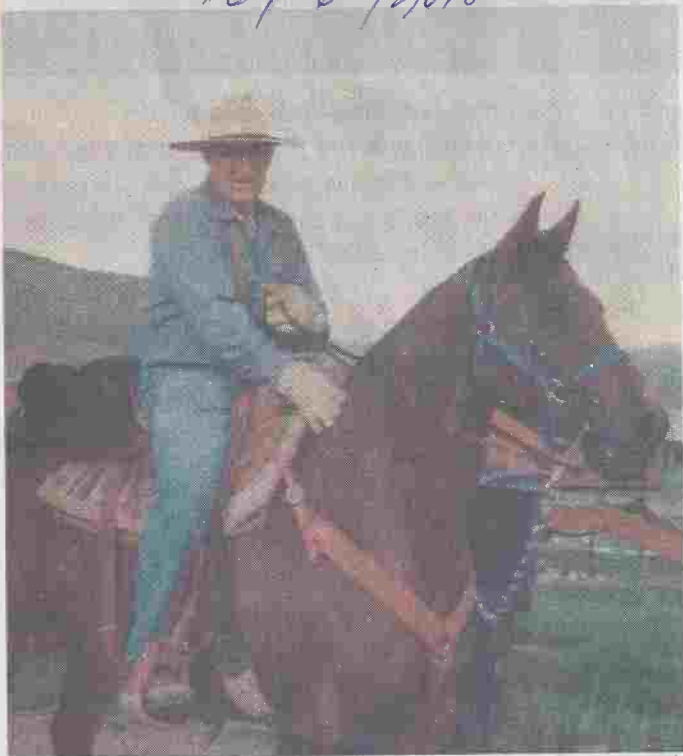


This week's Mystery Photo is of two county residents who served as county commissioners. If you know the names of these two gentlemen and the year this photo was taken please call the office at 829-6713.

The Historical Society Office and Repository are open Monday through Thursday from noon until 5:00 p.m. If you are looking for general historical information about Morgan County or want to know what is available at our facility visit our web site at www.morgan-historicalsociety.com. The site is currently 90% complete and should be finished in the next couple of weeks. A few bugs are being worked out along with a few typos.

Birthdya

10/6/2018



Fred Thurston

Fred Thurston has turned 90!

On September 8, 1928, the world welcomed one of its finest. Fred Thurston made his grand

appearance on this earth 90 years ago, and "Grand" is what his life has been and continues to

be. Living the life of his dreams in Morgan, Utah with the girl of his dreams, Jean, Fred has

cultivated and grown crops, cows, clydesdales, mink, pigs, chickens, babies, grandbabies and

friends. Turning 90 has not slowed him down, he

He still checks his cows, cuts and bales hay, and

performs all other ranch tasks. He often tells

friends that he now only works half days -- from

sunup to sundown.

However, Fred is taking Saturday afternoon off to celebrate his monumental

birthday. Fred, along with his family, would like to extend an invitation to an open house birthday

party at the Field Street church, 240 S. Field Street Morgan, Ut. from 3-6 PM

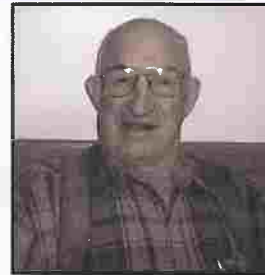
on Saturday, October 6, 2018. Fred would be elated to spend the afternoon reminiscing and

laughing with the people

he loves the most. Hope to see you there to

celebrate this monumental man!

WANTED



"WILD" FRED THURSTON For Turning 80

Come to a party in honor of his capture
Saturday, October 18, from 5 to 7 p.m.
at the Morgan Utah Stake Center
355 N 700 E, Morgan, Utah

Fred N. Thurston

Fred N Thurston passed away comfortably of natural causes at his home on Dec. 23, 2022. He had been experiencing general decline and a weakening heart for quite a while and looked forward to his next adventure being reunited with his sweetheart Jean. Fortunately, he was able to leave this life on his own terms with a sharp mind and an opportunity to spend time with many family members and friends during his final weeks.

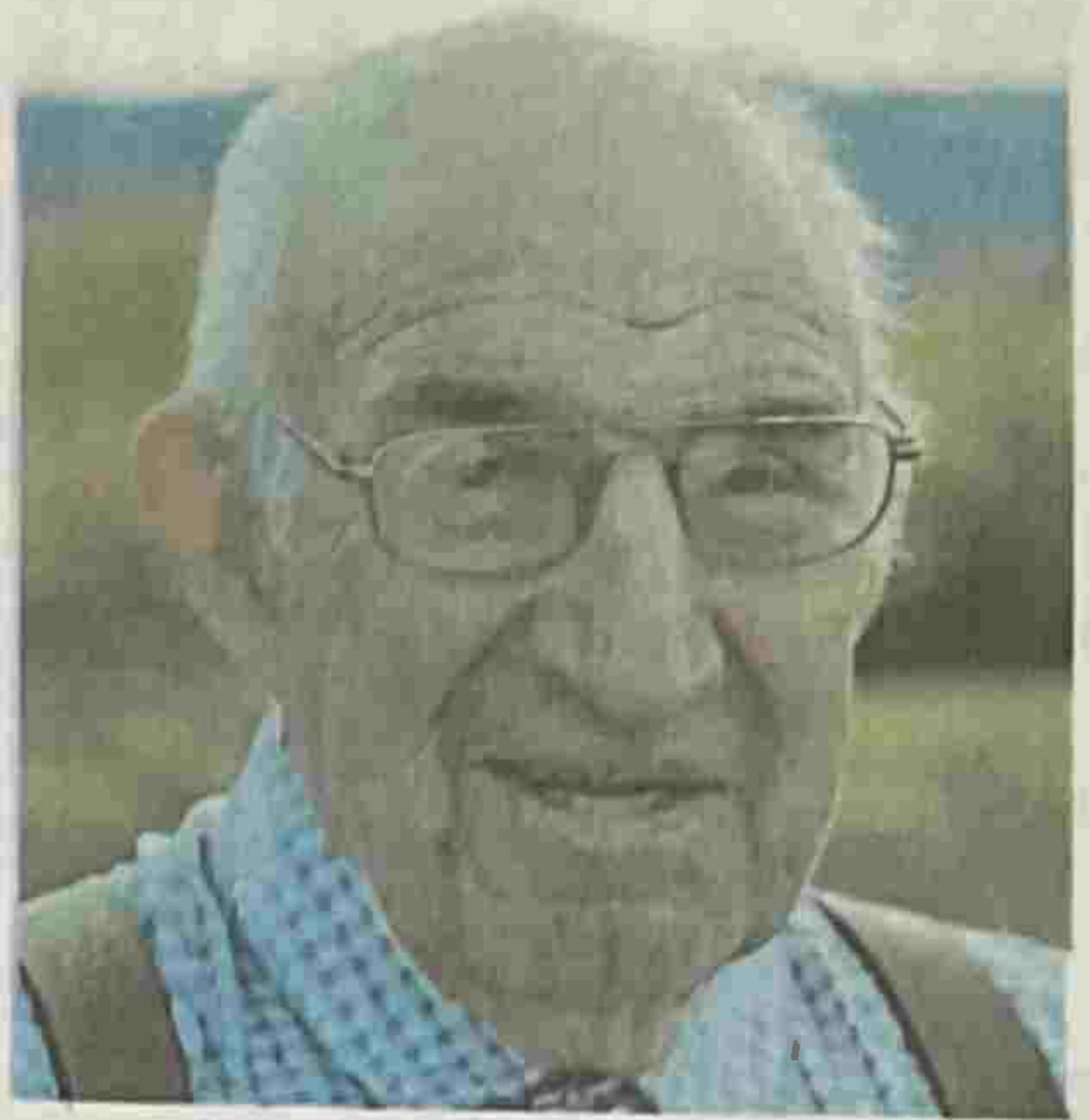
Fred was born on Sept. 8, 1928 at his grandmother's house in Milton, Utah to Glen Harris Thurston and Ada Myrtle Giles and lived his whole life in Morgan, Utah.

He graduated from Morgan High School where he was active in sports, including football and basketball. He loved watching sports in person or on television whenever he could find the time. He was thrilled to watch the Morgan High football team win the State Championship last month!

His true passion was farming. He had a diversified family farm where he loved to raise beef cattle, pigs, mink, chickens, and a few milk cows, goats and sheep. He loved driving the tractor for hours on end, plowing, planting, cutting, baling, or hauling. He was active in conservation efforts, serving for decades on the Morgan Soil Conservation District and receiving the Leopold Conservation Award in 2017, something he was very proud of. He loved fishing and hunting, spending as much time as he wanted in the great outdoors and could talk for hours about his successful trips. He welcomed fishermen and hunters on his land as long as they respected his property.

He married Verna Jean Ball of Henefer on Oct. 10, 1952 in the Salt Lake Temple and they built a home next to his parents' home on the Thurston family farm, where he lived the rest of his life. She was the love of his life and he did his very best to cherish and take care of her for the next 63 years until she passed away in 2015.

He was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and



served in various callings, including serving for 18 months with Jean in the Ogden Inner City Mission. He loved giving back to his community and served on the Morgan County School Board.

Fred is preceded in death by his parents, brothers: Steve and Dale, sisters: Connie and Sally, wife Jean and four great-granddaughters - Faith, Hope, and Charity Garfield and Pepper Hall. He is survived by his seven children: Marilyn (Jay) Garfield, Charlene (Blayne) Hall, Pamela (Alvin) Jensen, Howard (Kelly) Thurston, Kevin (Tracy) Thurston, Janet (Kerry) Call, Norman (Maria) Thurston, 26 grandchildren, and a large number of great-grandchildren. Also his sisters: Nell (Jim) Nickerson, and Ann (Mike) McMillan.

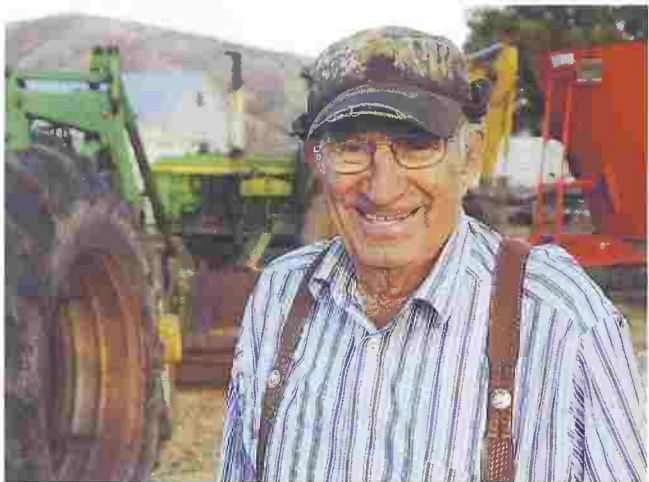
Funeral services will be held on Friday Dec. 30, 2022 at 11 a.m. at the Field Street Chapel (240 S 300 W, Morgan UT) A viewing will be held Friday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the church prior to the services. Interment will follow at the Milton Cemetery

In lieu of flowers take your sweetheart out for a malt.

OBITUARIES DEADLINE

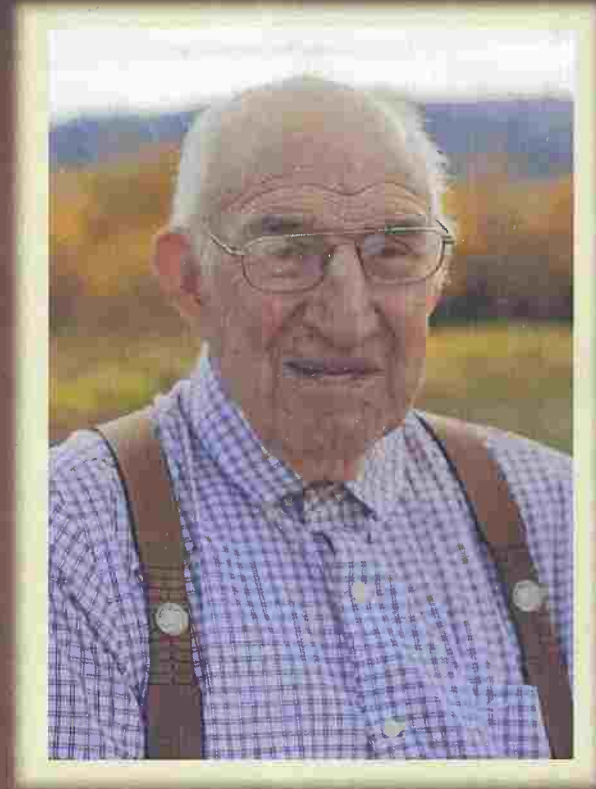
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In loving memory of



Fred N Thurston

1928- 2022





Obituary

Verna Jean Ball Thurston

On Dec. 21, 2015, Verna Jean Ball Thurston passed away comfortably at home in the tender care of her family due to complications from a recent surgery.

Jean was born to Frank Lester Ball and Ruth Annie Beard on Nov. 17, 1930, in Henefer, Utah. She graduated with high honors from North Summit High School in 1949. She married Fred N Thurston in the Salt Lake Temple on Oct. 10, 1952, and moved to Morgan, Utah, where she lived with her sweetheart, Fred, for 63 years. She was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Morgan 2nd Ward.

Jean was always a very giving person, serving her community in many roles including a 4H leader and several church callings. She served in the Primary, Cub Scouts, church library, Young Women and Relief Society until the time of her passing. In 2000, she served an 18-month mission with her husband Fred to the Ogden Inner City Mission. She substituted at the school whenever she was asked.

Jean was a grandmother to everyone; she loved her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and the neighbor's children. She supported all her children and grandchildren in sports and all of their activities. Her hobbies included quilting and crocheting. She loved watching sports with her husband, especially the Utah Jazz. She loved her rosebushes, and she was a great cook.

Jean was very interested in her family history, learning the stories of her ancestors. She loved music and spent a lot of time learning to play the piano. She always loved family gatherings, Christmas most of all. The sleigh always seemed to tip over at the Thurston house.

Jean is preceded in death by her parents, her five siblings, and three great-grandchildren: Faith, Hope and Charity Garfield. She is survived by her eternal companion and sweetheart Fred N Thurston, seven children: Marilyn (Jay) Garfield, Charlene (Blayne) Hall, Pamela (Alvin) Jensen, Howard (Kelly) Thurston, Kevin (Tracy) Thurston, Janet (Kerry) Call, and Norman (Maria Luisa) Thurston; twenty-six grandchildren, and many great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2015, at 11 a.m. in the Rock Chapel, 10 W. Young Street,



Morgan. Friends and family may call at Walker Mortuary, 45 W 200 N, Morgan, Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday at the church from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

Interment will be in the Milton Cemetery. Condolences may be sent at www.walker-mortuary.com



Dear Editor,

Recently there were some questions posed in the religious section of The Morgan County News. I would like to share some of the thoughts I have had since that time.

I have had trials in my life. The last six years have been some of the happiest yet some of the hardest of my life.

The happiness that a house full of young children brings has made my life extremely meaningful and happy. However, after an injury we have had years of doctors, hospital, surgeries and pain after my husband broke his neck in February of 2010. With some of the extreme experiences I have faced, I have felt more of God's power and love than at any other time.

If I had it my way I would have had our Heavenly Father take away all of the pain and suffering. Yet our Heavenly Father is infinitely wiser, can see all of eternity and knows our family's needs. Instead of taking away the pain, He has sent comfort.

After experiencing this hardship on our family, we could have been bitter. We could have been angry that our prayers weren't answered and that we didn't receive the blessing that we desired. Or we could look for the hand of God in our lives and realize that while He

A look at the past with the Morgan County News

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Participating in Utah's \$58,280,000 bond smashing performance in the Fifth War Loan drive, ended July 31, every county met its quota...

Table with columns: County, Total sales, Pct. quota. Lists sales for various counties including Beaver, Cache, Carbon, Daguerre, Davis, Duchesne, Emery, Garfield, Grand, Iron, Kane, Juab, and Weber.

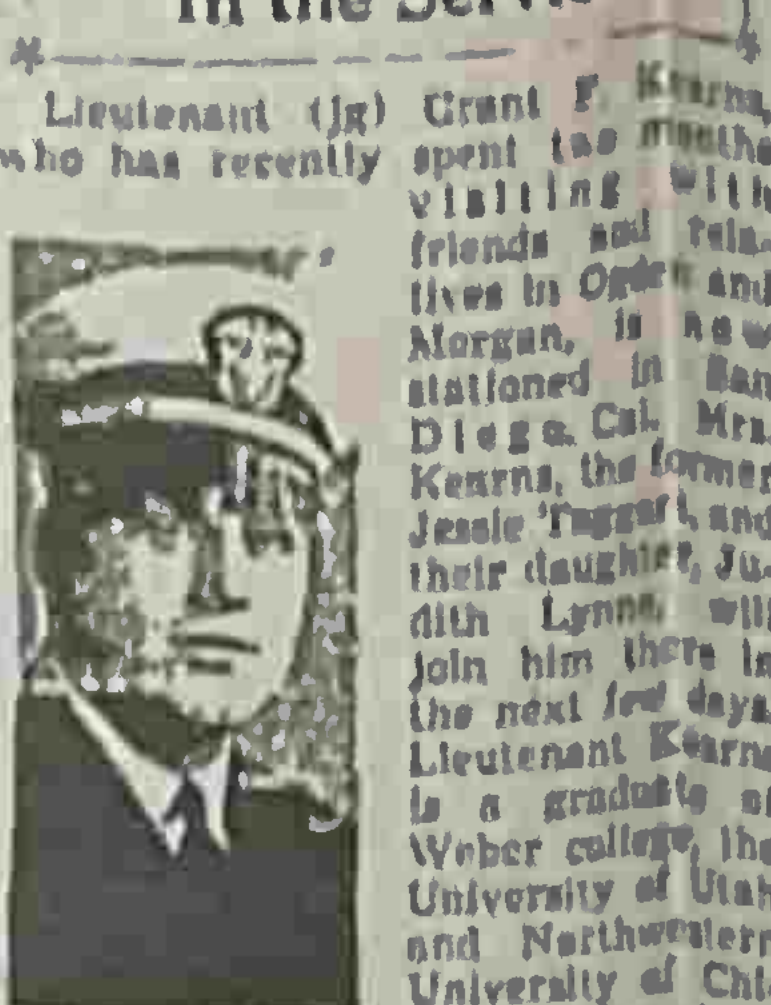
County Problems Discussed at Meeting

C. E. Rich, equipment supervisor for the Morgan soil conservation district, met recently with the county commissioners to discuss postwar problems.

Cattle Increase; Sheep Decrease

Utah sheep population declined this year under the 1943 totals, while the number of cattle increased, Roscoe E. Hammond of the Utah tax commission reports.

With Our Boys In the Service



Lieutenant (Jr.) Grant F. Kearns, who has recently returned from the service, is a graduate of the University of Utah.

WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER

By CONGRESSMAN BRASGARD FREE SCHOOLS FOR VETERANS

So many people are asking for information on how veterans can get free schooling from the government, that it seems advisable to discuss the rules set up by the veterans' administration.

Memorial Rites Held For Lieutenant Hannum

Memorial services were held Sunday afternoon, August 6, at 3 p. m., in the Morgan stake tabernacle for First Lieutenant Craig Hannum, 21-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Olin Hannum of Morgan.

American Industry Far Surpasses That of Rotten Dictatorships

As the great dictatorships of Germany, Japan and Italy crumble in their rotten foundations, it is with a feeling of pride that we in the United States point to the production records of free enterprise, compared with the much boasted efficiency of the totalitarian governments.

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PORTERVILLE

Jerald Millesell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Millesell, while riding his bicycle missed a bridge and landed in the creek.

RICHVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Waldron and family were visitors in Salt Lake City at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Waldron.

MORGAN

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On Sunday, July 30, Mr. and Mrs. Elaine Thatcher entertained at dinner in honor of Thomas Littlefield. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Littlefield, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Littlefield and daughter, and Mrs. J. Scott Williams, all of Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rose spent the week end in Murray visiting at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rose. Saturday evening they were guests of a chicken supper given in Little Cottonwood canyon by the elders of the Murray ward, and Sunday they attended sacrament services, where their little granddaughter was christened.

Elmo Creager, son of Mrs. Viney Creager, and Jack Baer, husband of Vera Creager Baer, who left for the service August 9 and 10, respectively, were honored at a house party at the home of Mrs. Creager Saturday, August 5. Bunch was the diversion of the evening, after which a delicious lunch was served on small tables to 25 guests.

As in previous years special emphasis will be placed on pens and individual entries of breeding Aberdeen Angus, Shorthorn and Herefords, fat sheep, lambs, hogs and steers. The secretary stated a completed premium list would be ready for distribution within the next few weeks.

Technical Sergeant Franklin D. Walton and Mrs. Walton have been visiting at the home of her father, J. C. Little, and other relatives the past few days. Their many friends were glad to greet them and welcome them home again. They left Morgan last Sunday for Centerville, where they will visit Sergeant Walton's relatives and friends until Friday, August 11, when Sergeant Walton will return to his base at Luke Field, Ark., and Mrs. Walton will return in Phoenix, Ariz., where she is employed.

Walter D. Perry of Coalville was a guest Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Perry. Mrs. Genevieve Dickson visited her mother, Mrs. Joseph A. Hill in Salt Lake City Wednesday. Royal Thackeray entertained at a party in honor of his nephew, Captain Grant Rees and wife, and Mrs. Helen Rees Mills of Los Angeles, Cal. Thirty guests attended. Invited members of the family. Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carr of Ogden. Mrs. Carr is a sister of Captain Rees and Mrs. Helen Mills.

Arthur Frederick

GILES

(Randall)



THIRD SCHOOL BUILDING AT MILTON

When Milton received its new schoolhouse around 1906, it was constructed of brick with a sandstone foundation in an eclectic Neoclassical mode. The main element in the design was a projecting entrance portico with an enclosed pediment, ribbed brick corner pilasters, and a large rounded arched opening with a rusticated keystone. An unusual feature of the building were the round windows to either side of the main opening and in the tympanum. These windows are enhanced by encircling courses of brick and radiating keystones.











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PAPER & GARBAGE
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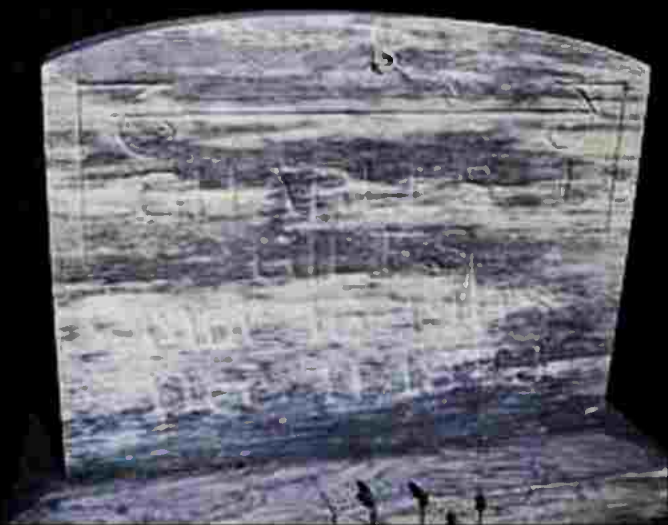
Charles Ivan

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1 PLACE OF DEATH 2 3 0 1 1 8 6		State Board of Health File No. 420	
County <u>Morgan</u>		STATE OF UTAH—DEATH CERTIFICATE	
Precinct <u>Milton</u>		Charles Irvin Giles	
City <u>Littleton</u> No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____		[If death occurred in a hospital or institution give its NAME instead of street and number.]	
2 FULL NAME <u>Charles Irvin Giles</u>			
(a) Residence No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____		(IF NON-RESIDENT GIVE CITY OR TOWN AND STATE)	
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yrs. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mos. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.			
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS		MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3 Sex <u>male</u>	4 Color or Race <u>white</u>	5 Single, Married, Widowed, or Divorced (write the word) <u>single</u>	10 Date of Death <u>December 11 1923</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)
5a If Married, Widowed, or Divorced Husband of _____ (or) Wife of _____			17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>Dec. 9</u> , 19 <u>23</u> , to <u>Dec. 11</u> , 19 <u>23</u> , that I last saw him alive on <u>Dec. 11</u> , 19 <u>23</u> , and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at <u>7:15</u> p.m. The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>Acute peritonitis</u>
6 Date of Birth <u>March 16 1908</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)			
7 Age <u>15</u> yrs. <u>8</u> mos. <u>25</u> ds. If LESS than 1 day _____ hrs. or _____ min.			Contributory <u>Appendicitis</u> (Secondary) (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. <u>3</u> ds.
8 Occupation of Deceased (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work <u>student</u> (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) _____ (c) Name of Employer _____			18 Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? _____ Did an operation precede death? <u>no</u> Date of _____ Was there an autopsy? <u>yes</u> What test confirmed diagnosis? <u>Autopsy</u>
9 Birthplace (City or town) <u>Littleton</u> (State or Country) <u>Morgan Co Utah</u>			(Signed) <u>E. M. Poff</u> M. D. <u>Dec. 12 1923</u> (Address) <u>Morgan Utah</u>
PARENTS	10 Name of Father <u>Fred Giles</u>	*State the Disease Causing Death, or in deaths from Violent Causes state (1) Means and Nature of Injury, and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal or Homicidal. (See reverse side for additional space.)	
	11 Birthplace of Father (State or Country) <u>Salt Lake City</u>	19 Place of Burial, Cremation, or Removal <u>Littleton</u>	Date of Burial <u>Dec 13 1923</u>
	12 Maiden Name of Mother <u>Emma Rebecca</u>	20 Undertaker <u>P. M. ...</u>	Address <u>Morgan Utah</u>
13 Birthplace of Mother (State or Country) <u>Centerville Utah</u>	14 Informant <u>Fred Giles</u> Address <u>Morgan Utah</u>		
15 Filled <u>Feb 11 1924</u> <u>M. C. Nelson</u> Registrar	21 REGISTERED NUMBER <u>Three</u>		
	22 NO. OF BURIAL PERMIT <u>three</u>		

READ CAREFULLY INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK OF CERTIFICATE



Irvin Wesley

GILES

1910-1914

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Morgan
Township _____
or Village Milton
or City _____

State Board of Health File No. 49 420

STATE OF UTAH—DEATH CERTIFICATE

Irvin Wesley Giles

[If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.]

2 FULL NAME

Irvin Wesley Giles

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX Male 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Single
(Write the word)

6 DATE OF BIRTH Jan 12, 1910
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 4 yrs. 1 mos. 24 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

8 OCCUPATION (Child)
(a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work.
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or country) Morgan Co

10 NAME OF FATHER Fred Giles

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) Salt Lake City Utah

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Bessie Spencer

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) Centerville Utah

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) Fred Giles
(Address) Morgan R. H. D.

15 Filed Dec 27, 1914 W. C. Nelson
REGISTRAR

21 REGISTERED NUMBER 000

22 NO. OF BURIAL PERMIT one

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH March 7th, 1914
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Feb 22nd, 1914, to March 6, 1914, that I last saw him alive on Feb 6, 1914, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 11 P.M.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Acute dilatation of heart

Contributory (SECONDARY) _____
(Signed) C. M. Pugh, M. D.
_____, 101 _____ (Address) Morgan

* State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or, in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL OR HOMICIDAL.

18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR RECENT RESIDENTS)
At place of death _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. In the State _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death?
Former or usual residence _____

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Mt View Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL March 8th, 1914

20 UNDERTAKER O. H. Melch ADDRESS Morgan Ut.

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IRVIN WESLEY
GILES
JAN. 12, 1910
MAR. 6, 1914

Milton Cemetery Plot 15W; Photo 2023 June 28;
New Headstone, old deteriorating

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Ethel

GILES

(Sorensen)

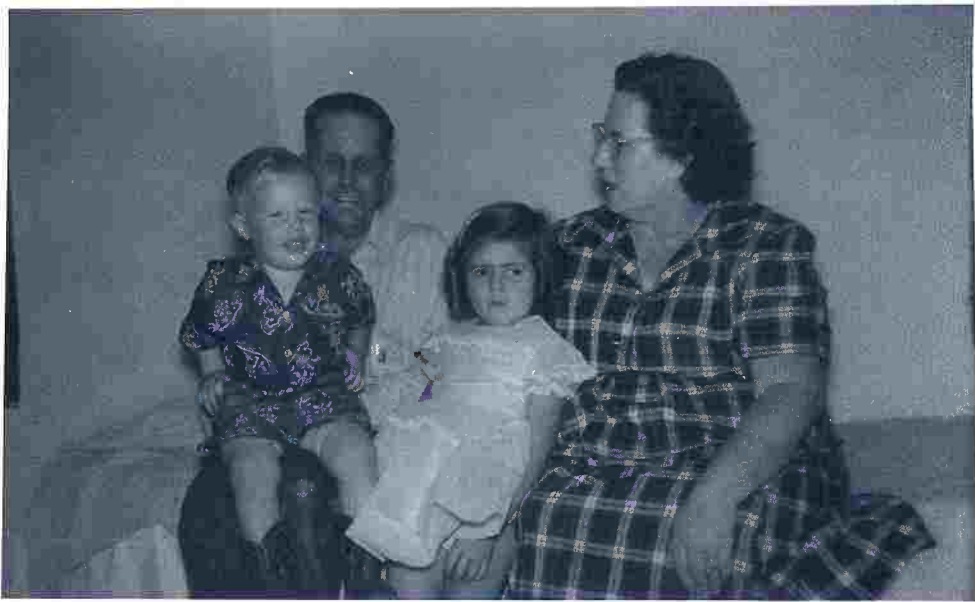














Marlene S. Mezenen

MORGAN - Marlene Mae Sorensen Mezenen, 76, of Morgan, Utah and Indio, California, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Saturday, December 6, 2008 following a long battle with cancer.

She was born May 4, 1932 in Ogden, to Roy Mitchell and Ethel Giles Sorensen.

Marlene married her eternal partner, Bert F. Mezenen, on April 20, 1957. Their marriage was solemnized in the Salt Lake LDS Temple on January 25, 1980.



She had a 20 year career as an Air Force Civilian which she began in the early 50's painting aircraft at Hill AFB. After a short break to raise her family, she finished out her career in accounting and finance retiring in 1988.

Marlene was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and took pride in serving others.

She enjoyed a full retirement traveling from Alaska to Florida and spending the winter months in Indio, California. She enjoyed traveling, meeting new friends and taking in all the beautiful scenery God provided us throughout the states. She was an avid volunteer, providing hours of devotion to those in need, such as Meals on Wheels, John F. Kennedy Hospital where she worked in the gift shop, RCB Shuffle Board Chairperson, and last but not least, the Indio CHIP's (Citizens Helping Indio Police) program where she just received her 5 Year Service Pin two days prior to her passing.

Surviving are her loving and devoted husband, Bert Mezenen, Morgan, UT and Indio, CA; children: Sheri Mezenen, Salt Lake City, UT; Julie and Roland Haslam, Morgan, UT; Roger Mezenen, Clinton, UT; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; sister, Donna and Hod Mercer, Michigan; and brothers, Darrell (deceased) and Ladean Sorensen, Layton, UT; Merrill and Leah Sorensen, Ogden, UT.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother.

The family wishes to thank the staff members of Odyssey Home Health Care for their tender touch and support. May God Bless you all.

Graveside services in her honor will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at Lindquist's Memorial Gardens of the Wasatch, 1718 Combe Road, with Bishop Elmont Bingham of the Milton Ward officiating. Compassionate service rendered by the Milton Ward Relief Society.

Friends may call at Lindquist's Ogden Mortuary, 3408 Washington Blvd., on Sunday from 6 to 8 p.m. and Monday 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the American Cancer Society in Marlene's name.

Send condolences to the family at:

www.lindquistmortuary.com

Darrell Keith Sorensen



LAYTON - Darrell Keith Sorensen, 70, passed away Sunday, October 2, 2005 while camping and enjoying life to the fullest. To fulfill Darrell's wishes he was taken off life support due to complications from a bee sting. Friends gave him his best chance of survival. Thanks to all who spent time with him during the last days. Darrell was born December 4, 1934 in Ogden, son of Roy M. Sorensen and Ethel Giles.



He married Viola LaDean Love on June 6, 1958. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple. Darrell served in the Marine Corp and is a veteran of the Korean War. He had been active in the LDS church and was a resident of Layton for 48 years. He enjoyed camping, fishing, hunting, 4-wheeling, and his garden was his prize possession. He loved spending time with his wife, grandkids, his many friends, and treasured his dogs. He was known by his mountainman companions as Blender and what a fine shot he was.

Surviving are his wife, LaDean, and five children, Cathy (Dan) Grimsley, Edward Sorensen, Mary Ann (Keith) Sargent, Bradley (Tana) Sorensen, Michelle (Lee) Hamblin, nine grandchildren, Scott (Laura) Grimsley, Tyler and Darren Tatton, Jacob Sargent, Bobby, Keith and Ashley Hamblin, Kaleey and Kolton Sorensen. His two sisters, Donna (Hod) Mercer of Newaygo, Michigan; Marlene (Bert) Mezenen of Morgan, UT; and one brother, Merrill (Leah) Sorensen of Ogden, UT.

Preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Ethel Sorensen, Elmer and Elaine Love, and one grandson, Derek Grimsley.

Funeral services will be held Friday, October 7, 2005 at 2 p.m. at Lindquist's Layton Mortuary, 1867 No. Fairfield Road. Friends and family may call Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. and Friday from 12:45 to 1:45 p.m. at the mortuary. Interment, Lindquist's Memorial Park at Layton, 1867 No. Fairfield.

Special thanks to the ICU of McKay-Dee Hospital for all their love, care and support.

e-mail condolences to the family at llm@lindquistmortuary.comtext

Merrill Lee Sorensen

November 7, 1936 ~ June 5, 2019

Merrill Lee Sorensen passed away peacefully in his sleep on June 5, 2019. He was born to Ethel Giles and Roy Sorensen on November 7, 1936, in Ogden, Utah where he lived for the entirety of his life.

He married Leah East in 1957 and had three children: Kevin, Janeil, and Kyle.

Merrill is survived by his wife, Leah; two sons, Kevin (Teri) and Kyle (Ilene); five grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his beloved daughter, Janeil (Jeff); sister, Donna Mercer (Hod); sister, Marlene Mezenen (Bert), brother, Darrell (LaDean); and his loyal black lab, Knuckles.

Merrill was an avid outdoorsman. Upon his retirement, you could find him at Willard Bay daily. He also enjoyed gardening and was never hesitant to share his vegetables and flowers with his family and friends.

Graveside services will be held on Monday, June 10, 2019, at 2 p.m. at Lindquist's Washington Heights Memorial Park, 4500 Washington Blvd. Friends may visit with family on Monday from 12 to 1:30 p.m. at Lindquist's Ogden Mortuary, 3408 Washington Blvd.

The family would like to thank the staff at Chancellor Gardens Care Center for their excellent care of Merrill during his stay there.

Condolences may be shared at:
www.lindquistmortuary.com.



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Thomas Henry

GILES

Morgan County High School



This is to Certify That
Thomas Henry Giles

*having satisfactorily completed the Course of Study of four years as prescribed
by the Board of Education for the High School is awarded this*

DIPLOMA

*Given at Morgan, Utah, on this the 12th day of May in the year of our
Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty three.*

J. R. Tippetts

SUPERINTENDENT
R. B. Sanford

PRINCIPAL
W. T. Collins

PRESIDENT



Tom Giles Tenderfoot Badge

Morgan, Utah
January 23, 1944

A blessing given by JOSEPH ALONZO PARRISH, Patriarch, upon the head of

THOMAS HENRY GILES

son of Emma Rebecca Giles and Fredrick W. Giles, born May 6, 1915, at Morgan, Utah.

Brother Giles, I, the servant of the Lord, lay my hands upon your head and give you a blessing, even a patriarchal blessing, and I ask God, our Eternal Father, to pour out His Spirit upon us at this time and to reveal unto you many of the things that He desires for you to accomplish while you are here in this life that it will prepare you for the life to come.

You are of the House of Joseph through the loins of Ephraim and are entitled to all the blessings pertaining to that birthright. Now, dear brother, it is an honor to be an Ephraimite, and there is a great responsibility attached to it.

You have come here upon the earth in a time of trial and tribulations, when the Gospel is here in its fullness trying to save mankind. Also, the adversary is here with his hosts trying to thwart the work of God, to destroy mankind. You are here, dear brother, given your free agency. You have been privileged to be born of goodly parents who have taught you the Gospel, and you have lived in a community where the Gospel is being taught. Your Heavenly Father desires for you to take advantage of every opportunity you have of explaining the Gospel to your fellow men. Therefore, prepare yourself that you understand the principles and what it takes to gain salvation here upon the earth. Study the scriptures. Make them part of your life, and be humble and be prayerful so that the Spirit of God can be your companion. Your Heavenly Father desires to help you and to protect you and to give you instructions just what to do at the right time, but you will have to put forth your effort. You will have to try, you will have to study and commit much to memory of the workings of our Heavenly Father.

You hold the priesthood. Now I say unto you to magnify it, because it is the power of God unto salvation. By that you will be blessed and protected from the evils of the world. You are clothed with power that the adversary cannot penetrate. You have power over him inasmuch as you will exercise it. Put your trust in God. Ask Him for wisdom and for an understanding of life that the way might be pointed out to you just what you should do at the right time. If you will do that, you will be prompted and directed by the Spirit of God that will direct you in the way that you should go. You will have a Guardian Angel with you that will comfort you in the time of need and prompt you many times in doing those things that God requires you to do, and also guard you against danger. If you will only yield obedience to this prompting, it will grow on you until it will be very plain, and you will grasp it and know it is from God.

Inasmuch as you are going into the service, go with the arm of the priesthood with you. Go with a determination that you are going to serve God and keep His commandments so His Holy Spirit can direct you and guide you into all truth. Take the Word of the Lord with you. Study it and read it. Teach it to your comrades wherever the opportunity presents itself. Live a good, clean, pure life. Shun the temptations placed before you. If you will do that, you will be a power for good. Your comrades will see your righteous living and many will pattern after it, and you can be a missionary and do much good while you are in the army.

Go, brother, with love in your heart for those that are your enemies. The Saviour taught us to love our enemies, to do good to those that hate you and despitefully use you. Let that be in your heart. Do not take life just to take life. If you are in a position where you have to take life, do it with the object of saving life. Have that in your heart and the Lord will bless you and protect you, and He won't hold anything against you while you are away if you live in harmony with Him, as long as you do everything in righteousness.

If you are placed among those that are wicked and trouble and disaster seems to be at your door, if you have courage, if you will seek your Heavenly Father in prayer, you will be protected, and you will come out victorious. I bless you to this end, dear brother, that you shall return home in safety, and you will be protected all the way through and not a bone of your body will be broken, but you will return to your loved ones that you may finish the work here that God has prepared for you.

The time is coming when you should get a companion, one that is worthy of you, one that is willing to go to the House of the Lord and there you will be united together for time and all eternity that you might fulfill the mission God has placed you here on the earth for; that is, to multiply and replenish the earth. God has spirits He desires to have come into good homes. If you seek after these things, He will let you

have some to educate and bring up in His fear and trembling. They will be a credit to you and to Him, doing work here when peace will come, when the inhabitants of the earth are craving for peace and knowledge of the Gospel.

You shall live to see that day when our beloved Saviour will come and administer here on the earth and become Lord of Lords and King of Kings, so prepare yourself; put yourself in that condition. Don't fear; don't be troubled. As long as you enjoy the Spirit of the Lord, you will be happy.

I bless you with this world's goods and a desire to do good that you and yours shall not want for the comforts of life, but you shall be protected so you can go forth and perform the work God has for you to do. I seal upon you these blessings, I re-confirm your former blessings, and I seal you up that you shall come for the morning of the first resurrection and dwell with the just, and I do it with the power of the priesthood and in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

J. L. Parrish



CAMP WHEELER
GEORGIA

April 28, 1944.

Dear Bro + Sister:

I received your letters of the 18th and 21st at noon Tuesday and now today I got your letter of the 23rd. That is the first time I have received two letters together. But I was sure glad to get them. I got the string thanks a lot. I am well and feeling fine. I guess I am finally getting acclimated to this climate. I have never been able to lay around on the wet ground like I can here and not catch cold. We lay on the ground the next day after a rain just like it hadn't rained for a month and I haven't caught cold from doing it yet.

No wonder it won't stop raining. I am giving you that much is enough to make it rain. That sounds to good to be true. Now if he will only finish it will be one bad one over with.

I am afraid that June + Short are in for a headache before the summer is over. It'll be surprisely if they will both want to work near enough the same to get along to good. I hope they can. June will certify that black barley and make his fortune. He is really going to get some surpris. Has he moved up? you better sell out of the milk cows when he starts buying his. For he will supply the Keller Central and flood the market. I believe he has more money than sense to give 3.65 for seed.

My hands are getting black enough that I may need something to whiten them but I'm not washing clothes yet to do it. I haven't had any trouble with my hands or feet cracking since I got here. So I guess I will have to leave that cold climate and make my living in a warmer climate.

I am glad to hear that the jersey has turned out so good. I guess it is so thick that it won't run through the strainer. Don't drink so much of it that you get to fat.

I wonder how long Woodrow is going to believe the soil is pure —. He should of learned his lesson last year. He must have more ground than he wants to farm. With that new drill firm and Harry will raise more grain than they can get thrashed. They will show you how to farm this summer. Well you can make the expense that I was not there to get in your way.

Did you mean that Short has lost all his pigs but one from each sow? or just lost one pig from each sow.

I am glad to hear that the pup is doing so well. I hope that she will continue. That is the first time anyone else had anything better than Jack Cregar. He always has some big deal for someone else. Maybe your dog was the cheapest one after all. Don't let her get one of Clifford's ducks or he will cut off your church.

Monday + Tue. they gave us a couple of marches. We went about 10 miles each day. Then Tuesday night we stayed out and run a compass course. It was about 500 yards and you had to walk through the woods with only the compass as a guide. We got back and to bed at 10 o'clock. The rest of the week has been real tany. Thursday we fired the B.A.R. I made 254 out of a possible 300 points. That is up with the best of them in this company. So I am well pleased with myself. It is a lot of fun to shoot it. Not as much as the M1 though. We fired 600 shells. Now they are showing us how the light machine gun operates. There are a million and one parts to that. The B.A.R. does not have near as much



CAMP WHEELER
GEORGIA

pick as the M1. My platoon is on guard tonight so we are all restricted to the barracks. I do not have to walk guard tonight. I will more than likely get it next time. That will be in 16 days unless they change. There is a good chance they will. I didn't go into town last week end so I am doing all my extra work this week so I can go in this weekend.

John Giles came over to see me the other night. He has a disease of the bone in his arms. But they are making him finish his basic and then he won't get discharged. But he will get some job here in the U.S. It seems bad that my old company are so near through and I have no far to go. The worst job to think that I will be here for part of the hot weather. But I guess it don't make much difference where I am. My next camp may be in a worse place. Well I can't think of any more and it is 11 o'clock so I better go to bed. Write soon as I am always glad to get a letter.
Your loving Bro
Thomas.



CAMP WHEELER, GEORGIA

June 9, 1944

Dear Bro + Sister

Well it looks like we might get a rain here. It has been fairly cool this week. It rained one night. I hope it rains before Sunday, we leave Sunday for our two weeks bivouac. I hope we are lucky and don't get too much rain while we are out there as we will be sleeping in tents. We won't be back to the barracks until the 25th. Then one more week and we will be out of this camp. So if all goes well I may get home for a few days the first part of July. Just in time to watch you put up the last of the alfalfa. One good day in the hay would give me out now.

I mailed your watch this morning. I hope it is what you want. I am not going to send you your change. Because I will be asking for you to send me some more money if I get a furlough and I should. If mother comes home ask her to give you \$50 of that I left with her. Then I will later tell you how much to send me. If they pay us for the month of June before we leave I won't need very much. But they say we may not get it until we arrive at our next camp. We should get it on the 30th of June. And our 17 weeks will be over the 1st day of July. But there is two ways to do anything the right way and the Army way and you never know.

we were out on another night problem last night. So we had this morning off to rest? We scrubbed the floors and then didn't get up till 7 this morning. Now we won't have to G.I. tonight. We have layed around the rest of the ~~day~~ morning. That gave me the chance to go to the post office to mail your watch. Bishop will be wishing he didn't have those beets before he gets them thinned. I hope he keeps up on his watering.

I admire his grit but I don't like his judgement. It sounds like he is getting behind in his work as usual. He usually starts out behind and ends the same. I hope the wheat on the dry farm turns out good. Then you can have a good job of hauling the grain off. Spike don't need to worry about the army he will be in the hospital half of his time.

Has Smith sold his place in Idaho? or was he just in on a visit.

Well I will try and finish this letter now. I got this far by dinner time. It is now 5 o'clock and raining. We went to a show for an hour. 1 hr. of physical training, 1 hr. for inspection and the last hr. it was raining so we stayed in the barracks and had manual of arms. Just one more easy day like many more. When we are out in the field a lot of the time the officers will be arguing among themselves until we



CAMP WHEELER, GEORGIA

don't do very much.

I am really getting a break tomorrow. It was my turn to be on K. P. and instead they give me barracks guard. For one more day that I will lay around. I shouldn't get K. P. any more while I am here. Thank goodness for that. That is the longest and hardest day of any. Now would you like to make the bread for one day. We slice up 25 loaves for each meal, and when we eat out in the field it takes 30 loaves.

The 9th Br. left Sun. men, and Tuesday. Last night they filled it back up with new trainees. They are all from the East. N. Y. Pa. and thereabouts. The 15th is Infantry day. The camp is thrown wide open to the public, and everyone is invited to come and watch the training. That will probably be a bad day to much brass will be around and then the officers are afraid they will be called down. When the Colonel, Major and General comes around look out! Even our Captain acts like he was scared to death.

We really had some fun night before last. About ten to six P.M. the ^{clothing} repair shop caught our fire. We could see it from the barracks. A lot of the fellows had their shoes in for repair and also their tents. They all burned up.

While the fire department was fighting it we went in and had supper and hollered, "let her burn". Well supper time so I'll finish later.

Now that supper is over I have forgotten what I was going to write. It sure seems like there is nothing to write about lately. Yes Clarence Thurston planted or sponsored any of his dry farm up. With that cat all he needs to do is stay in the pool hall and drink beer.

If you have more hay than you want to put up Bishop will put it up for you.

All I can't think of any more so will close hoping to hear from you soon.

Thomas

Oct. 5, 1944.

Dear Mother, Bro & Sister.

I am going to write this letter to you all in one as there isn't enough news for two. I just received 2 letters last night. The last one was dated the 17th of Aug. so I have received most of these before these. I should soon start getting them sooner after they are written. It takes quite a while for them to come where the address has to be changed two or three times but they say they will all eventually catch up to me. Your mail is not censored so you can write anything you want. I have decided not to go

deer hunting this fall. So you are welcome to take my gun and use all the shells you want. The same with my shotgun as there will be plenty of shells by the time I get home. I am glad to hear the lumber done so good also that the airplane will be getting along so well. I didn't expect you would raise it. But the best news is that the wheat turned out so good. I'll put Woodrow & Harry would of sure liked to of gotten their $\frac{2}{3}$ of it. I wish I could tell you more of what I am doing and some of my experiences but I am afraid that will have to wait and I will tell you them. I have been

laying around so much lately
that I am getting to lay to even
write and then there isn't anything
to say when you just lay around. They
are sure in need of an Indian summer
over here to harvest the grain. There is
sure a lot of grain in the shocks out
in the field. They raise hay, grain
potatoes and beets. There are lots of
milk cans and plenty of grass. Grass
grows every where. There there is quite
a few pine forests. They have short
needles like those at home. They are
digging potatoes now. If this war
don't soon end so I can come home
everyone will be married before I
get there. How does Esther like
married life by now? Is she

still working at the arsenal? or
has her new job got her more interested.
I sent you \$5 from New York and \$103
about a week ago. You probably won't get
it for a couple of months. As you can
see I am saving money over here anyway.
Money isn't any good over here as there
isn't anything to buy. Civilian food
is scarce and they are giving us plenty
to eat anyway. You can always pick up a
few apples if you want a little extra.
I am still well and feeling fine.
I hope my letters are arriving and that
there is a little left to them. The other
day I was in three different countries so you
can see I am seeing the country. Well I can't think
of any more so will close. Hoping to get
some more letters from you soon.
Love Thomas.



AMERICAN RED CROSS

Oct. 9, 1944

Dear mother, Bob and Sister.

Just a few lines to let you know I haven't forgotten you. I am well and feeling fine. It is a lot easier work over here than it was at Camp Wheeler. I am getting to lazy until I won't want to farm when I get home. I am writing this to all of you as there isn't enough I can think of to write separate letters. I was half through reading the Book of Mormon when I lost it so now I am reading the Bible and am about two thirds ^{through} reading it. That is about all there is to do to pass the time. So I am getting more religion than if I was home. I hope it isn't getting to cold there yet. Everything is still mild and green here the leaves are just starting to fall on some of the trees. I didn't expect to see so many ox teams as are used here. There are very few horses used here. All equipment are for one horse only. They turn the horse loose and use a fork to dig spuds. We can say that we have passed through some of the towns but I can't spell them or remember the names so it don't help me any of what to write. I hope you are getting my letters even if there isn't anything in them. I am sure getting very full of fog. If England has any more than we



AMERICAN RED CROSS

do I wouldn't want to live there for very long. But it is really a beautiful country over here. How is the dog coming by name? Is the hotel work still as hard as it was when I was home? How does Aunt Nettie like it for you to be going back and forth and not stay and do her work. The red cross girls brought us up coffee and doughnuts this afternoon. It sure seems good to see some girls that can talk English. I am now back in Belgium. I hope this war is over before winter comes. It is getting cold enough nights now here for suit me. But we don't need our overcoats yet. We are wearing our winter underclothes now. Have you started to plow yet? Did you have to help anyone in their beets? Are you going to get rid of the sheep for the fall?

Well I must close as it is getting to dark to write. It sure gets dark early and is late before it gets light mornings. I have been all afternoon trying to write this. Hoping to hear from you soon.

Love
Thomas



AMERICAN RED CROSS

Oct 25, 1944

Dear Mother, Bro and Sister

I received your letter of Oct 9 last night. Was sure glad to hear from you and that you are getting along so good. I have never done like work in my life than I have since coming overseas. Yesterday I cleaned my rifle for an hour shaved and then we spread the bull until noon after dinner I went to a U.S.O. stage show then had supper and went to bed at 6:30 as it was dark. That is a typical days work. I have seen four picture shows in the last six days. So you can plainly see I am not overworking. We are getting all the hot food from the kitchen that I can possibly eat and I have some canned C rations and also some K rations in my tent that I can eat anytime. I would guess that I would weigh about 150 stripped.

I hope you are going deer hunting and having some fun doing it. Let the neighbors milk their own



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spending a few days in Belgium. We are just moving around waiting for the war to end which I hope is soon. I hope you have got the plowing all done with that new tractor by now. Don't try to plow all the county with it this fall, you might as well go back and pheasant hunting this fall. I would rather you didn't let anyone borrow my shotgun. you probably won't be able to read this as it is to dark to see what I am doing.

I am well and feeling fine and hope you are the same. One of our hot meals was beefsteak, mashed potatoes green peas, carrots, Pineapple and bread and butter. Do you think you could live on meals like that? Every now then we get chicken quite often hot cakes for breakfast so don't worry I am getting plenty to eat and am far enough back of the lines to not be in much danger. Well I can't think of any more so I will close for this time and do better next time hoping to hear from you soon
Love Thomas



AMERICAN RED CROSS

Sam Cous.

So you think you would like to drop
in for a bull session but just to stay eh.
you might be surprised how well you
would like it here. When we are
close to a town the town is off limits for
us and then there is only a very few
civilians left in the town just enough to
take care of the livestock. I have only seen
a couple of the fellows from whipler that I
know, no one else. I sent that money
through the government so don't be
surprised if it don't come for a long
time. There isn't any thing I need I would
have to pack it with me and I have
about all I can pack. Thanks a lot.
I got the infantry combat medal
the other day so that gives me another
\$10 a month. That will make \$70 a
month. I'm making more money here
than when I was home, and just
laying around doing it. Where is
Richard? you better ask some of the
questions over again if you want them
answered soon as it is hard to tell
when that back mail will catch
up to me. It may be months coming.
I am now back in Germany after







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From: "mail.konnections.net" <rayallen@konnections.net>
 To: "Bruce & Evelyn Giles" <bruce.giles@att.net>
 Subject: Fw: Mr Thomas L Giles
 Date: Sun, 4 Nov 2007 02:02:59 +0000

----- Original Message -----

From: mail.konnections.net
 To: Destordeur-Liu
 Sent: Saturday, November 03, 2007 8:02 PM
 Subject: Re: Mr Thomas L Giles

Dear Simeon-it was good to talk to you after all these years. In regards to Mr. Thomas L Giles, I have located his family and/or at least relatives of the family who have his family history, pictures, US War Department letter notifying family of his death, news paper articles etc. They still live in Morgan, and based on my brief conversation with them, they were pleased to hear that you are taking care of his grave. I told the family that I thought the best way to handle this is to have you communicate directly with them. Their Names are Bruce and Evelyn Giles. Their phone number is (801) 829 3578 and their e-mail address is bruce.giles@att.net. Simeon, please let me know that your received this message as I'm not sure it will get there when I send it from here. Assuming you receive this message, I will send more info on what we have been doing since retirement etc. Also if I can help any more concerning contacting the Giles family, please advise.

Best regards Ray Allen

cc: Bruce & Evelyn Giles----- Original Message -----

From: Destordeur-Liu
 To: rayallen@konnections.net
 Sent: Saturday, November 03, 2007 11:30 AM
 Subject: Hello again..

We forgot add foto to our latest message. Now we are o.k. =Simeon and Family=

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Belgium, Luxemborg, and into Germany arriving in Germany on September 29.

Merrill C. Davis: heuary G. dfro mtt.\\

His mother, Mrs. Emma Spencer Giles recently received a very nice letter from Chaplin Merrill C. Davis. It reads in part as follows:

"Pfc. Thomas H. Giles lost his life in western Germany on Nover 2, 1944. His body, after a Military Funeral conducted by a chaplin of the protestant faith, was laid to rest in Belgium.

"Thomas's company was about to attack. He was in a fox hole when the enemy artillery shell burst in a nearby tree and piece of shrapnell struck him. He passed away instantly."

Survivors include his mother, one brother, Arthur Giles, Morgan; and three sisters, Mrs. Ada thurston, Morgan; Mrs. Lula Barker, Salt Lake city; and Mrs. Ethel Sorenson, Ogden.

Memorial services for Pfc. Thomas H. Giles, killed in action in Germany, November 2, 1944, will be held in the Morgan Stake Tabernacle, Sunday, April 29.

As you can see he died shortly after he arrived in Germany, and I do believe, you are correct when you said he died in the forest in Germany and then he was buried in Belgium.

Thomas's father died in 1931 and his mother remained a widow. The family was not in position to have Thomas's body shipped home.

My husband was not born 13 June 1942. He was too young to remember his uncle, but everyone said that my husband's father, Arthur, and Thomas were very close.

I see you have a list of the things that you would like, and I will be most happy to comply with your requests, if you will give me a few days to get things compiled.

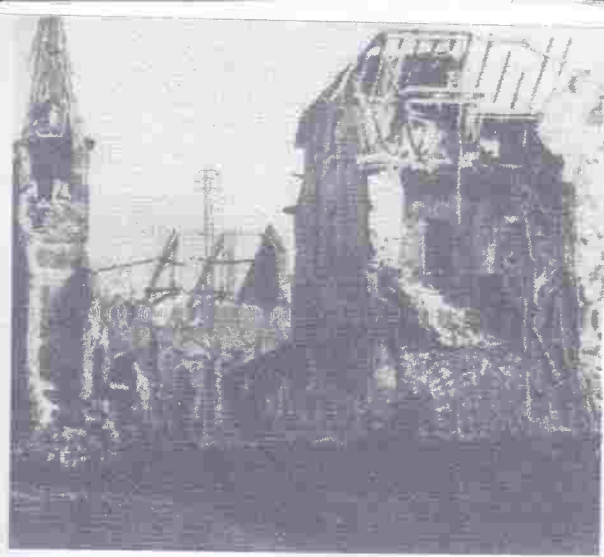
I think we are a part of a great miracle that has spanned 60 years. I am so amazed that you took the time to contact our family and convey your appreciation for the great sacrifice Thomas gave so that you and others might enjoy peace.

Bruce's father was a kind, calm, peaceful man. I have a feeling Thomas was much like him.

Do you have a home address that I can mail these things to you?

I will contact you tomorrow...Monday.

Thank you again for contacting us. Evelyn and Bruce Giles



Hürtgen 1944.



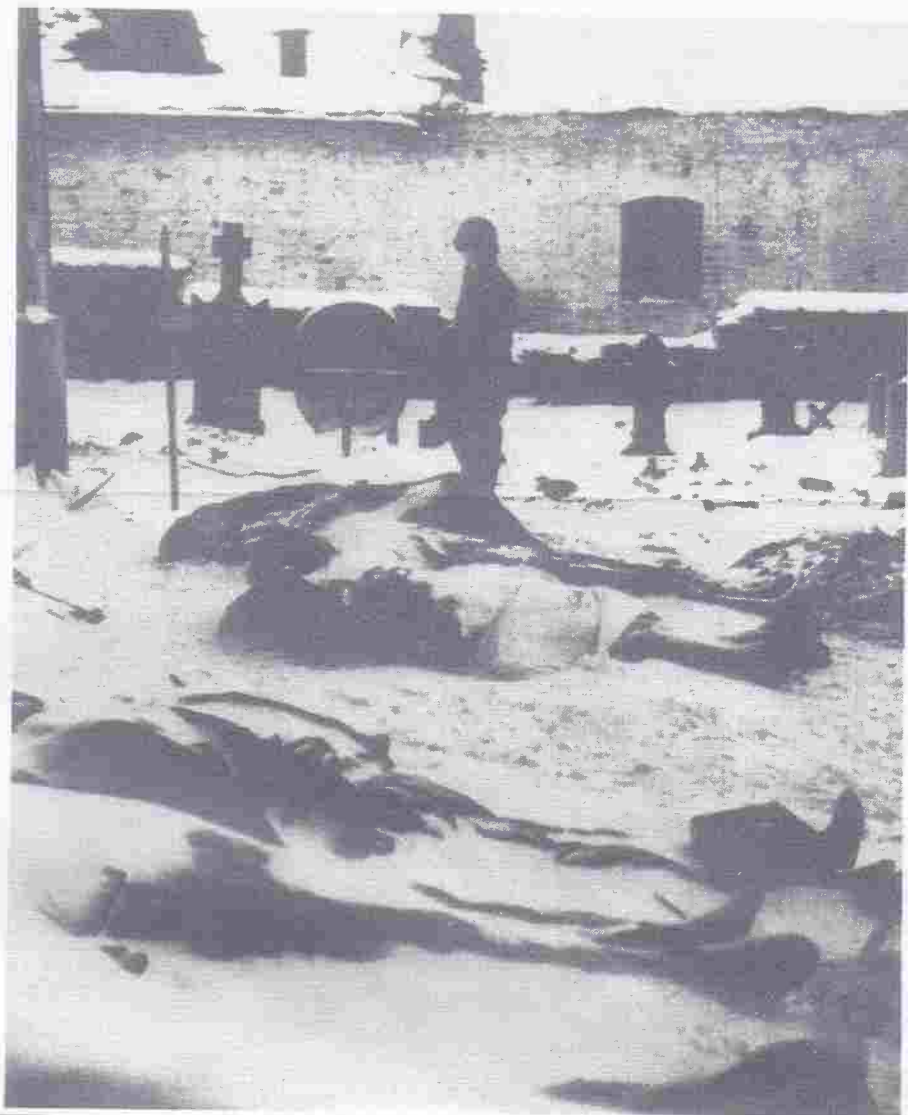
Hürtgenwald 1944 im November – das Bild spricht für sich.
Hürtgenwald 1944 in November – this picture speaks for itself.

Zerstörung und Tod!

In 2. Weltkrieg fand man im Hürtgenwald solche Ergebnisse der »Allerseelen-Schlacht um Vossenack«.
In the 2. World War such graves were found in the forest, a result of the 'All Souls-battle of Vossenack'

Die Bevölkerung flüchtete, und wer zurückblieb, wagte höchstens, die Toten am Friedhof abzulegen. Beerdigt wurden sie dann später, nach Tagen oder Wochen, wenn man sich wieder aus dem Keller herausräumen konnte.

The population fled, and those who remained dared only to bring the dead to the cemetery. They were buried later after days or even weeks when the people were able to leave their cellars.



US-Infanterie-Regiment 60 im Hürtgenwald, Winter 1944/45.
US infantry regiment 60 in Hürtgenwald Winter 44/45.

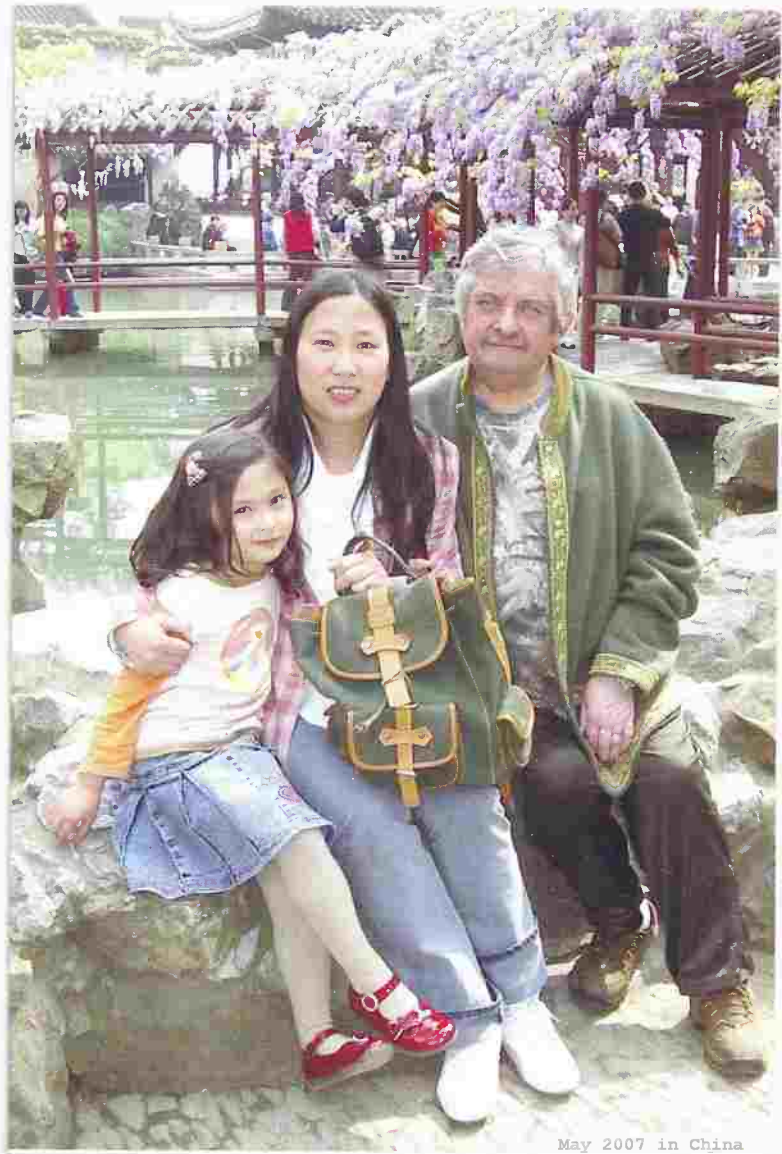


Amerikanische Panzer in Hürtgen, 28. November 1944.
American tanks in Hürtgen 28. November 1944.



Amerikanische Infanterie in Hürtgen.
American infantry in Hürtgen.

Hürtgenwald 1944

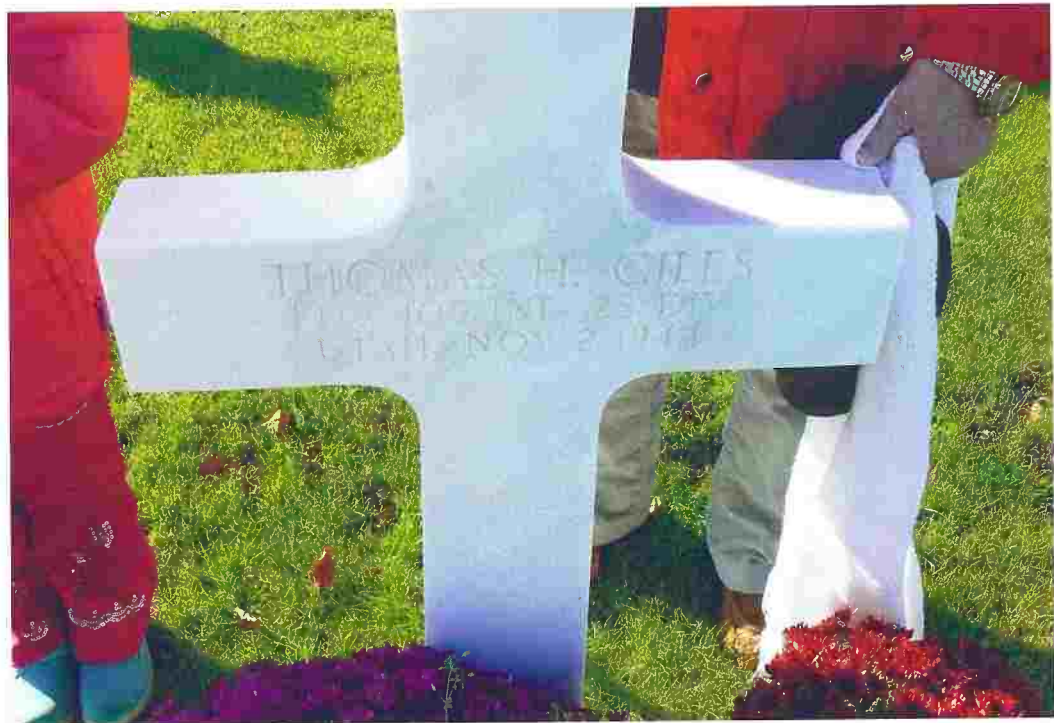


May 2007 in China









THOMAS H. GILES
1843-1917

AIRMAIL
PRIORITY



Family Bruce and Evelyn GILES
285 N Morgan Valley Dr.
MORGAN, Utah 84050



U.S.A.

Siméon DESTOADEUR, LIU, 33 RUE
DU WERIXHET, B. 4620 FLÉRON, Belgique



Joyeux Noël
et
Bonne Année

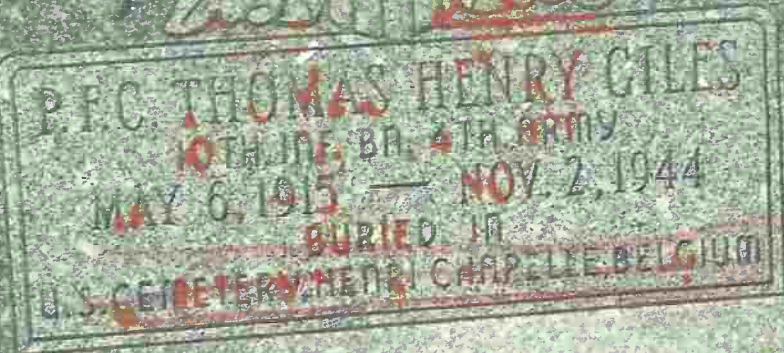
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Dear Evelyn and Bruce,
 It has been too much a
 long time without reading from
 you...
 Myself, I got very dramatic
 but serious problem with health
 In July I called my wife
 urging her to come back home
 after being outside for shopping
 It was just urgent to bring me
 to Hospital where I have been
 accepted right away in Emergency
 Dept. Breathing was very bad
 but blood pressure fell down
 to a 84" low pressure. I
 had the chance to live
 back again. Normally, I
 was just near to be dead
 God blessed me and I do hope

He will give me another
 chance to see our little
 daughter (Sara) growing up
 I stayed 4 days in Emergency
 and 13 extra days in
 Prevalence Dept. Yes
 it was been very tough
 Now, I recover slowly
 but... surely!
 I have thought very
 often of both of you.
 I offered and brought
 nice flowers to Henri Chapelle
 Cemetery. We prayed
 a lot for him and for
 you!!
 Have a good X. Mas and a
 Super New Year 2010!!
 Simon, Franca, Li-Li
 NB: The dresses are exactly what we use here



MERRY CHRISTMAS



3. CHECK BOX BELOW IF REMAINS ARE NOT BURIED AND EXPLAIN IN BLOCK 27 (e.g., lost at sea, remains scattered, etc.)

REMAINS NOT BURIED

4. (For additional space use Block 27)

5E. DATE(S) SEPARATED

MONTH	DAY	YEAR
		1944

6. MERCHANT MARINE OTHER (Specify)

9. VALOR OR PURPLE HEART AWARDS (Documentation must be provided)

MEDAL OF HONOR MOH

DST SVC CROSS DSC

NAVY CROSS NC

AIR FORCE CROSS AFC

SILVER STAR SS

BRONZE STAR MEDAL BSM (M)

PURPLE HEART PH

OTHER (Specify)

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WORLD WAR II WWII

KOREA KO

VIETNAM VN

PERSIAN GULF PG

OTHER (Specify)

11. TYPE OF HEADSTONE OR MARKER REQUESTED (Check one)

FLAT B

FLAT WITH BASE No

UPRIGH U

HEADSTONE H

BRONZE BR

GRANITE G

12. DESIRED COLOR OF MARBLE

LATIN CROSS (Christian) 01

WHEEL OF DAVID (Judaism) 02

OTHER (Specify) 03

13A. NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS (No., street, city, State, and ZIP Code) OF PERSON TO CONTACT FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

RICHARD GATE
553 No. FORD EAST
MORGAN, UTAH 84050
HOME PHONE - 801-829-6224

13B. DAYTIME PHONE NO. OF PERSON TO CONTACT FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

801-829-6224

14. E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional)

15. FAX NO. (Optional)

16. ARE YOU:

NEXT OF KIN

FUNERAL DIRECTOR

CEMETERY OFFICIAL

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER

OTHER (Specify)

CERTIFICATION: I certify the headstone or marker will be installed in the cemetery listed in block 21 at no expense to the Government and all statements made are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

17. SIGNATURE OF PERSON WHOSE NAME APPEARS IN BLOCK 13A

* Arthur Bruce Giles

18. DATE

* 10/25/2011

19. NAME AND DELIVERY ADDRESS OF BUSINESS (CONSIGNEE) THAT WILL ACCEPT PREPAID DELIVERY (No., Street, City, State and ZIP Code); P.O. BOX IS NOT ACCEPTABLE

20. DAYTIME PHONE NO. (Include Area Code)

21. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CEMETERY WHERE GRAVE IS LOCATED (No., Street, City, State and ZIP Code)

MILTON CEMETARY -

CERTIFICATION: I agree to accept prepaid delivery of the headstone or marker.

22. SIGNATURE OF PERSON REPRESENTING BUSINESS (CONSIGNEE) NAMED IN BLOCK 19

23. DATE

CERTIFICATION: I certify the type of headstone or marker checked in block 11 is permitted in the cemetery named in block 21.

24. SIGNATURE OF CEMETERY OR OTHER RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL

* Bernette W. Nelson

25. DAYTIME TELEPHONE NO. (Include Area Code)

26. DATE

Oct 25 - 2011

27. REMARKS (Optional inscription space will vary in size according to the type of marker)

28. GRAVE IS:

CURRENTLY MARKED (with privately purchased marker)

NOT MARKED

STATE VETERANS' CEMETERY AND GRAVE LOCATION (Cemetery Use Only)

29. ID CODE

30. SECTION

31. GRAVE NO.

JAN 24, 2012

DEAR BRUCE AND EVELYN,

I FOUND THIS ARTICLE IN THE JANUARY 2012 - AMERICAN LEGION MAGAZINE. A THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE TO SEE IT.

THIS TELLS WHAT THESE MEN WENT THROUGH AND ALSO, THAT SEVEN OF THEM WERE BURIED IN THE SAME CEMETARY AS YOUR UNCLE.

THANKS,

DICK SLATE

TREVOR SUATE

EAGLE SCOUT CANDIDATE

The Wereth Eleven



Award-winning film tells the forgotten story of black soldiers brutally murdered during the Battle of the Bulge.

BY LAURA EDWARDS

A docudrama about 11 black U.S. soldiers who were tortured and killed during the Battle of the Bulge is still attracting attention, nearly a year after winning the Founder's Choice Award at the 2011 GI Film Festival in Washington. The festival receives promotional support from The American Legion.

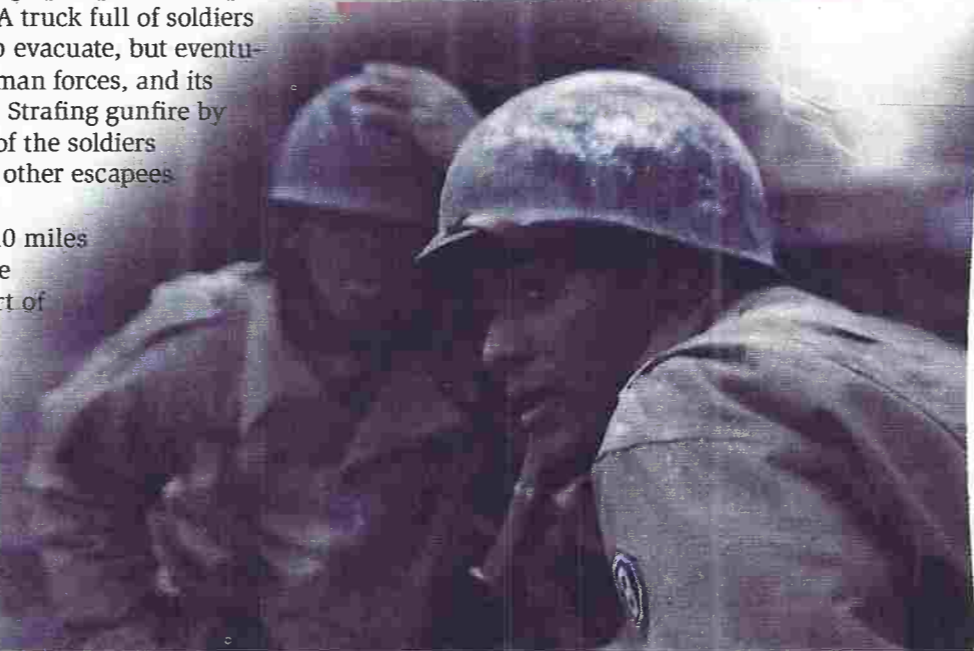
"The Wereth Eleven" tells a story that's been largely forgotten, except for the soldiers' families and citizens of the Belgian town where the murders took place. The all-black 333rd Field Artillery Battalion landed at Utah Beach on June 29, 1944. When the Germans began shelling the village of Schönberg, Belgium, on Dec. 16, the unit was overrun. Those who weren't killed were forced to surrender, with most ending up in prison camps for the remainder of the war. A truck full of soldiers from the 333rd managed to evacuate, but eventually it was stopped by German forces, and its passengers taken prisoner. Strafing gunfire by U.S. planes allowed some of the soldiers to slip away, and they met other escapees in the woods.

The Wereth 11 walked 10 miles through heavy snow to the hamlet of Wereth, in a part of

Belgium that had belonged to Germany until World War I. The soldiers stopped at the first of nine houses, where a farmer took them in. Unable to speak English, he couldn't tell them how to get to safety. Meanwhile, a Nazi sympathizer alerted the head of an SS division, and within hours, German officers were at the door. The 11 soldiers surrendered and were marched down the road, where they were maimed, killed and mutilated. Their bodies were left undisturbed in a ditch for weeks, until the people of Wereth found them and directed the U.S. military to the site. Seven of the men were laid to rest in the Henri-Chapelle American Cemetery in Belgium, and four were returned to their families for burial.

In "The Wereth Eleven," real U.S. servicemembers portray the soldiers of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion, and German re-enactors play the parts of SS officers.

Photos courtesy James Media

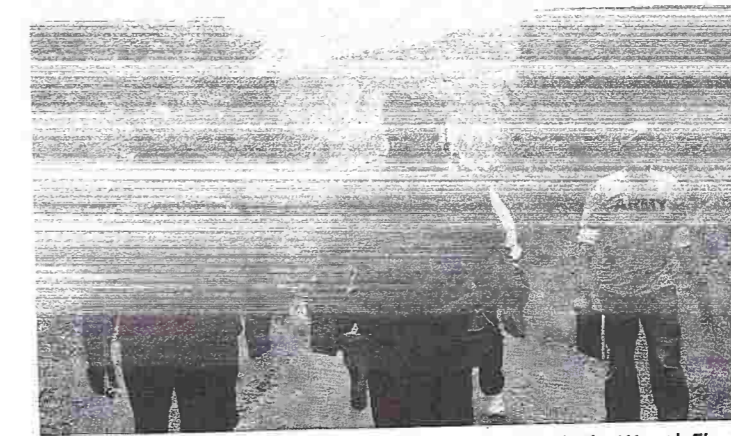


The same day, the Wereth 11 committed other atrocities, but the incident was left off the final list of war crimes for reasons not entirely clear even today. But local residents - including Herman Langer, whose father, Mathius, sheltered the Wereth 11 - haven't forgotten. In 2004, they dedicated the U.S. Wereth Memorial, believed to be the only memorial to black GIs of World War II in Europe.

The tale of the Wereth 11 has long captured the imagination of Joseph Small, who served as the film's executive producer. "I was really moved and saddened by this story," he says. "I thought that the men's dignity was taken from them, and that really bothered me. I set out on a mission to make sure the citizens of America and Europe knew what happened to those 11 men, and to make sure they knew the contribution of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion during World War II."

Small's collaborators were writer/director Rob Child and editor Frederic Lumiere, who directed and produced the History Channel miniseries "WWII in HD." He shot the film in Belgium and Maryland, and calls it "the best experience of my life. Everything fell into place - permission from the landowner in Belgium to film there, as well as the local mayor. Every piece of equipment we needed or desired for authenticity, we got. The Army commanders in Germany were a tremendous help and gave the story legitimacy. The Belgians were wonderful, and we remain close friends."

In Maryland, the young men portraying the 11 soldiers worked three days in 100-degree heat without complaint, lying still in uniforms made of wool. "I tried to call the shoot three times, but they waved me off and said they were fine, out of respect and honor to the soldiers," Small says.



Joseph Small, executive producer of "The Wereth Eleven," marches in period military gear to get a better sense of what soldiers experienced during World War II. Photo courtesy James Media

Child says he was determined to give "The Wereth Eleven" the feeling of a large-scale production, despite its less-than-large-scale budget. Through computer-generated effects and clever editing, Child succeeded in using "a limited number of actors to create huge scenes." And it wasn't just the actors who had to be manipulated. "We filmed from May to July, and it had to look like December," Child adds. The film has a blue-gray tint to convey the battle's cold weather.

The film weaves together scenes of Small and two descendants of the 333rd soldiers at the site of the massacre, along with re-enactments and comments from George Shomo, a staff sergeant in the 333rd and a POW. The actors portraying the Wereth 11 are members of the U.S. military stationed in Germany. Child says the story "had a great impact on their performances. They felt like they were representing African-American history. Every take, they gave it their all."

Lumiere says the bluescreen and post-production editing process "is almost like a video game. It reminded me of playing with those little green GIs when I was a kid." An extra feature on the film's DVD, "The Wereth 11 Exposed," shows how all the film's elements, real and computer-generated, came together. "All the rules of great storytelling apply," even with great production, he adds. Lumiere attended a screening of the film in Wereth, and says it got an "incredible reception. There's a true love and true appreciation for Americans there ... it's still very much alive today."

In addition to receiving the GI Film Festival's Founder's Award, "The Wereth Eleven" and its editor received a nomination in the Outstanding Editing-Television category of the 2011 Hollywood Post Alliance Awards. As for Small, he's finished a new film, "The Road to Nowhere," and is an executive producer of the coming World War II feature film "No Better Place to Die."

Of the Wereth 11, he says, "I wanted to honor these men by showing just how skilled they were, and simply portray them as 11 American soldiers who belonged to the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion, which fought with distinction, honor and incredible bravery since the day they landed on Utah Beach."

Laura Edwards is assistant editor of The American Legion Magazine.

Bruce!
Hope all is going well with you
and yours. Seems like you
mentioned once to me that Tom
Giles was your uncle. My father,
Lloyd Ralph Warner and Tom were
apparently friends. We came
across this story that Dad
wrote about him. Thought you
may want a copy.
Kim Warner

K. Warner
5890 W. Old Hwy Rd.
Morgan UT 84050

SALT LAKE CITY UT 840

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Mr. Bruce Giles
285 N. Morgan Valley Dr.
Morgan, UT 84050

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UNCLE
THOMAS
GILES

TOMMY

I was in the County Court House a few days ago, and as I usually do I visited with my old friends and comrades who's pictures line the display case in the hall opposite the veteran room. I was raised with most of those guys and some I knew very well. They all have one thing in common and that is they all gave their lives for their country. Yes, that means they died for you and I. As I pondered and looked over the pictures, my eyes became fixed on one soldier - 'Tommy Giles' - of Milton. My memory took me back to an event which really demonstrated what kind of a man he was. I should like to tell you about it.

I don't remember the exact year, but I believe it was the first year that a great bunch of teachers came to Morgan High School. Namely: Pratt Wright, Sonford, Terry, Christianson, etc. Anyhow, Pratt Wright took us farm boys on a camping trip during the summer to the Grand Daddy Lakes in the high Uintah Mountains. Tommy and I were two boys of that group. Tommy was a likeable kid with a mouth full of teeth; a good sense of humor and easy to get along with. Both he and I were just a couple of skinny farm kids who only knew how to pitch hay, milk cows and plow the North 40. That first night we camped at Mirror Lake and the next morning Pratt said he would give a prize to the first one to reach the top of Bald Mountain.

We all started out fast and I held the lead to about half way to the top. I was breathing like an old plow horse when Tommy passed me looking vigorous and determined. I was also bound and determined that he was not going to beat me. I struggled with all my might. My lungs burned. I fell down and began to crawl but to no avail. Tommy was first, I was second and I believe it was Frank Wardley from Enterprise who came in third. As I lay there exhausted, I looked over at Tommy and for a brief moment I hated him for beating me. Then the hate soon turned to respect for I knew he had won fair and square and that he was the best man.

Yes, after that beating I got a deep respect for him which has lasted all my life. I often wondered how he got that grit and stamina and the best I could figure out was he got it from running those ridges back of Milton between Deep Creek and Dalton Creek. Tommy was killed in Germany during the Great War - 2, November, 1944. I'll bet he sure gave those Krauts hell before he passed on.

Anyhow, Tommy you won the greatest race. You won the big one which really counts. As the 'Good Book' says, you are the best as you gave your life for a friend. In my book, that makes you the top of the line - the greatest. As one old veteran to another, I would just like to say 'thank you' for helping make it possible for me to live in and enjoy the luxuries of the greatest nation in history, Yes, thank you Tommy, for making a world in which such as I can enjoy the privilege of driving to Red Rock in the late afternoon, buy a ham and cheese sandwich, and go out onto the deck and watch the sun go down upon those beautiful red hills.

And So Far, Far In To the Night.....

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Uncle tom

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More detailed information about his service (long version):

Thomas Henry Giles was registered for the draft in the Fall of 1940 in a group of 308 men from Morgan County between the ages of 21 and 35. The serial numbers were assigned by the County Draft Board. Thomas' serial number was 67 out of 308.

Thomas was notified sometime in late 1943 that he had been drafted and was expected to report for duty in January 1944. Thomas was inducted into the army on January 5, 1944 in Salt Lake City. He trained at Camp Wheeler, Georgia and was awarded three medals for expert marksmanship.

In July of 1944 he came home on furlough, after which he reported to Fort Meade, Maryland for overseas deployment. Sometime in September, 1944, he arrived in the European theater, landing in England and heading for his assigned unit - Company E, 109th Infantry Regiment, 28th Division. It is currently unknown when he actually reached his unit, but he arrived, along with his unit, in Germany on Sept. 29, 1944. Before arriving in Germany, he marched through Paris, Belgium, and Luxembourg, suggesting that he probably met up with his unit in early September.

The 28th Division had been deployed to the front and landed in Normandy, France six weeks after D-Day on July 22, 1944, then spent the next weeks in the liberation of northern France.

On August 29, 1944, the Division marched down the Champs Élysées in Paris as part of the "Victory Day" parade. The parade lasted over four hours with the streets lined with cheering French citizens. The troops were reviewed at the Arc d'Triomphe by Generals Omar Bradley, Courtney Hodges, Norman Cota, and French General Charles de Gaulle, among others.

The celebration for the Division was short-lived as the unit received orders at midnight that they were to continue with all possible speed in pursuing the retreating Germans across the North of France. On September 1, 1944, the Division began a march of 195 miles and over the next eleven days, they found themselves marching across Luxembourg, assembling near the German border and the Siegfried Line (or West Wall) on September 11.

Their role was to probe the Line looking for weak areas where the Army could break through into Germany. The Division hammered the line, destroying pillboxes and other fortifications, but also encountering resistance and heavy casualties at times. During September, the Division worked it's way along the line and fought in places like Sevenig, Harspelt, and Roscheid, eventually making their way North to Elsenborn, Belgium on October 1, 1944. The unit continued to work on finding a way into the German homeland near Elsenborn, rotating in and out of combat to rest and replace casualties until they were relieved by the 4th Division on October 25, 1944.

They were ordered to replace the 9th Division which had sustained heavy casualties in fighting near the Huertgen Forest on the Belgium/Germany border. The 9th Division had attempted to secure the area a few weeks earlier and had been massacred. Unseasonably cold, cloudy and snowy weather prevented the First Army from providing badly needed air support in the area.

The initial attack of the 28th Division had been delayed several times in the hopes that the weather would break and more support would be available. However, with no signs of the weather clearing, the orders came from above that they were to launch an offensive to take Vossenack and Schmidt inside the German border on November 2, 1944 with or without air support.

The German artillery defenses nearby had developed a brutal technique of shortening the mortar fuses so that they would explode at the treetop level. They result was a devastating barrage of falling tree limbs and shrapnel and the soldiers on the ground had virtually no way to defend themselves. Without air cover to halt the German artillery, the ground troops were literally like sitting ducks once their position was known.

On November 2, 1944, the weather was poor, and the Division was sent into battle without meaningful air support. With the 110th and 112th tasked with pressing toward the objective of taking the town of Schmidt, the 109th Infantry was assigned to secure the northern area between the towns of Germeter and Huertgen.

In the ensuing days, Vossenack and Schmidt changed hands several times in a savage battle. According to the medical report, "Because of the density of the forest, along the entire front and the concentration of enemy Artillery and Mortar fire, a great many 'tree bursts' occurred causing an unusual large number of shell fragment wounds. The total casualty rate was very high."

In late November, a letter was sent to Thomas' mother indicating that he had been slightly wounded in the Battle of Huertgen Forest. In March, 1945, she received another letter indicating that instead of merely being wounded, he had died in combat. The letter from Chaplain Merrill C. Davis indicated that as his unit was preparing to leave their foxholes early in the morning of November 2, 1944, a tree burst exploded above his position and he was killed instantly by the falling shrapnel.

At the request of his next of kin, his remains were not repatriated, but were interred at the Henri-Chapelle American Cemetery in Belgium in Plot C Row 5 Grave 48. A memorial service was held at the Morgan Stake Tabernacle on April 29, 1945.

Movement of the 28th Division during 1944

July 22 - Shipped to France, Normandy campaign (north and west of Saint-Lô)

August 1 - Percy

August 7 - Gathemo

August 10 - Gathemo

August 12 - General Wharton assumes command and is killed by a sniper, General Cota assumes command

August 20 - moving north and east

August 24 - Le Neubourg

August 25 - Elbeuf

August 28 - Marched 15 miles, trucked for 15 miles to assembly area outside Paris

August 29 - Parade in celebration of the liberation of Paris

September 1 - Began road march of 195 miles

September 7 - Luxembourg, crossing the Our River south of Clervaux

September 11 - Binsfeld (?) (Siegfried Line or West Wall)

September 12 - Sevenig

September 13 - Harspelt

September 14 -

October 1 - Moved north to Elsenborn

October 4-5 - German border east of Elsenborn

October 6 - Returned to (?)

October 25 - Relieved by the 4th Division and sent to relieve the 9th Division near Huertgen

October ? - Rott, near Huertgen Forest

November 2 - Attack on Huertgen

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WE HONOR THOSE WHO SERVED THEIR COUNTRY

Buried here are many who served their country in all branches of the armed forces. There are upward of 50 veterans buried here. All of them served with honor and courage. We owe each of them our unending gratitude and thanks for their unselfish sacrifices for us.

Four of these veterans gave their lives for our freedom. Tragedy struck twice at the Walter Nelson home in Milton they were notified that their son Sgt. Henry Burton Nelson was killed in action in France on 25 November 1944. Another son Lt. Norris A. Nelson had been missing in action over Boiugianville since 14 November 1943. At the outbreak of the war Norris enlisted in the Air Force and graduated from bombardier flying school 13 August 1943. He had flown many successful missions and was ready to come home when a bombardier on another crew became ill and Norris was asked if he would take the other flyer's place. That plane never returned from its mission and was sighted going down in the Pacific.

Burton was inducted into the Army on 29 November 1943, only 2 weeks after Norris had been reported missing in action. On 10 November 1944, Burton wrote a letter home from France. He said they were holed up in a barn and he had a chance to shave and comb his hair for the first time in many days. Some farm animals had been left there, so he was milking the cow and he said the milk tasted pretty good. Then he closed the letter with these words, "I hope history repeats itself tomorrow and ends the war. It's sad anyway you take it. May the Lord be with us. I remain your son, Burton
Four days later Burton was killed in Weisse, France. It had only been a year and a day from the time that Norris was reported missing in action.

On 1 December 1944 Chester Olson, a cousin of the Nelson boys, was killed in action in Germany. His parents received the telegram notifying them of his death on 29 December, and a few days later they received a letter from a companion of Chester whom he had asked to write his folks should he be killed. A joint

memorial service for Burton and Chester was held Sunday, 14 January 1945. The program at the tabernacle was conducted by Bishop Clifford Spendlove.

Pfc. Thomas H. Giles lost his life in western Germany on November 2 1944. His body, after a Military funeral conducted by a chaplain of the Protestant faith, was laid to rest in Belgium. Thomas Company was about to attack. He was in a fox hole when an enemy artillery shell burst in a nearby tree and a piece of shrapnel struck him. He passed away instantly.

On March 15 1945 a card was sent from Chief of Staff of the war department, General George Marshall, to the mother of Thomas, Mrs. Emma S. Giles. The message engraved on this card reflects the feelings of all of us when we remember those who gave their lives for their country. It read as follows:

*General Marshall
extends his deep sympathy
in your bereavement. Your son
fought valiantly in a supreme hour
of his country's need. His memory will
live in the grateful heart of our nation.*

FREDERICK

~~Fredrick~~ William
and Emma
Spencer Giles

End of Book

Married

27 Nov. 1901