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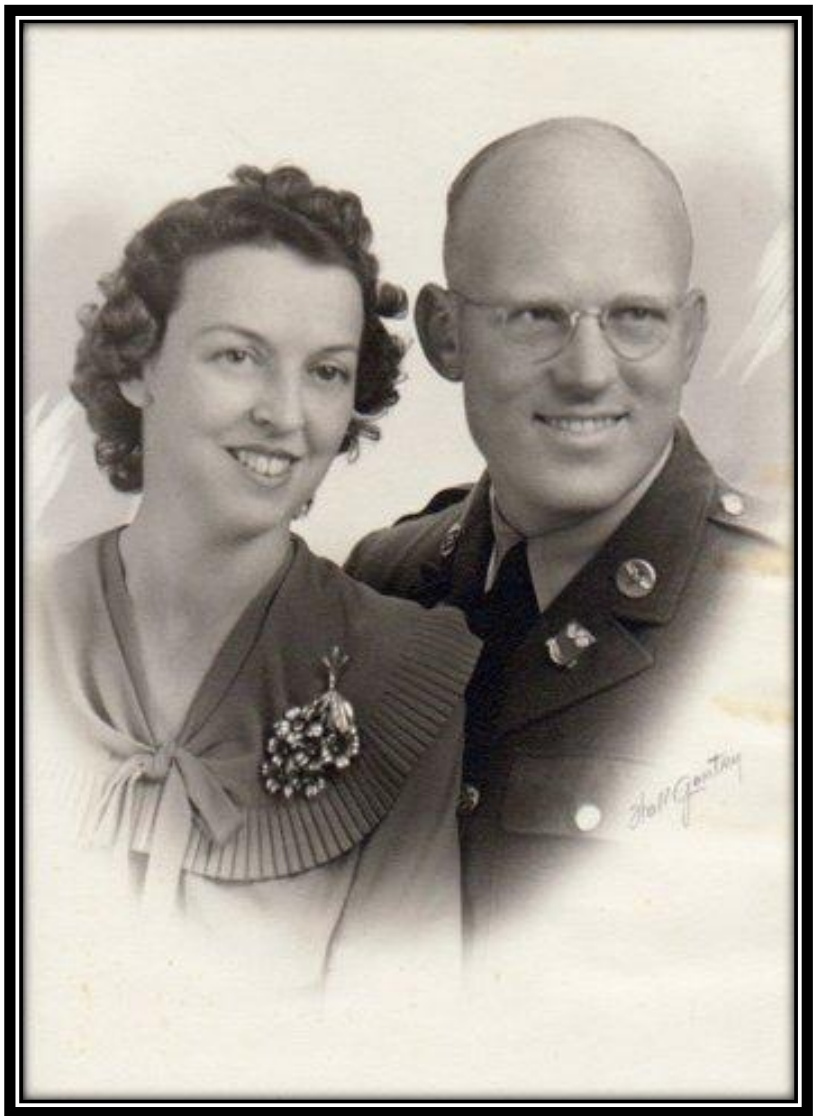

Eldon and Dorothy Anderson

Harris County and Galveston County Texas

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The Bay Area Genealogical Society Quarterly is a quarterly publication of the Bay Area Genealogical Society, a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization dedicated to assisting members in genealogical research and education. This publication is devoted to the preservation and recording of historic places and events in our area. We solicit articles from members and non-members and welcome items such as local Bible, military and cemetery records as well as articles of general interest in the field of genealogy. Members are encouraged to submit articles involving their ancestral history from all geographic areas. Each quarterly will feature the five-generation pedigree chart of a member and a section for queries. The Quarterly is indexed in the Periodical Source Index (PERSI) which alerts researchers worldwide to our articles.

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- Individual - $20
- Family - $25
- Contributor - $30 to $49
- Patron - $50 to $599
- Lifetime - $600 or higher

Society Meetings are held the last Friday of each month at the University Baptist Church, 16106 Middlebrook Drive, Houston, Texas in the Clear Lake City area. Members meet at 6:30 for coffee, and the business meeting begins at 7:00 p. m. Programs feature a variety of speakers who share genealogy tools to aid in our research.

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President's Message

B.A.G.S. is an all-volunteer organization so it is essential that members volunteer and participate in activities. Officers are elected every two years to the Board of Directors, and volunteers are needed for various committees. Volunteering also offers an opportunity to interact with other genealogists and exchange ideas. Please feel free to contact any officer with questions about B.A.G.S. or about getting assistance.

If you are new to genealogical research we can help you get started. If you are an experienced genealogist, we hope you will find the activities and meetings interesting and helpful.

Don't forget we have FREE bus rides to Clayton Library for Genealogical Research scheduled for the upcoming year. In addition, you can visit one of several Latter Day Saints Family History Centers in the area.

We hope you enjoy the monthly meetings, meeting other genealogists and have much success in researching your family lines. Have a happy and safe holiday and we look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

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Sincerely,
Shirley Lindquist

From the Editor

I want to thank Melodey Hauch for the wonderful job she has done as *The BAGS Quarterly* editor. Working on this issue, my first as editor, I have a new appreciation for the dedication she has put into this position. Unfortunately, this will be my last issue as editor. I am forced by health issues to resign. Please support the new editor by submitting articles for the new *BAGS Journal*. The *Journal* will look just like the *Quarterly* except that instead of four issues a year, we will publish an issue whenever we have a sufficient number of articles. Look back through old issues for ideas. We can sustain our publication only with the support of our members.

Annette Bowen's article tells the story of her father's military experiences. During her search, Annette found that a fire at the St. Louis National Personnel Record Center destroyed her father's military records. She overcame this obstacle by using family letters, newspapers and other background sources. Kenneth Marks gave permission to reprint his blog about using passport applications for genealogy research. Kenneth invites you to visit his website (www.theancestorhunt.com) for other research ideas. Melodey Hauch submitted her paper on the importance of cluster genealogy and why you should use it in your research

The final installment of our Mount Olivet Cemetery Transcription Project is complete with the third part of the sixth section, Saint Edith Stein. Two BAGS volunteers, Lanny Martin and Sarah Hurt, have added inscriptions and tombstone photos to Mount Olivet's site on *Findagrave.com*. Thanks to their efforts, the number of Mount Olivet graves on that website has jumped from a total of 4600 to over 6100 with 90% of the memorials including photographs of the tombstones. This will be a great resource to researchers all over the country looking for family graves in the cemetery.

Last but not least, remember to complete your 5-generation charts and submit them to Eleanor Caldwell or to the registrar. They do not have to be complete to be submitted. You can update them when you find new information. These 5-generation charts are published in the *Quarterly* (or *Journal* going forward).

With my thanks for your support,
Deborah A. Cole

State Library and Archives

Open for Researchers on Second Saturdays

Beginning January 11, 2014, the Texas State Library and Archives Commission will expand its hours of operation to accommodate researchers. The Commission's three public service areas – the Texas State Archives, Texas Family Heritage Research Center and the Reference and Information Center – will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. the second Saturday of each month. The facility is located at 1201 Brazos Street in Austin.

Resources and services available include:

- Archival government records dating back to the 18th century
- Newspapers
- Books
- Journals
- Legal resources
- Manuscripts
- Photographs
- Historical maps
- Free access to online databases, including TexShare, Ancestry and Fold3
- Genealogical collections
- County histories
- City directories
- U.S. and Texas government publications
- Interlibrary loan service
- Public access computers
- Digital microform reader/printers
- Walk-up book scanner
- Knowledgeable and dedicated staff

Please note: Researchers using original documents in the State Archives for the first time will be required to register and must present valid photo identification and proof of current address.

On Second Saturdays, no materials will be pulled from closed stack areas after 3:30 p.m. In addition, all archival materials will be removed from the reading room at 3:45 p.m.

Our regular public service hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. The library is closed on most federal holidays.

To learn more about the Commission's collections and agency operations, please visit www.tsl.state.tx.us.

Questions concerning Second Saturdays may be sent to reference.desk@tsl.state.tx.us.

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Eldon Leroy Anderson, World War II Soldier

Annette Anderson Bowen

Although he never talked of his war experiences, I grew up knowing that Daddy had served in World War II. The story, as I remember hearing it, was that he was the first man drafted from Pierce County, Wisconsin, that he had met my mother when he was stationed at Keesler Field in Biloxi, Mississippi, and that he was in China when I was born and didn't see me until I was nine months old. Daddy died of a malignant brain tumor three days after his 63rd birthday, years before I began researching my family history. When I began trying to piece together his military service, I learned that his service records had been destroyed in 1973 in a fire at the St. Louis National Personnel Record Center. Thus I began researching his military service by looking through letters and papers that my mother had saved, letters that my aunts had given me, and newspapers on microfilm. I found background information on the Internet and other alternate sources.

Eldon Leroy Anderson was born 6 February 1911 in Pierce County, Wisconsin, to Henry and Clara Anderson. He was their second son. His birth would be followed by six sisters, one of whom died the day after her birth. Henry was a successful and progressive farmer, always willing to try the newest techniques and equipment. His oldest son, Arnold, was expected to take over the farm after his father retired. After Arnold completed his schooling at the neighborhood one-room school, he began working full time on the farm. The farm wasn't big enough to support three families. Thus Eldon had to find a different career. He went into town to attend Ellsworth High School, then took a one-year rural teacher course at the nearby college and began teaching first through eighth grades at one- and two-room rural schools.

In September 1940 Congress passed a law initiating the first peacetime draft in American history. Young men between 21 and 36 were required to register at local draft boards. Each was given a number and a national lottery was held to establish the draft order.[1] Farmers were exempt from the draft because they were needed to feed the nation, but teachers were not exempt because women could fill teaching jobs. Thus, Eldon was not exempt, and when his number came up for the June 1941 draft, Eldon Leroy Anderson reported for duty. He probably was the first man to be drafted that his family in rural Wisconsin knew.

Eldon and the other draftees left Ellsworth, Wisconsin by bus to travel to Milwaukee on the opposite side of the state, where they were inducted into the U.S. Army on 11 June 1941. Eldon received a brief period of basic training at Scott Field, Illinois and was assigned to Keesler Field, Biloxi, Mississippi, on 10 July 1941. Keesler was a brand new Army Airfield, activated on 12 June 1941 as Army Air Corps Station No. 8, Aviation Mechanics School.[2] Eldon was among the first soldiers to arrive. He said it was a swampy coastal plain with nothing there when he arrived on a hot, humid, summer day. His squadron, the 310th Technical School Squadron, was the first squadron to move into the new barracks on 8 September 1941.[3] Until then they must have lived in tents.

From July 10 through October 16, 1941, Eldon was assigned to the morning report section at the headquarters, the group in charge of most of the changes to service records.[4] Then because of his age, he was released from the army and went home to Wisconsin. Following the December 7th attack on Pearl Harbor, Eldon was re-activated on 5 February 1942[5] and again assigned to the 310th Technical School Squadron at Keesler Field. From addresses on envelopes of letters that had been saved, I was able to track his service locations.

Not long after his first arrival in Biloxi, Eldon met Dorothy Holder. She lived in Jackson, Mississippi, but had attended a church retreat on the Gulf Coast where Eldon, as a member of a quartet of soldiers from Keesler, had presented a song fest. On 26 August 1942, Eldon and Dorothy married at her home in Jackson. Dorothy continued to live in Jackson, where she worked as secretary to the vice president of an insurance company. Eldon remained at Keesler; however, on their first anniversary, the card he sent Dorothy had a return address in Deland, Florida. There was a Naval Air Station in Deland, but I have found no Army or Army Air Corps base at that location, and I do not know why he was in Florida or how long he stayed.

In 1943 Eldon was transferred to Berkeley, California, to study the Thai language at the University of California Berkeley. According to Dorothy, the army assumed that Eldon had a talent for languages because he had grown up in a bilingual home (English and Swedish). Dorothy went with him to Berkeley and found work as a secretary at the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory. Although Eldon had to live on campus during the week, he could stay with Dorothy on weekends. His assignment at Berkeley stretched to one year, and during this time he was able to complete the requirements for a bachelor's degree.

At the end of a year of learning the Thai language, using logic that only our military understands, Eldon was sent to China, not to Thailand. Dorothy, now expecting a baby, returned to her home in Mississippi. Eldon went first to Fort Riley in Kansas for additional training before he boarded the *USS General Mann* in San Pedro, California, to travel overseas. In a letter to Dorothy, written from Shanghai, China, 5 November 1945, he said that he had boarded the *USS Mann* at noon the 5th of February, but didn't sail until the 7th. His 34th birthday on February 6, 1945 was spent aboard the ship, waiting to depart for Bombay, India.

The *USS General Mann* sailed from San Pedro, California to Melbourne, Australia, arriving there on 23 February. Two days later she set sail for Bombay, India, arriving on 10 March 1945.[6] Three days later Eldon's baby daughter was born, an event that he would not learn about for some time. When he wrote his parents on 28 March, he was still awaiting news from Dorothy about the birth, hoping that she would contact the Red Cross because the mail was slow and not reliable.

The city of Bombay, now called Mumbai, is on India's western coast. Eldon and the other soldiers traveled by train across the subcontinent of India. To his parents, he wrote on 12 April 1945, "Breakfast in India and dinner in China, with an airplane ride over the Hump is what we experienced a few days ago. What I've seen so far of China, I've liked better than India. It was really a thrill to come down out of the clouds to see green fields of grain below." (The Himalaya Mountains were known as "The Hump.") Eldon had received a letter from his wife Dorothy and another from his mother-in-law, telling him about the birth of his daughter. He mentioned that he had exchanged $5 American money for 3500 cn, Chinese money. He thought prices were very high. A steak dinner cost over 1000 cn and a silk bedspread was marked 49,000 cn. In a letter to his sister and brother-in-law, dated 16 April 1945 with parts cut out by the censors, Eldon wrote, "I surely have travelled a lot since I left Riley. We have crossed India, up over the Hump by air and we are now in China, and we will be seeing a lot more of China." In another letter to his parents, written from Kunming, China, 28 June 1945, he complained that his stomach was bothering him and that he wasn't going to eat Chinese food again after he got home!

Eldon's age and poor eyesight kept him out of combat, but there was a local uprising in which a young Chinese man who worked at his location was killed. Eldon's sister said that he felt guilty because when the young man was killed, he was running an errand for Eldon.

During the last months of the war and after Japan's surrender, Eldon's job was to keep track of each soldier's points in the Advanced Service Rating System. Points were awarded for each month served (1 point), for each month in service overseas (1 point), for combat awards (5 points), for children under 18 with a maximum of three (12 points). When a soldier accumulated at least 85 points, he was eligible to rotate back to the United States.[7]

On 14 August 1945, it was announced that Japan had surrendered unconditionally to the Allies, effectively ending World War II. On 2 September 1945, Japan's formal surrender took place aboard the *USS Missouri*, anchored in Tokyo Bay.[8] Germany had surrendered in May. Thus the long war was finally over. Eldon was transferred from Kunming to Shanghai to Headquarters of the U.S. Forces, China Theatre, where his job continued to be keeping records of Air Corps personnel. On 30 September 1945 he was commended for records that were outstanding in their completeness and correctness. He received a temporary promotion to Staff Sergeant on 16 October 1945.

Eldon was anxious to go home. Letters to his wife Dorothy were all about his hope to be home with her and their daughter for Christmas. He didn't know where he would be discharged. Since he had enlisted in

Wisconsin, he was afraid they'd send him there for discharge. He hoped he would be sent to Camp Shelby in Mississippi, near his wife and daughter.

Eldon left Shanghai, China for home on the morning of November 12, 1945 aboard the *USS Hocking*, a personnel attack ship #121.[9] Eldon, who seldom complained, wrote to Dorothy that the ship was very slow. He was feeling seasick. The ship was crowded, and the weather was hot. There was only one shower for about three hundred men, and the water was on for only about an hour in the morning, an hour at noon, and an hour at night.

Eldon wrote from Guam, where the ship made a stop, that they were rebuilding part of the ship to make room for 400 additional men. They added a stairway into an empty compartment, and put in a ventilation system and beds for the additional men. They were to work all night, load up in the morning and immediately set sail for San Pedro, California. Eldon worried about the additional men on the crowded ship. It was too hot to stay inside and too crowded to find a place to sit or even stand in the shade on deck.

"NOW HEAR THIS," published aboard the *Hocking* on November 22, 1945, had been postponed "until we could get some paper at Guam, borrow a typewriter from the Medics, desk space from another party and the ship's mimeograph." It reported on the water supply. Consumption of fresh water was faster than the ship's evaporators could distill the sea water, resulting in curtailing of washing facilities aboard ship. Six of the seven fresh water showers had been turned off., but salt water showers were still functioning. It also provided the Thanksgiving Day Menu: Turkey barley soup, roast turkey, mashed potatoes, buttered peas, cranberry sauce, bread and butter, ice cream, and coffee. This one-page newsletter also included a brief bio of the Captain and a ship's history. There were 28 shopping days until Christmas, and at 7 a.m. "Uncle Sugar" was 4,709 miles and 14 days away![10]

The *Hocking* docked at San Pedro at 2100 on December 5. Eldon's parents and sister, who lived in the Los Angeles area, met him when he landed, and he saw for the first time a portrait of his daughter that they had brought. Dorothy had sent him many snapshots, but the portrait she had sent him had not arrived. In the final letter I found, ironically dated 7 December, the anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, Eldon was about to board a train for Camp Shelby, Mississippi, his discharge center. His separation date was 13 December 1945, exactly nine months after his daughter's birth. He was home for Annette's first Christmas!

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[1] http://www.americainwwii.com/articles/your-numbers-up/ "Your Number's Up! By Carl Sebrowski, accessed 01/18/2013.
[2] http://www.keesler.af.mil/library/factsheets/factsheet.asp?id=4881, "History of Keesler Air Force Base", accessed 01/18/2013.
[3] Ibid.
[4] Brief autobiography written by Eldon Anderson for his 40th high school reunion, in possession of author.
[5] Membership Information form for Miss. Public Employees' Retirement System, in possession of author.
[6] Email from Joseph Anthony, mja0117@webtv.net, a member of the USS General W. A. Mann Association, dated 4/2/2012, referencing the Mann's published history plus information sent to him over the years by members of the Association.
[7] http://warren421.home.comcast.net/~warren421/score.html, from the *Stars and Stripes*.
[8] http://www.history.com/topics/v-j-day.
[9] http://www.history.navy.mil/photos/sh-usn/usnsh-h/apa121.htm.
[10] "NOW HEAR THIS," Vol. I, No. 1, 22 November 1945, in possession of the author.

Sgt. Eldon Leroy Anderson

How to Score Points

Points for discharge from the Army will be totalled as follows:

1. Each month in service	1 Point
2. Each month in service overseas	1 Point
3. Each combat award (includes each medal and each battle participation star)	5 Points
4. Each dependent child under 18 (maximum of three)	12 Points

The four items above are the ONLY ones for which points will be awarded. No points will be awarded for age, marriage or dependents other than children under 18. A complete list of medals and campaigns for which points are to be awarded is published on page 5 of today's paper.

"Interim" minimum score for eligibility for discharge of EM. (This score is not final. The final critical score for discharge will be based on a complete tabulation of points of all soldiers. It is expected to be the same or slightly lower.)	85 Points
"Interim" minimum score for eligibility for discharge of enlisted Wacs	44 Points

Explanation of Points System from *Stars and Stripes*

13 Reasons to Research Passport Applications for Genealogy

Kenneth R. Marks

There are so many different types of records that guide us to the information about our ancestors and their lives.

One of the many - and often overlooked, are passport applications and passports themselves. Here we will show and discuss U.S. applications and show and discuss a passport from Nazi Germany.

For United States passport applications, required reading is from the U.S. National Archives - **Passport Applications** (http://www.archives.gov/research/passport/index.html). The history, types, limitations and how to access the microfilms of registers and indexes are included.

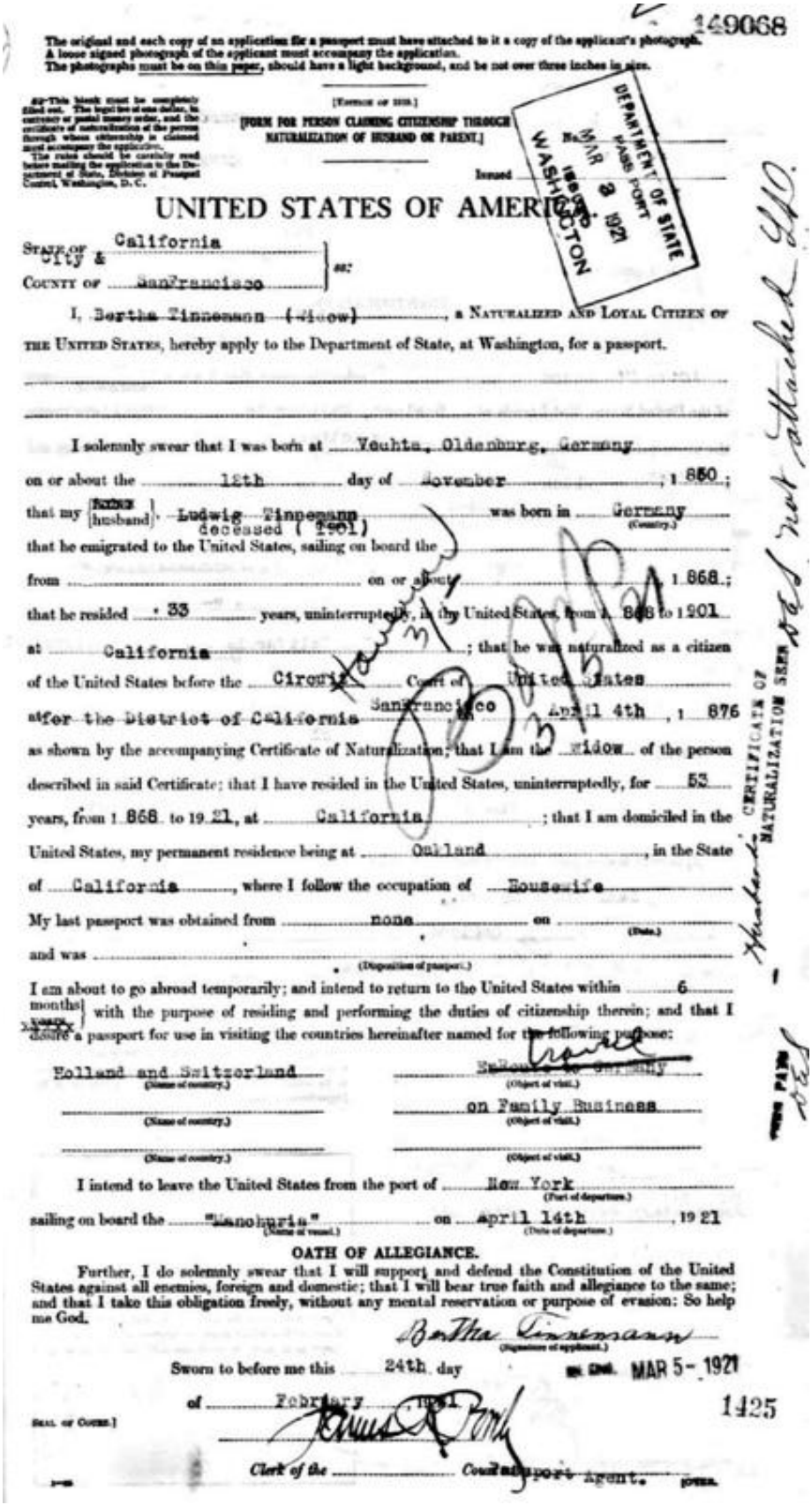
So what unique and interesting information can be found in a U.S. passport application from the collection of 1795 - 1925?

- Birth date
- Birth location
- Marital status
- Name of husband or father
- Date of immigration
- Date of naturalization and where and what court
- Ship information
- Possible information about children and other relatives
- Occupation
- Current residence and length of residency
- Destination and reason for travel
- Physical description - with no photograph, this may be the only hint of what they looked like
- Photograph - this is a huge bonus as these applications provided the only photograph that I have of some ancestors. Low quality, but better than nothing.

  In microfilm form, they are available from NARA and the Family History Library in Salt Lake City.

  Online, check out ancestry.com **U.S. Passport Applications, 1795-1925** (http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=1174) and **Passport Applications, 1795-1905** (http://www.fold3.com/title_447/passport_applications_17951905/) at fold3.com. Unfortunately they are not free and do require a subscription.

  Here is an example of an application from 1921 for one of my ancestors:



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The original and each copy of an application for a passport must have attached to it a copy of the applicant's photograph.
A loose signed photograph of the applicant must accompany the application.
The photographs must be on thin paper, should have a light background, and be not over three inches in size.

[FORM FOR PERSON CLAIMING CITIZENSHIP THROUGH NATURALIZATION OF HUSBAND OR PARENT.]

No. _____
Issued _____

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
MAR 3 1921
WASHINGTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

STATE OF California
City &
COUNTY OF SanFrancisco } ss:

I, Bertha Tinnemann (Widow), a NATURALIZED AND LOYAL CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES, hereby apply to the Department of State, at Washington, for a passport.

I solemnly swear that I was born at Veuhta, Oldenburg, Germany
on or about the 12th day of November, 1850;
that my [wife/husband], Ludwig Tinnemann (deceased 1901) was born in Germany (Country.)
that he emigrated to the United States, sailing on board the _____
from _____ on or about _____, 1868;
that he resided 33 years, uninterruptedly, in the United States, from 1868 to 1901
at California; that he was naturalized as a citizen
of the United States before the Circuit Court of United States
at San Francisco for the District of California on April 4th, 1876
as shown by the accompanying Certificate of Naturalization; that I am the widow of the person
described in said Certificate; that I have resided in the United States, uninterruptedly, for 53
years, from 1868 to 1921, at California; that I am domiciled in the
United States, my permanent residence being at Oakland, in the State
of California, where I follow the occupation of Housewife
My last passport was obtained from none on _____ (Date.)
and was _____ (Disposition of passport.)

I am about to go abroad temporarily; and intend to return to the United States within 6 months with the purpose of residing and performing the duties of citizenship therein; and that I desire a passport for use in visiting the countries hereinafter named for the following purpose:

Holland and Switzerland (Name of country.)	travel (Object of visit.)
_____ (Name of country.)	on Family Business (Object of visit.)
_____ (Name of country.)	_____ (Object of visit.)

I intend to leave the United States from the port of New York (Port of departure.)
sailing on board the "Manchuria" (Name of vessel.) on April 14th (Date of departure.), 1921

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

Further, I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion: So help me God.

Bertha Tinnemann (Signature of applicant.)

Sworn to before me this 24th day
of February, 1921.

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[SEAL OF COURT.]

Clerk of the _____ Court. Passport Agent.

Husband's CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION SEEN

DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT.

Age: 70 years. Mouth: normal

Stature: 5 feet, 2 inches, Eng. Chin: round

Forehead: normal Hair: grey

Eyes: blue Complexion: normal

Nose: straight Face: oval

Distinguishing marks

IDENTIFICATION.

February 24th, 1921

I, Otto Tinnemann, solemnly swear that I am a [native] citizen of the United States; that I reside at Oakland, California; that I have known the above-named Bertha Tinnemann my mother, personally for 37 years and know [her] to be widow of the person referred to in the within-described certificate of naturalization; and that the facts stated in [her] affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Otto Tinnemann

Insurance Broker.
(Occupation.)

311 California St., San Francisco, Cal
(Address of witness.)

Sworn to before me this 24th day of February, 1921.

[SEAL.]

Clerk of the Court by Passport Agent.

Applicant desires passport to be sent to the following address:

6431 Benvenue Ave.,
Oakland,
California.

A duplicate of the photograph to be attached hereto must be sent to the Department with the application, to be affixed to the passport with an impression of the Department's seal.

Documentary evidence attached:

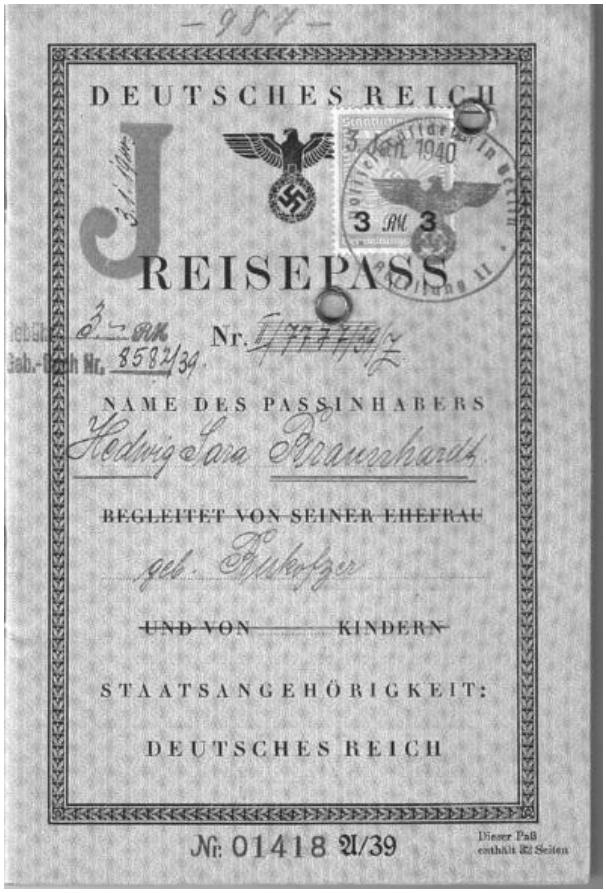
Husband's naturalization papers seen and returned to applicant.

As you can see there is a ton of information that can be exceedingly helpful to you.

Now on to Nazi Germany. I had about a half dozen ancestors who escaped, and unfortunately three who didn't. The fortunate ones went to Shanghai, America, Palestine, and England.

In this passport, the following information is presented:

- Name
- Maiden Name
- Religion - notice the red "J" which is self-explanatory
- Occupation
- Birth location
- Birth date
- Place of residence
- Body type
- Face shape
- Eye color
- Hair color
- Distinguishing marks
- Photograph



You can also access indexes for the U.K. from FindMyPast's **Register of Passport Applications 1851-1903** (http://www.findmypast.co.uk/PassportStartSearchServlet). It is a subscription site.

So research your ancestor's passports and passport applications. Lots of wonderful information awaits you.[1]

About the Author

Kenneth R. Marks resides in Peoria, Arizona. He developed and runs a website called "The Ancestor Hunter."[2] Mr. Marks created the website to share techniques he has learned in researching his family history so that "the journey for you will be less bumpy and hopefully just as rewarding as it has been for me."[3]

[1] "13 Reasons to Research Passport Applications for Genealogy," *The Ancestor Hunt* (http://www.theancestorhunt.com/1/post/2014/01/13-reasons-to-research-passport-applications-for-genealogy.html.)
[2] *The Ancestor Hunt*, (http://www.theancestorhunt.com/about.html.)
[3] Ibid.

The Importance of Cluster Genealogy and How to Use It in Your Research

Melodey Mozeley Hauch

Presented at the BAGS General Meeting on May 25, 2012

Cluster Genealogy is also known as the "whole family" or the "extended family" approach to family research. Our ancestors lived in a cluster of direct relatives, extended family, neighbors, friends and associates. This group of people witnessed each other's documents, moved together from state to state, became in-laws and business partners. They went to church together, they went to war together, they bought land from each other, and they were buried in the same cemeteries.

When beginners start their family history research, they usually follow their direct ancestor's line back as far as they can go and ignore the extended family. Very often they hit a brick wall in that particular family line. Cluster genealogy is the indirect approach to research that is very often the way not to break through that wall in ancestor's line but to go around it. This technique involves expanding your research beyond your direct line ancestors to include their brothers, sisters, aunts and uncles, for starters. Then you move on to their neighbors and friends and finally to people with the same surname. By increasing the pool of people you are researching, cluster genealogy greatly improves your chances of locating the information you need. Some of our ancestors left very few records, but they may be named in someone else's records, very often that of a close relative. In the process, you'll also learn more about your ancestor's community during his or her lifetime.

The Internet has a number of good articles on the cluster genealogy. Emily Croom wrote an entire chapter about cluster genealogy in her book, *The Sleuth Book for Genealogists*. She suggests that as you start researching an ancestor, we'll refer to him or her as the focus ancestor, the first thing you should do is to fill out two family group sheets: one with the focus ancestor as the parent and the second with that person as a child. By doing this, you will automatically be researching his or her next of kin. This is the beginning of your ancestor's cluster. Filling out these charts may be all you need to start moving back in time several generations.

Collect information for all of the family members on your two group sheets just as you would for your direct ancestor. There are nine types of records to search:

1. Vital records of birth, marriage and death
2. Obituaries
3. County probate records
4. Census records
5. County land records
6. Cemetery transcriptions
7. Church and society records
8. Military records
9. Published family histories

Emily Croom breaks the cluster down into four layers you should investigate in the following order:

1. Next of kin: a parent, a spouse, a sibling or a child
2. Extended family
3. Neighbors, friends and associates and
4. People with the same surname.

Starting with Number 1 on both the records and layers lists, search for vital records on *familysearch.org* for the next of kin of your focus ancestor. That old LDS website has been updated over the past few years and now has some birth, marriage, and death records for nearly all fifty states, some much more than others. For example,

Familysearch now has the Texas Birth Index from 1903 to 1997, Texas birth certificate images from 1903-1935, Texas marriages from 1837 to 1973, Texas divorce records from 1968 to 2010, and Texas death certificate images from 1890 to 1976 and a partial collection from 1977 to 1986. The website is free, you only need to sign up with a username and password. If your state is not represented very well now, keep checking. They are adding new databases weekly as volunteers finishing their indexing.

The state birth records available on *Familysearch.com* vary greatly as to the dates they cover and the information they provide. The abstracts usually include the name and gender, date and place of birth, and the names of the parents. You can search by the parents' names and see all of their children on the database. Marriage records also vary greatly by state; some of the abstracts include the names, birth dates, ages and parents of both parties. Some show the actual image from the county's marriage book.

If you can't find old marriage records on *Familysearch*, you have several alternatives. Many county marriage books have been transcribed and are online; many have been published and are available at Clayton Library. Always go to a county website to see how to order an old marriage record. They usually name the parents and give their place of residence.

State death records on *Familysearch* also vary greatly by the date range they cover. They may be exactly what you need to fill in a number of blanks. If the parents of your ancestor are unknown but you know the names of several children, start by collecting their death records, whenever possible. I needed Georgia and North Carolina death certificates which are on *Familysearch* as abstracts only, but *Ancestry.com* has the actual certificate images for both states. If you do not subscribe to *Ancestry.com*, many libraries provide it in-house.

The following is a personal example from my Campbell family research. My great-grandfather was Henry Marion Campbell, an ice and coal salesman in the bustling little town of Gastonia, North Carolina. He died in 1907 and was buried in a small church cemetery in Gastonia. None of my family members knew the names of his parents or his siblings, but I ordered his 1884 Catawba County, NC marriage license which stated that Henry M. Campbell was the son of G. P. Campbell and Elizabeth Campbell, both parents still living and residents of Iredell County, North Carolina. So, I started looking for Henry as a child on census records and found him in Iredell County in 1860 and 1870. By combining the names I found for his father on the censuses from 1850 to 1900, I concluded that Henry's father's name was George Plott Campbell. I suspected that Plott was the maiden name of someone in family, and a large Plott family lived a few households away.

Starting with census records and then collaborating with a cousin found online, I was able to fill out a family group sheet with Henry's siblings, just as Emily advised. My cousin had come to the same conclusion − that George Plott Campbell was the father of the family. Plott Campbell's 1851 marriage license information was found at Clayton Library in a published transcription of the county marriage books. His wife's name was entered as Elizabeth Cluver. According to my cousin, older family members remembered it as Cleaver, and there was a Cleaver family living nearby in 1850 with a daughter named Elizabeth who was the right age. So how do we verify these names since the people who knew them are now deceased? My answer was death certificates.

Unfortunately, when Henry Campbell died in 1907, North Carolina did not require death certificates. His short obituary only stated that he died at his home after a lengthy illness and gave the time and place for funeral services. This was a potential brick wall. Looking at the family group sheet, I saw three death certificates to check, and I found them on *Ancestry.com* and *Familysearch*. Henry's sister Minerva Josey's 1918 death certificate gave her father's name as Plott Campbell with no mother's name; his brother James Campbell's 1921 death certificate listed his father as Plott Campbell and his mother's maiden name as Clever with no first name; and finally, the baby of the family, sister Alice Campbell Lytton's 1954 death certificate listed her parents as George Plott Campbell and Betty Cleaver Campbell. I was very confident then that I had the correct parents since all available evidence matched these names. Collecting the death certificates of siblings can fill in more blanks, for example, which children belonged with a man's first or his second wife. One certificate may have the birthplaces listed for both parents while others leave that blank.

Remember that the information on death certificates is only as good as the informant. While researching a lady named Kate Grassman, I had a death date from her tombstone. Hoping to find her maiden name, I looked at her 1918 Texas death certificate. The informant was her son, John Grassman, and he provided absolutely no information about her parents. I knew that Kate's daughter-in-law, John's wife Bessie, was a terrific family historian. So I looked at John Grassman's 1935 death certificate, hoping that Bessie was the informant. She was, and there was the information I was looking for: Kate Grassman's maiden name was Deininger and she was born in Hanover, Pennsylvania. Kate's husband Jacob's information was also on this certificate; his birthplace was also Hanover, PA and their son John's birthplace was Cottage Hill, Illinois. This information helped me follow the family on census records through those earlier years.

To summarize, this cluster technique works well for persons who died too early for a death certificate but whose next of kin died when certificates are available online, basically the early 1900s through the 1970s. It combines census with vital records. First find the names of their siblings, spouse and children from the census, filling in those two family group sheets. Then follow all of them on the census and discover the married names of the women, checking published state marriage records and transcribed records online. Very often a widow will be living with her daughter's family so the census may give you their married names. Try to find their death dates through online death indexes and search for their death certificates on *Familysearch.org.* By researching several of the next of kin, you should find parents' names, as well as birth and death dates and places. I think of this type of cluster genealogy as sneaking up on the hidden information I need.

Number 2 on the record list is obituaries. Your direct ancestor's obituary, like Henry Campbell's, may be a short one with little or no information. His younger brother's obit may have been full of information.

Finding old obituaries may be much easier than you think. First, verify the death date through their tombstone, the Social Security Death Index online, a state death index online or a death certificate. We all know that tombstone death dates may be incorrect but are usually close unless the stone was added to the grave years later. Often the death date is actually the burial date. In my research many tombstone death dates turn out to be exactly one year after the death. Next, search the Internet or published newspaper indexes at Clayton Library for newspapers published near their home. When you find a likely candidate, look at an existing newspaper's website to see how far back their archives link will go. Usually, a few years will be available for free. If their older obits are not available through the paper, you will need to consult the nearest public library to the town for microfilm copies. Hopefully a friendly librarian will search for you if you cannot visit yourself. Do not expect them to search more than a few days past the death date you provide.

Several years ago, I assigned myself a project with this same Campbell family. I wanted to find as many obituaries as I could on the brothers and sisters of my grandfather, Charles Davis Campbell. Eight of the ten Campbell children lived to adulthood, and I had most of the death dates from tombstones. Most of the family had remained in Charlotte, and I remember some of them. For the more recent Charlotte obituaries, I subscribed to the *Charlotte Observer* newspaper archives online. You pay on a sliding scale − $2.95 for one obituary, $21.95 for 10; up to 1000 obituaries for a mere $1995.00. I purchased ten dated from 1989 to 2003.

Older obituaries had to be copied from microfilm, so I wrote the Charlotte Public Library with a list of the names and death dates and purchased nine obituary copies for $15.00. The oldest brother, Thomas Wesley Campbell, stayed in Gastonia after their father's death in 1907 while my great-grandmother and the rest of the family moved to Charlotte to work in the booming textile mill industry there. I had a photo of Thomas's 1924 tombstone and his wife's but knew nothing more about them. I emailed the *Gastonia Gazette* with the dates, and they sent me copies of both obituaries for free. They were terrific with a great deal of detail. Thomas had been a business partner in the Gastonia Ice and Coal Company. Since his father, my great-grandfather, sold ice and coal, Thomas was probably the connection to that business. Obituaries may give you a good idea of when a particular move took place, a detail you may not find elsewhere. Great-uncle Thomas's obituary stated that he was born in 1886 in Catawba County and had been a resident of Gaston County for the past 27 years in 1924; therefore, the family's move to Gastonia took place around 1897.

One of the younger brothers in the family, John Franklin Campbell, had moved to Tennessee, and the family lost track of him. I found his 1974 death date on the Social Security Death Index. He and his wife lived in Livingston, Overton County, Tennessee. Next I found the website for the *Overton County News*, based in Livingston. John's wife Agnes Campbell's obituary was just a few years old and was still online so I copied and pasted it. I then emailed the paper's office and found out that they had all of their old newspapers bound and would make a Xerox copy if the obituary was not next to the binding. John's obit was, of course, next to the binding, so I had to pay $8.50 for someone to transcribe it for me. It was excellent and full of detail about his life and career. John was a World War I veteran who played semi-professional baseball before he started a long career in engineering. My grandfather and another of the Campbell brothers also were semi-pros, and my Uncle Paul was their mascot as a little boy and became a successful professional baseball player and scout.

My project was a success. I had seven obituaries to start with and was able to collect twenty-four more in less than a month, dated from 1907 to 2004. I entered the information into my Campbell Family Tree Maker file with the names of the papers and dates of the obituaries. I later emailed or snail-mailed the genealogy report to a number of my cousins. It covered four generations and 146 descendants.

I found an index of old newspaper obituaries online for the Hickory, North Carolina *Daily Record*, another small town newspaper. The index gave me the dates of obituaries for a branch of the family I needed to research. I emailed my requests to the Hickory Public Library's genealogy librarian, and she quickly emailed copies of nine obituaries, for free, ranging from 1932 to 1997. She even sent some Xerox copies by snail mail for free because they were too light or too dark to scan. You will not get service like that from all libraries, but you won't know until you try.

There are online alternatives for newspaper searches – *NewspaperArchive.com* is advertised as the largest online newspaper database. Using a Rosenberg Library card, you can access it from home. Locally, the University of Houston Clear Lake has many years of the *Houston Chronicle* and *Houston Post* on microfilm in their Neumann Library. They also have a number of other newspapers on microfilm including the *LA Times* and the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*. Check the library's website to see what else is available.

Number 3 on the record list is county probate records. These ledger books will include wills and their codicils, inventories of estates with and without wills, guardianship orders, executor's reports and the final division of estates with the names of the heirs. You usually find great detail in the probate proceedings, a solid death date, which children died after the will was written, any change in the heirs, etc. If you cannot go to the courthouse, check at Clayton or other libraries to see if someone has abstracted the county probate records for you. This will make it easier to find the complete record. If you need to order probate records on microfilm through the LDS, click on the Catalog link to see what is available for rental.

Here are examples from my own research when death certificates and obituaries were not available but probate records were. In the first example, Columbia County, Georgia Ordinary Court papers dated 1861 and 1862 provided the names of the seven surviving children of my 3rd great-grandmother, Margaret Tankersley. This is a good cluster example – Margaret's sister-in-law Susan Tankersley Pace had died leaving no children to inherit her large estate. According to Susan's will, Margaret and her children were to receive a 1/3 share as the heirs of Susan's deceased brother, William Brooks Tankersley. The other two shares went to Susan's two living siblings who were also named. So everybody had to be identified to the court; Margaret Tankersley's three sons, four married daughters and sons-in-law were all listed with their places of residence in 1862.

In Brazoria County, I was researching the son of one of the "Old 300" Texas settlers. He left very few records, never married and died in 1858 without a will but owning a small piece of Texas land. At the Brazoria County Clerk's office, I found his very long probate proceedings which named thirty people as his heirs. They were all of the spouses and children of his four sisters who died before he did, and the list stated where they all lived around 1860. This probate record is a treasure trove of information for someone researching that family. So the moral of this story is to check the probate records for all of the siblings of your ancestor, especially the unmarried ones. Everybody in the family will want to collect their inheritance.

Census records are number 4 on the record list. Here is Emily Croom's advice: find your focus ancestor on every possible census, starting with the most recent and working your way backwards. While looking at the family on the census, Emily advises us to record ten to twenty households before and after theirs for each census because cluster patterns will emerge. Besides unrelated neighbors, you are very likely to find a widowed mother or sister or a married sister with her family.

In 1860, my target Campbell families were lined up on the census. Plott Campbell's married sister lived in household 305, Plott in 306, his brother in 307 and his widowed mother in 308 with a widowed daughter and several of her children – five family members and a large number of grandchildren at that moment in time. By 1870, the mother had died, another brother had shown up while a married daughter and her family had moved to a different part of the county.

Thankfully, someone came up with the idea of including the relationship of each individual to the head of household, starting with the 1880 census. In 1880, Henry Campbell was 23 and was living with and working for his brother-in-law, Edwin Josey, relationship stated right there, husband of Henry's sister Minerva. Another of my great-grandfathers was in a similar situation in 1870, five years before he married. He was also in the family cluster, working on the farm of a blind aunt in a neighboring county. His future wife lived nearby, so copying the names of the nearest ten to twenty households would have worked in that case.

You can find some important maiden name clues when a potential mother-in-law or brother-in-law shows up in the census household. Very often a widow will be living with one of her daughter's families, so by finding her in that son-in-law's household, the census has quickly given you a daughter's married name. After finding these cluster clues on the census, you can go back to vital records and look for marriage and death certificates.

Number 5 on the record list is county land records. The early census records tell you the value of real estate owned and later ones tell you whether the homestead was owned or rented. Land descriptions tell you the names of adjoining landowners, possible heirs or in-laws. The deeds may mention that the land was inherited or was a gift from the father of a husband or wife. Check with Clayton or other libraries to see if someone has already abstracted the deed records for your county. I found some at Clayton Library and bought others. If that does not work, order the deed books and indexes on microfilm from the LDS. Read all the deed records in the surname indexes, both for the land grantors and grantees. If the actual deeds are too long to abstract at the time, I get a copy made so I can study the details at home.

Important information about my Campbell family was found in an Iredell County, North Carolina deed book. From census records, we believed that the parents of George Plott Campbell were another George and Elizabeth Campbell. In 1850, George and Elizabeth Campbell appeared by name on the census with two single adult children, Nancy and Samuel in their household, thought to be Plott's siblings. George Campbell apparently died after this census because his wife Elizabeth was the head of household in 1860. She was 72, and two young girls, Melissa and Minerva Campbell were living with her. These were Plott Campbell's children, providing more evidence that she was Plott's mother. Also living in the household were a widowed daughter and her five children. Elizabeth Campbell lived next to Plott and Samuel Campbell. This was the census I described earlier.

Iredell County Deed Book 3 had two important deeds associated with this family, and one actually provided the names of all of George and Elizabeth Campbell's surviving children. In the first deed, widow Elizabeth Campbell bought 62 acres for $500 in 1862, and the five owners of the adjoining land were listed. Elizabeth died in 1863 and that same described property was sold by her seven heirs the same year. This deed listed all of their names: sons William, John, Samuel and Plott Campbell and the daughters married names were Mary Honeycutt, Jane Cashion and Nancy Stamper. So instead of boring land records in a deed book, I found the names of Plott Campbell's siblings and had new information to add to my family group sheets.

Number 6 on the record list is cemetery transcriptions. I start with *Findagrave.com*, one of my favorite websites. This free website features information on over 100 million graves submitted by over 400,000 volunteers, often with information on the deceased as well as photos of tombstones. In many cases the

Findagrave contributor will add links to the graves of a spouse and the children of the person you found. When you find someone, click on the cemetery link and conduct a cluster search in the cemetery entries. Search for other people with the same surname in the cemetery. You can also scan the entire cemetery survey for names that sound familiar, like the married names of the women.

One *Findagrave* contributor went through my Tankersley family graves in several adjoining Georgia counties and added links to their family members' graves. Most have tombstone photos and some have photos of the individuals. Two other free websites are *Billiongraves.com* and *Interment.net.* The problem with all of these websites is that the names are in alphabetical order and do not show you who is buried in the same plot. Even if you found your ancestor's grave on *Findagrave*, check the state and county genealogical websites for a survey of the same cemetery. The *USGenWeb* state site may have the cemetery survey listed in grave order, not in alphabetical order. This is the case in many of the smaller cemeteries.

Published cemetery books have been very helpful in my research. I bought three very good ones for counties in North Carolina and Georgia. One included tombstone transcriptions of all of the cemeteries in Lincoln County, Georgia. The authors included any obituary information they could find in the local small town newspaper. These gave me long lists of survivors, and I looked for their names in the book. This Lincoln County cemetery book was over 600 pages long and fully indexed. I found dozens of tombstone transcriptions and obituaries on my direct family members as well as many for the extended family. Most were small church cemeteries, and when we visited the county years later, I took Xerox copies from the book to help me find all of the graves I wanted to visit.

Number 7 on the record list includes church and society records. Many churches kept detailed records of their activities including marriages and christenings. My husband Robert's family is able to document several family marriages and christenings in the beautiful and famous St. Louis Cathedral in Jackson Square in New Orleans. On the other hand, your ancestor, like mine, may have attended services in a small country church for many years, had his funeral service there and been buried in their small church cemetery. Henry Campbell was a member of Main Street Methodist Church and was buried in the old Shiloh Methodist Cemetery, now a fenced section of a Baptist church cemetery in Gastonia. Write or call the church to see if old records have survived.

It is estimated that one in four adults living in the United States was a member of a fraternal organization at the turn of the twentieth century. Therefore, it is highly likely that some of your ancestors were members of a local organization. These groups provided camaraderie, a support network, religious support, or even ties to the old country. Some of these societies could be the Masons, the Oddfellows, the Elks, the Knights of Columbus, Woodmen of the World, the Knights of Pythias and the Order of the Eastern Star. You will see their emblems on many tombstones, and that may be your first clue that an ancestor was a member. If you find a symbol with initials you cannot identify, *Cyndi's List* has a link to fraternal organizations.

The Masonic emblem with the overlapping compass and square and the five-pointed Eastern Star are found on many Texas tombstones. You will also see the tree trunk shaped monuments on the graves of Woodmen of the World. Almost all of the fraternal groups were secret societies, but members were allowed to let others know about their membership but not their rituals. They wore society jewelry and gave out society calling cards.

My great-grandfather Henry Marion Campbell's death was noted in a 1907 newspaper, stating that he was a worthy member of Gaston Council No. 68, Junior Order of the United American Mechanics. The article's three paragraphs were basically resolutions mourning his death and offering sympathy to his family. This was a fraternal and political secret society that reached its peak in membership at 200,000 members around 1900. Their symbol and rituals were very similar to the Masons. I found this information online, they do still exist in certain areas of the country.

A friend's grandfather was a 32nd degree Freemason, according to a calling card the family owns. She inherited a spectacular gold pin he earned as a Mason. His name was Henry Otto Waschen, a native of Germany, a Confederate blockade runner and later, a Galveston ship's captain. Waschen was a Knight Kadosh, a very

important designation for the Masons. The day after his obituary appeared in the *Galveston Daily News* in 1903, an item appeared under the paper's Lodge and Society Notices. All members of Harmony Lodge #6 of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons were invited to attend his burial ceremony which was described the next day in a long and detailed article. So the moral of this story is – when you find an obituary, see if it mentions membership in a church or fraternal organization. Keep looking for a resolution of respect from the society or an announcement to the fraternal brothers who will be participating in the funeral. Do this for your focus ancestor and also for his family members. Then, see if the church or a local fraternal lodge is still in existence and ask if they can send you his records. These records may include date and place of birth, or they may help you pin down the dates the family lived in a certain area. They may also give you a list of offices held or honors received.

Number 8 on our record list is military records. Friends and neighbors were often members of the same military units, especially during the War Between the States. In three of my families, four brothers entered a Confederate military unit together. The Civil War records on *Fold3* (formerly *Footnote*) contain muster roll cards for the men so you can actually see where they fought, if they were wounded, the hospitals where they recovered, if they were captured and where they were imprisoned, when and where they died in battles or in a hospital, and when and where they were released from their units if they were lucky enough to survive.

Besides the Civil War Collection, *Fold3*'s military records include the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, both World Wars, and Vietnam. *Heritage Quest*, available through many public libraries for free, has a database with Revolutionary War pensions and bounty land warrants granted for military service. *Ancestry.com* also has some excellent military databases.

Confederate records often provide a physical description of the soldier. Once again we return to dear George Plott Campbell who served in the 49th North Carolina Infantry. Plott was taken prisoner and when he was released, a short description was written on his muster roll card: He was 5 feet 4 ½ inches tall with light complexion, brown hair and gray eyes. The family has no photographs of him so that was valuable information.

Military pension records can be a wealth of information. My research into a great-great-uncle William Henry Albea led me to his Georgia Confederate pension applications and his widow's pension application. The Georgia pension images are available on *Ancestry.com.* Every year Albea had to fill out the standard application form, and these gave a view of his life during 1904 and later. Albea stated the date and place of his birth, his enlistment information and that he was discharged at the 1865 surrender at Appomattox, Virginia. In 1904, he was 63 and was applying for a pension due to infirmity and poverty. He was a farmer owning 125 acres in Lincoln County, GA, valued at $300. He was unable to work his farm due to chronic rheumatism, kidney trouble and poor eyesight. Albea's household included his 62-year-old wife and 35-year-old invalid daughter.

Albea's widow Mahaley's 1912 Confederate widow's pension application included her birth information as well as the date of their 1862 marriage in South Carolina, across the border from their Lincoln County, Georgia farm. Researchers had not been able to locate their marriage record, and there it was. I have seen some Confederate widow's pension files on *Ancestry* with images of their actual marriage license. The ladies brought that document in to prove the relationship to the board overseeing the pensions. Often the name of a soldier's father or widow is given on a *Fold3* document when he or she was designated as the next of kin to pick up the effects of a deceased soldier. That verified the father-son relationship of one of my relatives.

Number 9 and last on the record list is published family histories. Be sure to use the cluster here too. After searching for books under the surname of your focus ancestors, search for books about the families of their spouses − you may find a detailed chapter about your family. I found a great deal of information about my great-aunt Belle Tankersley's family in a book about her husband's family. The author lived in the same area of Georgia and provided a detailed description of her nine children and their families. She had requested information from her cousins and had included several photos including a full page enlargement of my great-aunt and uncle surrounded by all of their children. Of course, Clayton Library has an extensive collection of donated family history books. Also check the card catalogs of small local libraries where your ancestor lived.

Someone may have self-published a book on your family and placed it there instead of a larger library. Look on *Familysearch* for books on their Catalog link. I was able to borrow a very old family history book about my Isenhour family. The book was on microfilm, and I was able to copy the pages I needed onto a zip drive. *Google Books.com* is another good search possibility.

Summary − Those are the nine record types for your cluster research. We discussed the first layer of the cluster, the next of kin. Frankly, this layer is your best bet and may be as far as you need to go to find many of the details you need. The second layer is the extended family. Your ancestor was very likely to move to a new state because a brother or an uncle was already living there. Very often several brothers moved together to a new area, and years later the cousins will appear in neighboring households. During the beginning stages of my research on my Tankersley family, my aunt provided me with the names of the people she remembered as the first cousins of my grandmother. She also provided the names of their spouses and their children. When these family groups started showing up on census after census, I knew I was in the right area and started collecting their obituaries with an online newspaper subscription. The adults she named were all the children of a man who turned out to be my great-grandfather's brother, a man who died years before my aunt was born. She was a schoolmate and playmate of the man's grandchildren during the 1920s and knew their parents well.

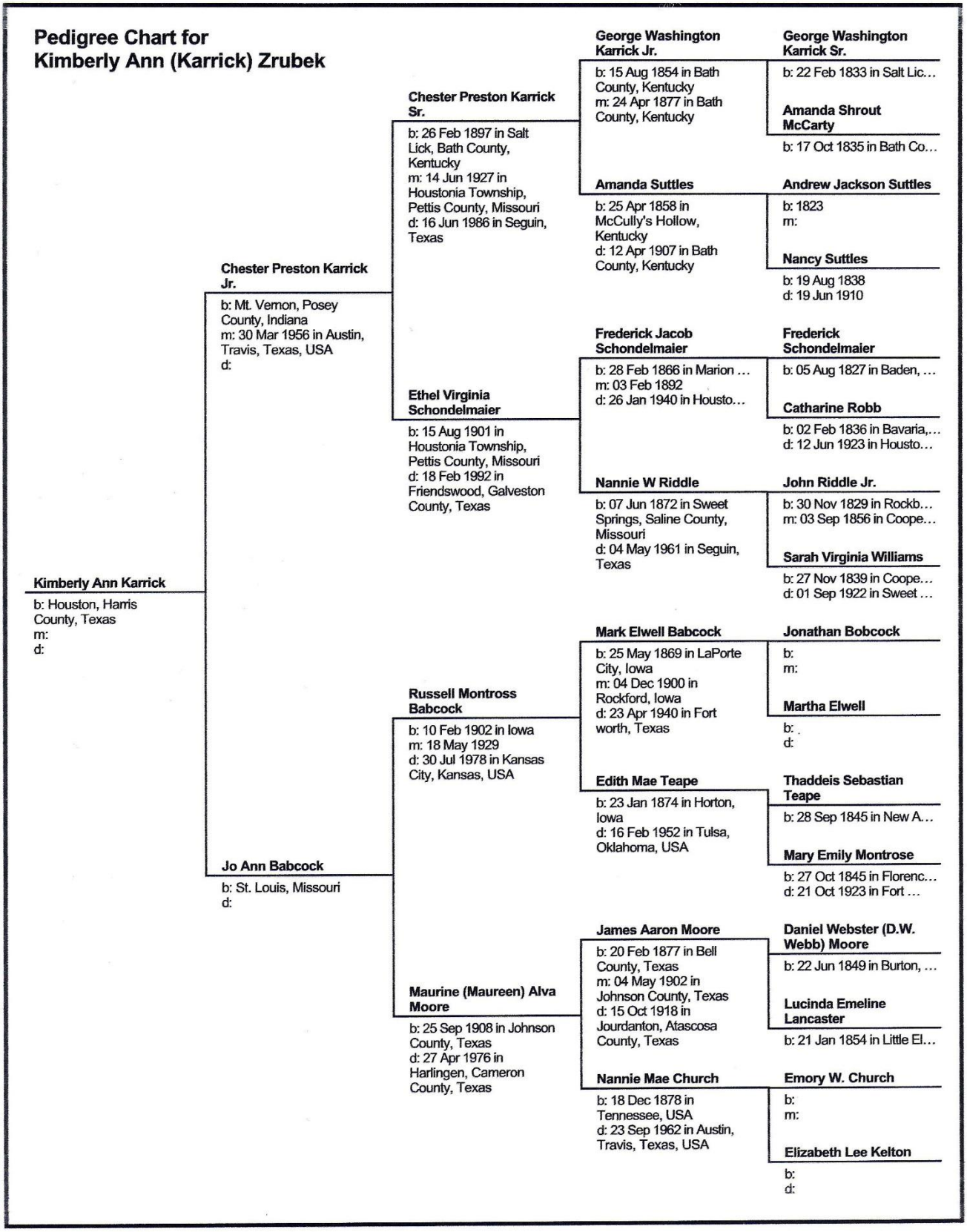
The third layer of the cluster includes neighbors, friends and associates. You may need the unrelated members of the cluster because you cannot find enough relatives. If you are lucky and some of the friends and neighbors are still alive, they may identify old houses, the names of other family members you do not know, as well as stories you have never heard. As to the neighbors, friends and associates from the distant past, your ancestor may be mentioned in their deeds, diaries or court cases. See who witnessed your ancestor's deeds, his will or his marriage license. Whose did he witness? Who were the other witnesses? Finding your ancestor as a witness on a deed transaction and not the land owner may seem minor, but it places him alive at that place on that date. He may have been a close relative to the landowner or an in-law. If you are having trouble finding an ancestor on a census, try locating the neighbors they had on a previous census, the cluster in action. The spelling for your ancestor may be so badly mangled that you cannot outguess the census taker. You may have better luck with a neighbor whose name was not misspelled.

The fourth layer of the cluster includes people with the same surname. Census and other indexes give a broad view of the surnames within a general location, including how widespread they were, where in the state they were, and different spellings of the name. Photocopy the index pages containing your focus surnames for future reference. They may mean more to you as you make progress in your research.

When looking at your surname on a census, pay close attention to the birthplaces. You may see a pattern of people with the same surname who moved to Texas from Alabama, for example. These may be close relatives and you now have a new state to search.

So that is the cluster: the next of kin, the extended family, the neighbors, friends and associates, and finally, people with the same surname. Start with those two family group sheets. Find everything you can on each person on those two sheets. Then look at their extended family and start more group sheets. Check for records on their neighbors, friends and associates and of local people with the same surname, using the basic nine record groups. Before you know it, you will be an expert on that family.

Five Generation Chart of Kimberly Ann Karrick



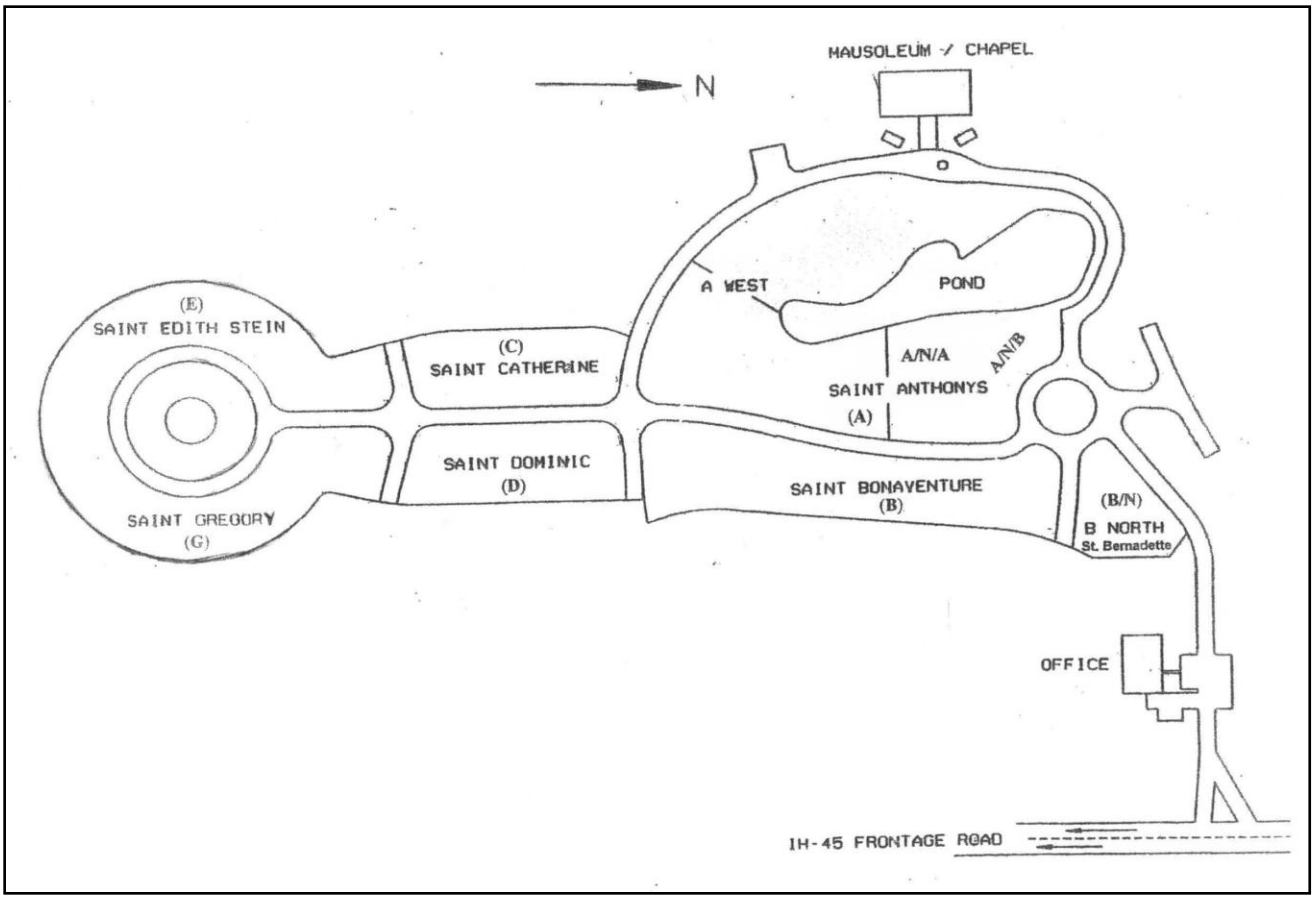
Mount Olivet Cemetery Transcription Project
Section 6. Saint Edith Stein, Part 3

The BAGS transcription of Mount Olivet Cemetery concludes in the Saint Edith Stein Section. This section is situated on the southern end of the cemetery where the road curves to head back toward the entrance as shown on the map below. Part 1 was published in the June 2013 issue of the *BAGS Quarterly* and covered Row 1 through Row 5. Part 2 was included in the September 2013 issue of the *BAGS Quarterly* and covered Row 6 through Row 9. Part 3 covers Row 10 through Row 17.

The survey was conducted moving from left to right and continuing in order as the rows move away from the road. Many tombstones mark two or more graves so that the numbering system begins with the row number, followed by a second column with the stone number in the row. A third column numbers the graves associated with each stone. Many headstones list four or more burials placed on both sides of the stone.

Many graves include an additional flat marker used as a footstone, often associated with military service. The remarks section is used to detail the military inscription including rank, unit and war when provided. Marriage dates inscribed on the tombstones are also included in the remarks column as well as other family members mentioned. Numerous graves include a headstone with graves on both sides and footstones that are in the adjacent rows. The remarks column directs the reader to the adjacent row when necessary.

Many tombstones include the birth date for living spouses, and these are marked with the word “Private” due to privacy concerns. In some cases, a death date was never added to a marker, and attempts were made to find death dates on the Social Security Death Index, the Texas Death Index or through the cemetery office. If found, the dates were added with a notation in the remarks column.



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10	1	1	Flores, Raul "Roy"	November 29, 1967	May 25, 2007	Beloved Husband & Father; Photo on Stone
10	2	1	DeKohary, Evelyn R.	September 1, 1928	June 8, 2003	
10	3	1	Bush, George Bryan	October 30, 1946	September 25, 1999	www.BushsBestCompost.com
10	4	1	Arredondo, Dalila Ruth	August 22, 1953	December 18, 1999	Shared with Henry Sanford
10	5	1	White, Frank G., Jr.	May 6, 1950	February 26, 1993	Shared with Decara White
10	5	2	White, Decara A. "Debbie"	Private		
10	6	1	Priscok, Michael W.	December 23, 1975	July 12, 1996	Shared with Walter Lacy
10	7	1	Behler, Pete	August 21, 1954	May 31, 1998	
10	8	1	Hernandez, Frank R.	August 17, 1932	January 5, 2001	Shared with Carolina Hernandez
10	8	2	Hernandez, Carolina F.	Private		Married December 20, 1975
10	9	1	Sasser, Gary N.	July 22, 1948	August 26, 1994	Shared with Carol Sasser
10	9	2	Sasser, Carol A.	Private		Married June 14, 1969
10	10	1	Robbins, Eric	November 26, 1982	February 14, 2009	Photo on stone
10	11	1	Choate, Charley Ryan	September 28, 1999	September 28, 1999	
10	12	1	Waters, Francis L.	Private		Shared with Kathleen Waters
10	12	2	Waters, Kathleen M.	July 23, 1947	January 7, 1997	
10	12	3	Waters, Gina Marie Sommers	January 23, 1966	September 27, 2008	
10	13	1	Montemayor, Maria Theresa	Private		Shared with Amadeo, Matilde & Gerardo Montemayor
10	13	2	Montemayor, Amadeo	October 3, 1922	November 15, 1999	Shared with Maria Theresa, Matilde & Gerardo Montemayor
10	13	3	Montemayor, Matilde	Private		Shared with Maria Teresa, Amadeo & Gerardo Montemayor
10	13	4	Montemayor, Gerardo "Yayo"	September 19, 1963	June 9, 1997	Shared with Maria Teresa, Amadeo & Matilde Montemayor
10	14	1	Montemayor, Omar	September 18, 1971	January 10, 2000	
10	15	1	DeLaney, Alan Kent	Private		

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10	15	2	DeLaney, Deborah Ann	May 22, 1954	November 30, 2010	Shared with Alan DeLaney
10	16	1	Naumann, Albert, Jr.	December 14, 1925	November 20, 2008	
10	16	2	Naumann, Annabelle	November 29, 1933	May 24, 2005	Shared with Albert Naumann
10	16	3	Naumann, Deborah L.	Private		Shared with Albert Naumann
10	17	1	Otto, Lawrence Anthony, Jr.	September 18, 1929	July 24, 2003	Footstone: U.S. Army Korea
10	17	2	Otto, Donna M.	Private		Shared with Lawrence Otto; Married July 25, 1987
10	18	1	Lamour, Robert Francis	July 9, 1918	January 7, 1999	Photo on stone
10	18	2	Lamour, Anne Joan	January 27, 1920	October 7, 1998	Shared with Robert Lamour; Photo on stone
10	19	1	Marquise, Anthony, Sr. "Tony"	January 29, 1902	January 15, 1997	
10	19	2	Marquise, Janie L.	Private		Shared with Anthony Marquise
10	20	1	Marion, Ray Edward	1949	1991	
10	21	1	Cox, Raymond R.	1933	2005	
10	21	2	Cox, Maureen F.	1935	1998	Shared with Raymond Cox
10	22	1	Hsu, Yen-His	October 21, 1936	August 31, 2004	
10	23	1	Morales, Roy J., Sr.	April 24, 1928	April 20, 1993	
10	23	2	Morales, Pat Beem	Private		Shared with Roy Morales
10	24	1	Tschappatt, Jeffrey Eric	Private		
10	24	2	Tschappatt, Logan Jeffrey	September, 19, 1987	December 4, 1989	Shared with Jeffrey Tschappatt
10	24	3	Tschappatt, Melynda Ann	May 8, 1965	December 4, 1989	Shared with Jeffrey Tschappatt
10	24	4	Tschappatt, Bailey Colleen	May 8, 1986	December 4, 1989	Shared with Jeffrey Tschappatt
10	25	1	Mastrangelo, William	Private		Married October 9, 1965
10	25	2	Mastrangelo, Marie Ora	October 11, 1914	September 1, 1993	Shared with William Mastrangelo
10	26	1	Honings, Celesta A. Bruton	March 13, 1962	January 23, 1993	
10	26	2	Honings, Vincent J.	February 20, 1931	August 2, 1990	Shared with Celesta Honings
10	26	3	Honings, Sarah E.	December 14, 1933	May 6, 1994	Shared with Celesta Honings

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10	27	1	Bailey, Pamela H.	January 8, 1945	May 30, 2001	
10	28	1	Bailey, Jerrell W.	April 19, 1944	February 24, 1992	
10	29	1	Toups, Herman Thomas	December 18, 1921	July 27, 1994	
10	29	2	Toups, Florence Ryan	April 17, 1924	February 18, 1997	Shared with Herman Toups
10	30	1	Byers, Leroy Franklin	Private		Married November 2, 1969
10	30	2	Byers, Elaine L. Monych	August 27, 1945	November 20, 2004	Shared with Leroy Byers
10	31	1	Fischer, Mary Jane	November 18, 1922	January 4, 2004	
10	32	1	Ingram, Caleb Joshua	December 6, 2002	August 3, 2007	Photo on stone
10	33	1	Curry, W. A. “Captain Bill”	May 9, 1917	August 28, 1986	Photo on stone
10	33	2	Curry, June Russell	Private		Shared with W. A. Curry; Photo on stone
10	34	1	McAllister, Harold D.	Private		
10	34	2	McAllister, Margaret Mary	April 10, 1938	April 3, 2008	Shared with Harold McAllister
10	35	1	Daly, Francis	Private		
10	35	2	Daly, Arlyne	May 9, 1924	December 28, 1998	Shared with Francis Daly
10	36	1	Gleasman, Chris John	Private		
10	36	2	Gleasman, Jonathan Karl	1982	2001	Shared with Chris Gleasman
10	36	3	Gleasman, Rebecca P.	Private		Shared with Chris Gleasman
10	37	1	Patterson, James D.	August 22, 1965	April 17, 1987	
10	38	1	Patterson, Columbus D.	October 29, 1935	March 28, 1993	Military Marker: U.S. Army Korea, Vietnam
10	39	1	Byrd, Joseph Albert	September 8, 1947	March 16, 2010	Military Marker: 1LT U.S. Army Vietnam, Bronze Star Medal
10	40	1	Rehm, Anna Marie	May 5, 1935	January 24, 1995	
10	41	1	Tacquard, George Franklin	Private		Married July 4, 1953
10	41	2	Tacquard, Delores Bartos	Private		Shared with George Tacquard
10	42	1	Stillone, Laura M.	Private		

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10	42	2	Stillone, Annie F.	Private		Shared with Laura Stillone
10	43	1	Enriquez, Arturo	February 23, 1953	May 13, 1993	
10	44	1	Neuner, Erhard J.	1901	1973	
10	44	2	Neuner, Anna L.	1893	1976	Shared with Erhard Neuner
10	45	1	Neuner, Jerry A.	December 26, 1956	December 10, 1995	
10	45	2	Neuner, Estelle	October 6, 1926	September 9, 2000	Shared with Jerry Neuner
10	45	3	Blank Placeholder			Shared with Jerry Neuner
10	46	1	Hersey, William James, Sr.	May 7, 1926	July 16, 1987	Footstone: RM2 U.S. Navy World War II
10	46	2	Hersey, Betty Joyce	May 26, 1927	July 5, 2006	Shared with William Hersey
10	47	1	Harmon, Helen C.	July 1, 1947	July 4, 1993	
10	48	1	Jones, Boyd C.	February 14, 1903	October 20, 1975	
10	48	2	Jones, Opal D.	January 10, 1905	December 16, 1990	Shared with Boyd Jones
10	49	1	Fulton, Jozelle	1917	2009	
10	49	2	Fulton, Elmo J.	December 31, 1916	October 30, 1998	Footstone: PFC U.S. Army World War II; Shared with Jozelle Fulton
10	49	3	Fulton, Deanna K.	Private		Shared with Jozelle Fulton
10	50	1	Castanie, Roland Joseph	January 19, 1925	January 30, 2000	Footstone: PHM2 U.S. Navy World War II
10	50	2	Castanie, Lois Alene McCauley	Private		Shared with Roland Castanie
10	51	1	Ragone, William J.	January 19, 1903	March 5, 1982	
10	51	2	Ragone, Marie Patricia	December 15, 1906	July 24, 1984	Shared with William Ragone
10	52	1	Kremenic, Joseph G.	May 16, 1917	March 11, 1988	
10	52	2	Kremenic, Margaret B.	March 4, 1918	October 31, 1991	Shared with Joseph Kremenic
10	53	1	Castillo, Julia C.	April 4, 1912	December 26, 1989	
10	54	1	Tolbert, Jack Marion	January 26, 1916	November 26, 1987	Married June 6, 1935
10	54	2	Tolbert, Ella Mae	April 11, 1919	December 30, 2011	Shared with Jack Tolbert

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10	55	1	Mansky, Beverly Marchesi	September 27, 1938	November 5, 1990	
10	55	2	Mansky, Thomas	Private		
10	56	1	LaForge, Ed	August 28, 1928	April 13, 1989	
10	56	2	LaForge, Anne	Private		Shared with Ed LaForge
10	57	1	Saldua, Ernesto R.	January 16, 1913	July 7, 1996	
10	57	2	Saldua, Andrea S.	December 9, 1922	April 28, 1989	Shared with Ernesto Saldua
10	58	1	De Luna, Alex	July 31, 1924	February 5, 1996	
10	58	2	De Luna, Sue	September 14, 1924	October 18, 1990	Shared with Alex De Luna
10	59	1	Tacquard, Theresa Lane "Terrie"	November 22, 1960	January 4, 1994	Married June 13, 1980
10	60	1	Pitts, William L.	November 27, 1940	September 22, 1993	Married December 6, 1963
10	60	2	Pitts, Priscilla J.	Private		Shared with William Pitts
10	61	1	Mazzanti Family Headstone			
10	62	1	Mazzanti, Joe R.	March 18, 1925	December 13, 1993	PFC U.S. Army Air Corps World War II
10	63	1	Mazzanti, Fannie "Faye"	June 29, 1937	April 2, 1994	
10	64	1	Snow, Aethra "A. C."	August 15, 1920	April 7, 1988	Married March 27, 1943
10	65	1	Garcia, Leon	May 27, 1936	July 26, 2000	
10	65	2	Garcia, Lydia	Private		Shared with Leon Garcia
11	1	1	McKeen, Edward M.	November 23, 1946	November 23, 2004	U.S. Coast Guard
11	2	1	Stevens, Kevin Zachary	March 14, 1954	April 30, 2009	SSG U.S. Army
11	3	1	Hair, Mary C.	February 26, 1930	May 9, 2009	
11	4	1	Mudd, Marcus E., Jr.	June 21, 1957	March 11, 2006	"Loving Husband of Jean Elizabeth"; See Mudd Row 12
11	5	1	Denman, Steven Burk	May 19, 1952	April 19, 2009	
11	6	1	Enriquez, Jose Carlos	March 1, 1950	May 11, 2002	
11	6	2	Enriquez, Maria Soledad	Private		Shared with Jose Enriquez
11	7	1	Patton, Kenneth Lee	June 14, 1958	September 27, 1981	ECFN U.S. Navy

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11	8	1	Thomas, Wesley	July 1, 1920	August 7, 1994	
11	9	1	Wood, John R.	November 17, 1908	July 5, 1968	Sgt. U.S. Army World War II
11	10	1	Perez, Roman E.	1919	1983	PFC U.S. Army World War II
11	11	1	Perez, Maria Zachary	July 14, 1922	November 6, 1996	
11	12	1	Carreon, Alfonso S.	1907	1984	
11	12	2	Carreon, Manuela R.	1913	1983	Shared with Alfonso Carreon
11	13	1	LeCroy, Thomas Patrick	May 7, 1932	May 26, 2007	U.S. Navy
11	14	1	Carreon, Alfonso, Jr.	July 19, 1931	October 22, 2003	Footstone: Sgt. U.S. Army Korea
11	14	2	Carreon, Rosie R.	Private		Shared with Alfonso Carreon, Jr.
11	15	1	Bunn, Irma Lopez	1931	1984	
11	16	1	Reesby, James W.	December 22, 1919	May 10, 1983	Married April 19, 1948
11	17	1	Maiorka, Beatrice “Nana”	September 11, 1912	August 24, 1985	
11	18	1	Muehe Family Headstone			No others
11	19	1	Gonzales, Jose	August 10, 1878	November 7, 1950	
11	20	1	Belcher, Jacqueline	1940	1995	
11	21	1	Bergeron, Jack	1910	1976	
11	22	1	Bergeron, Azalea	October 1, 1909	November 13, 1957	
12	1	1	Tyer, Tony R.	Private		
12	1	2	Tyer, Rebecca Joyce “Becca”	August 21, 1995	August 5, 1998	Shared with Tony Tyer
12	1	3	Tyer, Kathryn M.	Private		Shared with Tony Tyer
12	2	1	McCarra, Sidney J. “Boom”	November 10, 1921	June 21, 2006	
12	2	2	McCarra, Helen C. “Gran”	Private		Shared with Sidney McCarra
12	3	1	Kelledy, Joan McDonald	January 10, 1921	September 10, 2006	Married August 20, 1950
12	3	2	Kelledy, Robert Joseph	May 25, 1922	October 28, 1992	Shared with Joan Kelledy
12	4	1	Wiggins, Peter W.	December 29, 1944	July 13, 1944	

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12	5	1	Stevens, Bobby Joe	March 1, 1973	December 7, 1987	
12	6	1	Gallagher, Kevin F.	June 25, 1952	November 8, 1993	
12	7	1	Lutz, Charles C.	August 13, 1922	August 21, 2003	Married February 16, 1943
12	7	2	Lutz, Jeanne M.	Private		Shared with Charles Lutz
12	8	1	Bohn, Harold Daniel, Jr. "Dan"	Private		Married March 3, 1962
12	8	2	Bohn, Mary Catherine	August 8, 1937	April 25, 1992	Shared with Harold Bohn
12	9	1	Bustamante, Noel	1953	1996	
12	10	1	Robinson Family Headstone			
12	11	1	Robinson Family Headstone			Bench
12	12	1	Robinson, Theodor R.	July 28, 1945	March 14, 1993	U.S. Navy Vietnam
12	13	1	Sistemi, Mario A.	March 23, 1923	November 20, 1990	
12	13	2	Sistemi, Rita M.	April 28, 1917	April 16, 2001	Shared with Mario Sistemi
12	14	1	Stasulis, Stanley J.	February 21, 1910	September 6, 1993	
12	14	2	Stasulis, Gwendolyn M.	November 10, 1921	July 15, 2004	Shared with Stanley Stasulis
12	15	1	Saiidi, Ryan J.	June 25, 1985	July 4, 1993	Photo on stone
12	16	1	Holdren, Guy	August 27, 1955	April 21, 1992	
12	17	1	Katcher, Katherine Maureen "Kate"	July 20, 1982	June 13, 1993	
12	18	1	Shine, Hugh Crawford., Jr.	May 23, 1929	August 31, 2000	Footstone: U.S. Navy Korea
12	18	2	Shine, Margie K.	Private		Shared with Hugh Shine
12	19	1	Carlson, Kenneth Harold	October 23, 1941	October 22, 1992	Married June 16, 1962
12	19	2	Carlson, Cheryl Serio	Private		Shared with Kenneth Carlson
12	20	1	Hutchison, Joan Marie	Private		Married February 23, 1974
12	20	2	Hutchison, James Stephens	August 9, 1947	December 4, 2000	Shared with Joan Hutchison
12	21	1	Grieger, Fred B., Sr.	March 3, 1924	February 2, 1998	Footstone: SSgt. U.S. Air Force World War II, Korea
12	22	1	Alva, Maria Mercedes	Private		Married December 22, 1968

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12	22	2	Alva, Miguel	May 8, 1939	December 16, 2007	Footstone: Capt. U.S. Air Force Vietnam; Shared with Maria Alva
12	23	1	Moreno, Maria Guadalupe	October 17, 1913	August 3, 2002	
12	24	1	Cooke, Jill Dera	September 15, 1985	December 16, 2009	
12	25	1	Castronovo, Joseph B.	November 6, 1917	November 22, 1008	
12	25	2	Castronovo, Frances T.	November 10, 1918	August 4, 1994	Shared with Joseph Castronovo
12	26	1	Mudd, Marcus E.	November 22, 1929	December 21, 2005	
12	26	2	Mudd, Mary L.	Private		Shared with Marcus Mudd
12	27	1	Gibson, Amy Lynn	Private		
12	28	1	Jenko, Elizabeth Kathleen	May 12, 1972	July 7, 1991	
12	29	1	Garcia, Trinidad “Trini”	February 13, 1926	October 14, 1995	Married February 16, 1952
12	29	2	Garcia, Maria D. Q. “Lucy”	August 18, 1928	October 1, 1993	Shared with Trinidad Garcia
12	30	1	Scott, Julia V.	May 1, 1974	March 24, 2003	
12	31	1	Majich, Lola L.	October 22, 1906	September 6, 1996	
12	31	2	Cranford, Wendy K.	February 10, 1970	October 24, 1991	Shared with Lola Majich
12	32	1	Steuerwald, Walter James, Jr. “Jim”	June 3, 1944	June 1, 1991	
12	33	1	Marshall, James Jay	September 21, 1957	July 30, 1996	
12	34	1	LaValle, Billie Fondren	December 24, 1932	March 30, 2000	
12	35	1	LaValle, Peter Joseph	November 24, 1927	November 26, 2005	Judge Peter Joseph LaValle
12	36	1	Dollar, Jesse Neal	September 26, 1934	December 16, 1990	
12	36	2	Dollar, Margaret Elizabeth Rowe	Private		Shared with Jesse Dollar
12	37	1	Kennedy, Clark V.	Private		
12	37	2	Kennedy, Rose Harold	January 30, 1927	November 11, 1993	Shared with Clark Kennedy
12	38	1	Liggio, Nick Patrick	April 22, 1915	January 6, 1998	Married February 4, 1946
12	38	2	Liggio, Katie M.	Private		

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12	39	1	Roeser, John, Sr.	July 16, 1923	August 30, 1998	
12	39	2	Roeser, John, Jr.	August 30, 1963	April 6, 1983	Shared with John Roeser, Sr.
12	40	1	Alexander, Stephen James	January 5, 1950	May 31, 1983	
12	40	2	Alexander, Mildred W.	September 11, 1929	December 18, 199	Shared with Stephen Alexander
12	40	3	Alexander, Lawrence W.	September 6, 1925	July 29, 2001	Shared with Stephen Alexander
12	41	1	Carpenter Family Headstone			
12	42	1	Carpenter, William R.	1956	1997	
12	43	1	Carpenter, G. Robert	1925	1981	
12	44	1	Carpenter, Marion J.	Private		
12	45	1	Rodriguez, Janie	December 7, 1942	October 5, 1984	Married May 5, 1963
12	46	1	Brzezinski, Mary Dignam	May 27, 1919	March 12, 2003	USAF
12	47	1	Lindsay, George James	May 3, 1971	August 8, 1993	Photo on stone
12	48	1	Costanza, Angelo Joseph	November 12, 1927	June 21, 1990	Married September 15, 1946
12	48	2	Costanza, Violet Marie	February 11, 1931	March 3, 1984	Shared with Angelo Costanza
12	49	1	Esposito, Carolyn M. McNab	August 22, 1956	January 21, 1987	
12	50	1	Stockman, Ken	1917	1969	
12	50	2	Stockman, Kaye	1916	2004	Shared with Ken Stockman
12	51	1	Duncan, Valia	March 12, 1934	March 6, 2007	
12	52	1	Hoffpauir, Alex Murl, Jr.	August 30, 1904	July 17, 1984	
12	52	2	Hoffpauir, Alex Murl, III	Private		Sgt. USMC; Shared with Alex Hoffpauir, Jr.
12	52	3	Hoffpauir, Sarita L.	December 15, 1908	July 13, 1990	Shared with Alex Hoffpauir, Jr.
12	52	4	Hoffpauir, Doris S.	Private		Shared with Alex Hoffpauir, Jr.
12	53	1	Lockwood, James Andre	Private		
12	53	2	Lockwood, Carol Lee	July 8, 1940	December 5, 1995	Shared with James Lockwood
12	54	1	Prestidge, Edward W.	March 25, 1927	December 7, 1977	

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12	54	2	Prestidge, Hazel T.	Private		Shared with Edward Prestidge
12	55	1	Redeaux, Arthur	November 21, 1896	January 18, 1984	
12	55	2	Redeaux, Irene	December 10, 1907	September 20, 1993	Shared with Arthur Redeaux
12	56	1	Koerschner, Carol Lewis	1938	1986	
12	57	1	Calabretta, Louis S.	February 8, 1919	April 11, 1979	
12	57	2	Calabretta, Ruth	January 17, 1918	August 30, 2005	Shared with Louis Calabretta
12	58	1	Axe, Rhonda Lynn	November 8, 1961	October 27, 1969	
12	59	1	Lopez, Henry	August 12, 1927	February 13, 1996	
12	59	2	Lopez, Juana	December 5, 1893	April 23, 1967	Footstone; Shared with Henry Lopez
12	60	1	Vicknair, Earl J., Sr.	February 12, 1925	June 30, 1979	Married April 18, 1948
12	61	1	McCormick, Gene	July 27, 1934	November 12, 2006	Cpl. U.S. Marine Corps Korea
12	62	1	Tibbals, M. E. “Sonny”	October 31, 1921	June 25, 1983	
12	62	2	Tibbals, Geraldine M.	Private		Shared with M. E. Tibbals
12	63	1	Jurca, Louis Joe., Sr.	June 15, 1926	June 7, 2010	Footstone: U.S. Army World War II; Married June 2, 1952
12	63	2	Jurca, Mary Louise	Private		Shared with Louis Jurca
12	64	1	Mansfield, Radford “Tom”	December 1, 1923	February 19, 2002	Married October 19, 1946
12	64	2	Mansfield, Irene	December 24, 1927	August 3, 1991	Shared with Radford Mansfield
12	65	1	Villarreal, Peter Morales “Pete”	September 26, 1921	May 15, 1983	Footstone: Pfc. U.S. Army World War II
12	65	2	Villarreal, Maria Elena Rodriguez	Private		Shared with Peter Villarreal; Married October 25, 1947
12	66	1	Clifford, Patrick Michael	August 18, 1903	May 11, 1979	
12	66	2	Clifford, Ellen Salmon	August 7, 1911	October 3, 1969	Shared with Patrick Clifford
12	67	1	Vasquez, Joaquin	March 1, 1903	May 24, 1985	
12	67	2	Vasquez, Herminia	April 25, 1905	April 13, 1993	Shared with Joaquin Vasquez
12	68	1	Drebo & Bergeron Family Headstone			
12	69	1	Drebo, George	1886	1971	

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12	69	2	Drebo, Anna	1894	1969	Shared with George Drebo
12	70	1	Drebo, George J.	May 24, 1922	July 27, 1999	T Sgt. U.S. Army Air Forces World War II
12	71	1	Drebo, Audrey	1932	1998	
12	72	1	Marabella, Peter J.	March 12, 1906	June 19, 1981	Obtained Birth Date from Social Security Death Index
12	72	2	Marabella, Rose D.	March 4, 1909	September 26, 2000	Obtained Birth Date from Social Security Death Index; Shared with Peter Marabella
13	1	1	Ayala, Julio Mario	November 10, 1930	July 17, 2000	Scattered graves beyond Row 12
13	2	1	Trojanowski, Leon J.	May 5, 1928	January 8, 2005	Scattered graves beyond Row 12
13	2	2	Trojanowski, Chris J.	Private		Scattered graves beyond Row 12; Shared with Leon Trojanowski
14	1	1	Unmarked Grave			
14	2	1	Man, Sheklun	Private		Married March 23, 1958
14	2	2	Man, May Ng	Private		Shared with Sheklun Man
14	3	1	Lavinier, Helena D.	August 15, 1945	March 27, 2007	
14	4	1	Garcia, Albert Medina	April 7, 1940	November 9, 2009	Footstone: MSgt. U.S. Marine Corps, USAR RET 1995
14	4	2	Garcia, Angela O.	Private		Shared with Albert Garcia; Married August 22, 1964
14	5	1	Garcia, Rosa	May 9, 1927	October 16, 2010	
14	6	1	Lee, Steve Yee	March 22, 1948	November 17, 2005	
14	6	2	Lee, Rebecca Calzada	Private		Shared with Steve Lee
14	7	1	Torian, John Gilbert	June 5, 1929	February 16, 2007	
14	7	2	Torian, Daythel Stanley	Private		Shared with John Torian
14	8	1	Pacheco, Louis	November 7, 1936	September 21, 2007	
14	8	2	Pacheco, Grace	Private		Shared with Louis Pacheco
14	9	1	Kuzhikkompil, Joseph Thomas	May 4, 1938	May 19, 2011	
14	9	2	Kuzhikkompil, Cicily Joseph	Private		Shared with Joseph Kuzhikkompil

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14	10	1	Dyer, Joshua Keith	July 29, 1977	October 7, 2007	Photo on stone
14	10	2	Dyer, Dylan Douglas	October 3, 2006	October 3, 2006	Footstone; Shared with Joshua Dyer
14	11	1	Hui, Je-Chao Joseph	November 4, 1903	January 4, 2007	
14	11	2	Hui, Shui-Yu Teresa	August 1, 1908	November 30, 2004	Shared with Je-Chao Hui
14	12	1	Holladay, Modrell Howard	October 24, 1929	January 13, 2005	
14	12	2	Holladay, Barbara Tighe	Private		Shared with Modrell Holladay
14	13	1	Steambarge, Richard C., Sr.	September 10, 1935	March 26, 2004	Married October 20, 1956
14	13	2	Steambarge, no first name	Private		Shared with Richard Steambarge, Sr.
14	13	3	Steambarge, Richard C., Jr.	August 3, 1961	March 5, 2003	Shared with Richard Steambarge, Sr.
14	14	1	Bustamante, Guadalupe P.	August 17, 1928	March 23, 2009	Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	15	1	Bustamante, Patrick	March 14, 1954	August 17, 2009	Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	16	1	Aguilera, Desiderio Lozano	Private		Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	16	2	Aguilera, Guadalupe Vargas	July 2, 1934	January 2, 2005	Shared with Desiderio Aguilera; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	17	1	Aguilera, Juan Manuel, Jr.	November 24, 1974	August 3, 2000	Photo on stone; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	18	1	Cruz, Alfredo	September 4, 1975	August 3, 2000	Photo on stone; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	19	1	O'Bryan, John Morris	Private		Married February 4, 1950; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	19	2	O'Bryan, Martha Stein	February 22, 1924	October 5, 2000	Shared with John O'Bryan; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	20	1	Lane, Elizabeth Kelly	Private		Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	20	2	Lane, Cienna Paige	2005	2005	Shared with Elizabeth Lane; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	20	3	Lane, Dennis D.	Private		Shared with Elizabeth Lane; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	20	4	Lane, Connor Zachary	September 6, 2002	July 18, 2003	Shared with Elizabeth Lane; Photo on stone; Scattered graves beyond Row 12

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14	21	1	Leonard, R. L.	November 10, 1926	December 24, 2000	Married November 27, 1954; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	21	2	Leonard, Josphine Calli	November 10, 1928	November 5, 2000	Shared with R. L. Leonard; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	22	1	Guerra, Silvia	September 10, 1968	June 24, 2003	Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	23	1	Guerra, Francisco			Temporary marker; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	24	1	Uñate, Pedro	April 16, 1924	December 7, 2005	Married September 18, 1949; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	24	2	Uñate, Manuela	June 15, 1933	June 26, 2007	Shared with Pedro Uñate; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	25	1	Britz, Robert "Bob"	January 22, 1937	January 1, 2006	Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	25	2	Britz, Trudy Poor	Private		Shared with Robert Britz; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	26	1	Brady, Bernard M., Jr.	April 9, 1931	May 11, 2008	Scattered graves beyond Row 12
14	26	2	Brady, Teresa A.	Private		Shared with Bernard Brady; Scattered graves beyond Row 12
15	1	1	Harris, Robert Snyder, Jr.	September 13, 1937	October 25, 2001	
15	1	2	Harris, Betty Hampton	February 28, 1943	June 24, 200	Shared with Robert Harris
15	2	1	Salazar, Ramiro, Jr.	September 2, 1974	January 7, 2001	
15	3	1	Pepperday, John	1953	2004	
15	3	2	Pepperday, Janet	Private		Shared with John Pepperday
15	4	1	Martinez, Teresa Yee	October 19, 1928	July 8, 2009	
15	5	1	Yergensen, Steven G.	March 26, 1941	November 20, 2001	U.S. Air Force Vietnam
15	6	1	Yergensen, Diana	October 18, 1945	May 17, 2003	Shared with Steven Yergensen
15	7	1	Lewton, William Allen	January 24, 1911	November 26, 1961	
15	7	2	Lewton, Ruth J. Preston	January 3, 1913	June 18, 1980	Shared with William Lewton
15	8	1	Hannigan Family Headstone			Scattered graves by oak tree

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15	9	1	Hannigan, Raymond R.	May 7, 1912	February 27, 1963	Scattered graves by oak tree
15	10	1	Hannigan, Edward Vincent	December 13, 1945	August 3, 2010	Capt. U.S. Navy Vietnam; Scattered graves by oak tree
15	11	1	Hannigan, Margaret F.	July 7, 1913	November 28, 1994	Scattered graves by oak tree
15	12	1	Zapata, Victoria Lynn	July 26, 1998	April 16, 2003	Scattered graves by oak tree
15	13	1	Cummings, Robert L.	Private		Scattered graves by oak tree
15	13	2	Cummings, Januray [sic] S.	January 19, 1948	November 23, 1994	Shared with Robert Cummins; Scattered graves by oak tree
15	14	1	DeVillez, Dorothy Gianna	February 18, 2000	December 23, 2000	Scattered graves by oak tree
16	1	1	Yeakey, William L.	September 11, 1933	September 11, 2000	
16	1	2	Yeakey, Marilyn L.	Private		Shared with William Yeakey
16	2	1	Hernandez, Mary Felicitas	December 26, 1930	July 15, 2008	Photo on stone
16	3	1	Hernandez, Charles	March 4, 1916	August 31, 2000	Photo on stone
16	3	2	Hernandez, Josie	December 9, 1922	August 1, 2008	Photo on stone; Shared with Charles Hernandez
16	4	1	Nieves, Manuel M.	February 17, 1913	February 23, 2001	
16	4	2	Nieves, Emily H.	Private		Shared with Manuel Nieves
16	4	3	Nieves, John M.	Private		Shared with Manuel Nieves
16	5	1	Emmite, Joseph L.	April 23, 1920	June 15, 2005	
16	5	2	Emmite, Elizabeth	November 3, 1962	November 3, 1962	Shared with Joseph Emmite
16	5	3	Emmite Dorothy M.	January 18, 1924	July 20, 2005	Shared with Joseph Emmite
16	6	1	Lagle, Eleanor Hall	April 22, 1915	June 1, 1990	
16	7	1	DePasqual, Vincent F.	October 27, 1920	August 14, 1991	Footstone: Lt. Col. U.S. Army World War II
16	8	1	DePasqual, Rose Anne	1920	2002	
16	9	1	Mayes, Clinton E. L.	March 2, 1974	July 15, 1996	
16	10	1	Unmarked Grave			
16	11	1	Owens, Milton G. “Glenn”	April 2, 1931	August 3, 2003	Footstone: LCDR U.S. Navy Korea; Married September 26, 1953

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16	11	2	Owens, Anne, M. "Nancy"	Private		nee Paine; Shared with Milton Owens
16	12	1	Clunie, Thomas John "Tom"	Private		Married May 2, 1970
16	12	2	Clunie, Deborah Kathleen "Debbie"	September 4, 1948	December 3, 2010	Shared with Thomas Clunie
16	13	1	Stewart, Bobbie Lamkin	April 19, 1929	April 29, 1999	
16	14	1	Garcia, Ricardo M., Sr.	March 21, 1947	February 14, 2010	Footstone: MSgt. U.S. Air Force Vietnam
16	15	1	Ortiz, Santos F.	March 3, 1914	April 8, 1999	
16	16	1	DiSalvo, Joe	November 23, 1938	December 26, 1994	
16	16	2	DiSalvo, Nancy	Private		Shared with Joe DiSalvo
16	17	1	Taylor, John Thomas	November 24, 1936	August 31, 1998	
16	18	1	East, Joseph M.	Private		Married February 17, 1965
16	18	2	East, Dolores M.	Private		Shared with Joseph East
16	19	1	Williams, Damon Reed	February 27, 1932	May 14, 2001	Married August 25, 1963
16	19	2	Williams, Laura Baggett	Private		Shared with Damon Williams
16	20	1	Yeager, Stephen C., Sr.	May 10, 1937	October 5, 2007	Footstone: Sgt. U.S. Marine Corps
16	20	2	Yeager, Dorothy J.	Private		Shared with Stephen Yeager
17	1	1	Karins, Foster L.	December 14, 1914	December 21, 1981	Footstone: U.S. Army; Scattered graves beyond Row 16
17	2	1	Karins, Naomi Lassiter	December 27, 1917	February 2, 2004	Scattered graves beyond Row 16
17	3	1	Reid, William J.	May 24, 1922	October 23, 2010	Scattered graves beyond Row 16
17	3	2	Reid, Rina S.	Private		Shared with William Reid; Scattered graves beyond Row 16
17	4	1	Hughes, Walter Jay, Jr.	September 19, 1963	June 18, 1972	Scattered graves beyond Row 16
17	5	1	McMahon, Michael J.	July 12, 1959	July 2, 1989	Scattered graves beyond Row 16
17	6	1	Hasserd, Kelley Renee	June 5, 1965	July 24, 1967	Scattered graves beyond Row 16
17	7	1	Hasserd, Frank "Bog"	August 1, 1934	November 12, 2003	Scattered graves beyond Row 16

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17	8	2	Powers, Esther M.	April 21, 1922	October 14, 2007	Shared with Arthur Powers; Scattered graves beyond Row 16
17	9	1	Piske, Selma S.	April 2, 1902	January 8, 1985	Scattered graves beyond Row 16
17	10	1	Ottwork, Joseph P.	1913	1981	TSgt. U.S. Army World War II; Scattered graves beyond Row 16
17	11	1	Ottwork, Mayc [sic]	August 27, 1920	March 4, 1996	Scattered graves beyond Row 16

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I can help with (e.g., German translation, NY research…) _____

The Society needs your participation. Check the committee(s) on which you are willing to serve:

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The Bay Area Genealogical Society (BAGS) was formed in 2001 with 161 members. The main purpose of the Society is to create, foster and maintain interest in genealogical research through the education of people of all ages. The Society will:

- **hold classes so people of all ages can learn how to research;**
- **offer a support system for beginners to help them along the way;**
- **have our members participate by sharing their knowledge;**
- **promote speakers that can teach us new methods and ideas; and**
- **share this information with others through our Quarterly, our monthly Newsletter, and with open seminars.**

The Bay Area Genealogical Society holds memberships in the Texas State Genealogical Society, the Federation of Genealogical Societies and Clayton Library Friends. We support their goals as well as our own.

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