

8. The children and grandchildren of Sophronia Paralee Smith Hudman and Benjamin Monroe Hudman

As usual I will leave a brief introduction of the parents below before starting the children's stories.

- 8. Sophronia Paralee Smith** 23 MAR 1860 • Atascosa, TX - 26 MAR 1935 • Los Angeles, CA
Benjamin Monroe Hudman 25 MAY 1863 • Mineral Wells, TX -18 APR 1919 • Alamogordo, NM
 Marriage: 8 Apr 1888 • Lincoln County, New Mexico

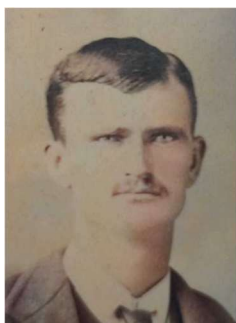


Photo of Sophronia from FamilySearch – bkelison
 Photo on Benjamin from FamilySearch – Dmayes

Sophronia was the 7th child of Jesse and Elizabeth arriving on the eve of the Civil War in Pleasanton. She came two years after her older sister Cordie and 2 years before the arrival of my grandfather, Elijah Franklin. While she appears in her parent's home in 1860 through 1880, she hasn't been found in 1900 and finally pops up in 1910 in Alamogordo, NM married to Benjamin Hudson who happens to be

Phineas' (PW) youngest brother. He was 15 years younger than Phineas and also three years younger than Sophronia. Had we found them in 1900, it probably would have looked something like this. Various sources

	1900 Census	Cannot Find - Probably NM as all children except Ollie were born there
8.1	Benjamin Monroe Hudman	1863 1919
8	Sophronia L Smith	1861 1938
47	Jesse Earl Hudman	1891 1963
48	Ernest May Hudman	1892 1895 Died 1895
49	Ernest Hudman	1892 1910
50	Emmett Eddy Hudman	1893 1929
51	Minnie Lois Hudman	1894 1972
52	Ollie Josephine Hudman	1896 1971
53	Mary Ethel Hudman	1897 1982
54	Benjamin Vernon Hudman	1899 1961
55	Daughter Hudman	1899 1899 Died 1899

seem to indicate that they were married in Lincoln County, NM in 1880 and the 1910 Census indicated that she had 9 children with 7 surviving so the existence of a couple of these children are speculation based on that fact.

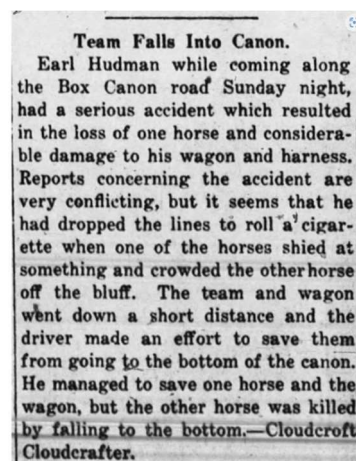
- 47. Jesse Earl Hudman** 9 JUN 1891 • Mayhill, New Mexico, USA - 20 JULY 1963 • Alamogordo, NM
Bessie A Scott 3 OCT 1900 • Otero, New Mexico - 8 JAN 1979 • Alamogordo, NM
 Marriage: 18 Feb 1920 • Mountain Park, New Mexico – from newspaper article



Jesse and Bessie Hudman - posted by Mary Porter on Ancestry – her grandparents

Jesse (who seems to have gone by Earl) was the first child of Sophronia and Ben. He was born in Mayhill, NM and spent all of his life there apart from a rude interruption during WW1. While he appeared at

home as a 18 year old in 1910, the next mention that I found about him was in 1913 when he had a little accident which just reinforces the danger of smoking. I think that this was the 2nd incident in the family of horses falling over the edge of the road. I didn't realize that horseback/wagon riding was so dangerous.



The next time that Earl appears in when he registered for the WW1 Draft on 5 Jun 1917 at which time he was farming in Cloudfcroft. He was tall, slender with blue eyes and brown hair. It did not take long for Uncle Sam to come calling. On 21 Sep 1917, he and fellow draftees were shipped by train to Camp Funston which was near Fort Riley, Kansas. Should you care to learn more about it, here is a link.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Camp_Funston#:~:text=Camp%20Funston%20is%20a%20U.S.,outbreak%20of%20World%20War%20I. It seems that he was selected to be a horseshoer and was shipped to Camp Kearny, California to receive training. Camp Kearny is near San Diego. Here is a link to its history.



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Camp_Kearny I've downloaded a bunch of muster rolls, but have not taken the time to go through each one, but he was deployed to France with the 158th Infantry and was serving in the Veterinary Corp. There are a couple of interesting news articles about their return from overseas in Aug 1919 where they stopped in New York and got to spend the day at Coney Island before boarding the train for Fort Bliss which is in El Paso. I suspect that this is the reason that I have not been able to find him in the 1920 Census. He may have taken some time off to celebrate his homecoming. Photo of Jesse in Army during WW1.

I found an article from 1950 that was one of those “30 Years Ago” describing the marriage of Earl and Bessie Scott at her parent’s home in Mountain Park, NM. Bessie appears to be the 2nd child of Marion and Mary Scott who were from Illinois and Missouri. She had an older and younger sister and two younger brothers. They didn’t waste any time starting a family as their first child, Jesse Luther, arrived 9 months later. He was followed by Aril Edward Hudman 1922, Emmett Milton Hudman 1923, and William Scott Hudman 1925. They all show up in the 1930 Census where Earl is farming outside of Cloudfcroft. By now, Earl is 40 and his bride is 29 and they had married when he was 28 and she was 19. They owned their property and did not have a radio. They had a 21-year-old “servant” named Roy Williams helping Earl with the farm. Their farm was on Cox Canyon Road heading toward Russian Canyon. An interesting note – when I looked on the map to see where this was, there is an area labelled Goodsell Canyon. Remember the Goodsell? The Census confirms that he was a veteran.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Home Owned or Rented	Home Value	Radio Set	Lives on Farm	Gender	Race	Age	Estimate d Birth Year	Marital Status	Age at First Marriage	Attended School	Read and Write	Birthplace	Father's Birthplace	Mother's Birthplace	Occupation
1930 Census	From Cox Canyon to Russian	Cloudfcroft, Otero, New Mexico																
Hudman	J E	Head	Owned		No	Yes	Male	White	40	1893	Married	28	No	Yes	New Mexico	Texas	Texas	Farmer
Hudman	Bessie A	Wife					Female	White	29	1901	Married	19	No	Yes	New Mexico	Illinois	Texas	
Hudman	Jessie L	Son					Male	White	9	1921	Single		Yes	Yes	New Mexico	New Mexico	New Mexico	
Hudman	Aril E	Son					Male	White	7	1923	Single		Yes	Yes	New Mexico	New Mexico	New Mexico	
Hudman	Emmett M	Son					Male	White	6	1924	Single		Yes	Yes	New Mexico	New Mexico	New Mexico	
Hudman	William S	Son					Male	White	4	1926	Single		No	No	New Mexico	New Mexico	New Mexico	
Williams	Roy C	Servant					Male	White	21	1909	Single		No	Yes	Texas	Arkansas	Arkansas	Farm Laborer

In the 1930’s, a couple more kids arrived to include Franklin L Hudman in 1931 and Francis Pardee Hudman in 1940 just in time for the 1940 Census. They still lived in the Cloudfcroft area and Earl was a truck farmer. He seems to have a problem remembering his age as he only aged 8 years in the last decade. He was now 48 and Bessie was 39. The kids ranged in age from newborn to 19. Earl had a year of high school while Bessie had only gone through 7th grade. The older kids were working their way through high school and the youngest bot had finished 3rd grade.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Gender	Race	Age	Birth Year	Marital Status	Attended School	Highest Grade Completed	Birthplace	Citizenship	Residence City in 1935	Occupation
1940 Census		Cloudfcroft, Otero, New Mexico				5000							
Herdman	Jesse	Head	Male	White	48	1892	Married	No	High School, 1st year	New Mexico		Cloudfcroft	Truck Farm
Herdman	Bessie A	Wife	Female	White	39	1901	Married	No	Elementary school, 7th grade	New Mexico		Cloudfcroft	
Herdman	Jess L	Son	Male	White	19	1921	Single	No	High School, 4th year	New Mexico		Cloudfcroft	
Herdman	Aril E	Son	Male	White	17	1923	Single	Yes	High School, 2nd year	New Mexico		Cloudfcroft	
Herdman	Emmitt M	Son	Male	White	16	1924	Single	No	High School, 2nd year	New Mexico		Cloudfcroft	
Herdman	William S	Son	Male	White	14	1926	Single	Yes	High School, 2nd year	New Mexico		Cloudfcroft	
Herdman	Franklin L	Son	Male	White	9	1931	Single	Yes	Elementary school, 3rd grade	New Mexico		Cloudfcroft	
Herdman	Frances	Daughter	Female	White	12-Jan	1940	Single	No	None	New Mexico			

For some reason I have not been able to find Earl’s WW2 Draft Registration but there were cards for all of his older sons. We will explore those more closely in the next generation, but taking a quick look at the older kids. In 1942, Jesse Luther was still at home and working for a lumber company in Alamogordo.

Aril was working at an airport in Albuquerque NM. Emmett was working at Richard's Dairy in Alamogordo. William was working in Lowell, AZ at a Standard Service Station in 1943 when he registered. In 1948, Earl reportedly set up a truck line from Alamogordo to Mayhill which was a blessing to the local community as it saved them a long drive. I'm not sure when, but at some point, in the 1940's, Earl took a job as a mail carrier. There is an article for 1949 describing his route from Alamogordo to Mayhill dropping off mail sacks in all the little towns along the way. The round trip took him from 8:30am to 3pm. Jesse Luther got married in 1949. Aril got married in 1945 and had a child in 1946. He seems to have spent a lot of time in the Navy. Emmett had married in 1943 in Oregon while in the service and his wife seems to have

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Race	Gender	Age	Birth Date	Marital Status	Birth Place	Citizenship	Hours Worked	Occupation	Industry
1950 Census	1223 8th St	Alamogordo, Otero,	New Mexico									
Hudman	J Earl	Head	White	Male	58	1892	Married	New Mexico		45	Route Mail Carrier	Post Office
Hudman	Bessie S	Wife	White	Female	49	1901	Married	New Mexico				
Hudman	F Lee	Son	White	Male	18	1932	Never Married	(New Mexico				
Hudman	Frances P	Daughter	White	Female	9	1941	Never Married	(New Mexico				

had a child from a previous marriage. William married about 1948 and had twin daughters in 1949 in New Mexico. The two youngest were still at home in 1950. They lived at 1223 8th St, Alamogordo, NM. There seems to be a warehouse there today.

In 1952, Earl and all of his brothers and sisters had a family reunion in Alamogordo. In 1954, Earl left his job as a mail carrier. He seems to have gone into the gas station business with Jesse Luther.



Their youngest son Franklin got married about 1958 and lost his first child in 1959.

I seem to have run out of leads after the 1959 article about losing his grandson. Jesse died in 1963 and I have not found an obituary. Bessie died in 1979 and I haven't found her obituary either.

Children of Jesse Earl and Bessie Hudman

177	Jesse Luthur Hudman	1920	2015	Jesse and Bessie Child#1
178	Aril Edward Hudman	1922	2010	Jesse and Bessie Child#2
179	Emmett Milton Hudman	1923	1992	Jesse and Bessie Child#3
180	William Scott Hudman	1925	1996	Jesse and Bessie Child#4
181	Franklin L Hudman	1931	2024	Jesse and Bessie Child#5
182	Francis Pardee Hudman	1940	XXXX	Jesse and Bessie Child#6

48. Ernest Mae Hudman 1892 • New Mexico - DEATH 1895 • New Mexico

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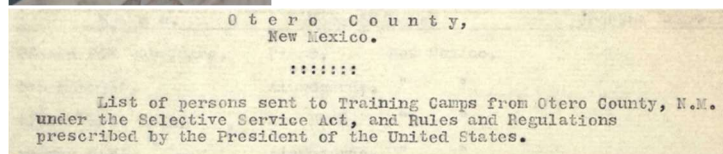
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50. Eddie Emmett Hudman 16 FEB 1893 • Otero, New Mexico - 22 OCT 1929 • Sonora, Tuolumne, CA
 Ophelia Maples 3 JUN 1904 • Texas - 7 NOV 1937 • San Angelo, Tom Green, TX

Married: before 1926 – Uncertain – based on 1926 City Directory from Pasadena, CA showing them married.



Photo of Emmett from FamilySearch posted by DMayes who is apparently his niece and my 3rd cousin. I'm reaching out to her for more information on her family.



hair. I'm a little uncertain if he served in WW1. There is a list of young men with his name on it that says he may have been sent for training, but I have not found any musters or military records for him like I found for his brother so it remains uncertain and since he died before the 1930 Census, I cannot confirm his service.

I found a news article from 1921 saying the ex-forest ranger E. E. Hudman stopped by the office so he must have moved on from that job. I then find him in the Pasadena (CA) City Directory in 1926 living at 96 S. Oak with his wife Ophelia and his widowed mother Sophronia. In 1927, he is shown at the same address with the same people and working as a laborer. On 18 June 1928 a news report states that Eddy and Ophelia had a son in Soulsbyville, CA. I think we have run across that place with other family members and know that it was a gold mining town. Then in 1929, Eddy took ill and died. Below is a notice of his death.

Truck Driver Dies After Short Illness SONORA, Oct. 24.- -Eddie Hudman, 37, who had resided for the past two years on the Sonora Mono Road, near the Hibbing ranch, died at his home Tuesday evening after a short illness. The deceased was engaged as a truck driver by Roy Hibbing. He was a former resident of Pasadena, where body WAS sent Wednesday morning by W. B. O'Beirne for interment. Besides his, wife, Mrs. Ophelia Hudman, county, he is survived by a son, Arthur V.: three brothers, Vaughn of Pasadena, Earl and Vernon of New Mexico; his mother, Mrs. Sophronia Hudman of Pasadena; and an uncle, J. R. Smith, of Twain-Harte.

This left poor Ophelia with a 1-year-old.

Surname	Given Name	Relationship	or		Sex	Race	Age	Birth Year	Marital Status	Birthplace	Father's Birthplace	Mother's Birthplace	Occupation	Industry
			Rented	Mortgaged										
1920 Census					Queen, Eddy, New Mexico									
Hudman	Eddy E	Head			Male	White	26	1894	Single	New Mexico	Texas	Texas	Rancher	Lincoln Hospital Forest

In the 1930 Census, Ophelia and son Arthur were back in Pasadena with Eddy's brother Vaughn and her mother-in-law Sophronia and son Arthur. She was listed as a servant. Vaughn was not yet married and

was a mailman. She lived at 2089 East Colorado St. She seems to have returned to Texas and married someone named M. L. Holcomb before her premature death of heart failure at the age of 33 in San Angelo, TX. She was living at 1718 S. Van Buren, San Angelo at the time of her death. I think that M. L. was Menard Lee Holcomb who in 1930 was a 31-year-old widower with three young children.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head	Home Owned or Rented	Home Value	Radio Set	Lives on Farm	Gender	Race	Age	Estimated Birth Year	Marital Status	Age at First Marriage	Attended School	Read and Write	Birthplace	Father's Birthplace	Mother's Birthplace	Occupation
1930 Census	2089 East Colorado Street		Pasadena, Los Angeles, California															
Hudman	Vaughn F	Head	Rented	25	No	No	Male	White	28	1902	Single		No	Yes	New Mexico	Texas	Texas	Mail-carrier
Hudman	Sophonria	Mother					Female	White	70	1860	Widowed		No	Yes	Texas	Georgia	Alabama	
Hudman	Ophelia R	Sister-in-Law	Emmett Eddie's widow				Female	White	25	1905	Widowed		No	Yes	Texas	Texas	Texas	Servant
Hudman	Arthur V	Nephew	Emmett Eddie's son				Male	White	1	1929	Single		No		California	New Mexico	Texas	

By all indications, Ophelia must have left her son with his uncle Vaughn when she returned to Texas in 1935 (as he turns up there in 1940) and married Menard. She then died in 1937 and strangely there is no mention of her son Arthur. The children that are mentioned in her obituary are Menard's children from his first marriage.

Services For Mrs. M. L. Holcomb, 33, From Chapel Here Funeral services for Mrs. M. L. Holcomb, 33, 1718 8. Van Buren, were held from Massie Chapel at 3 o'clock afternoon. Christian Science rites were conducted and burial was Fairmount Cemetery. Mrs. Holcomb, ill for several months, died here yesterday. She had lived in San Angelo for around two years. Survivors include her husband, M. L. Holcomb; two daughters. Altha Holcomb of San Angelo and Mrs. Bernice Harcroe of Mayhill, N. M.: a son. Alvin, San Angelo: her father, W. C. Maples of San Angelo; three sisters, Miss Florence Maples of Roswell, N. M.: Mrs. Aubrey Menges of Lovelock, Nev., and Miss Maggie Lee Maples of Las Lunas, N. M.

Child of Eddy and Ophelia

183 Arthur Vaughn Hudman

1928 2009 Emmett and Ophelia's Child

51. Minnie Lois Hudman 26 MAY 1894 • Cloudcroft, NM - ABT 1972 • Alamogordo, Otero County, NM
Edward Young Billups 18 NOV 1874 • Sulphur Bluff, TX – 4 APR 1950 • Alamogordo, Otero, NM
Married 1912 – Otero, NM – per obituaries



Photo of Minnie from Simon Duran on Ancestry and Ed Billups from melzb0325 on Ancestry.

Minnie was the 5th child of Sophronia and Benjamin and the oldest surviving daughter. She was born outside of Cloudcroft in 1894. She appeared with her family there in 1910 and according to their obituaries, she married Ed Billups in 1912. Ed was 20 years older than Minnie and was born in Sulphur Bluff, TX in 1874 and came to New Mexico with his uncle Dr. George Simms in 1905 and settle near Three Rivers where he worked as a miner. The initially lived in Alamogordo until 1918 and then moved to Mountain Park which is where they were found for the 1920 Census. At that time, Ed was farming. While three children appear in the Census, they actually had a son in 1916 who died of pneumonia. A news article in the Carrizo Outlook describes how Minnie's parents were called to their home to help because all three of her children were struggling with pneumonia. The children that they had at the time were Benjamin Edward Billups 1912, Robert William Billups 1914, and Jesse Ralph Billups 1916–1917. The following year, they had another son, Ernest Eugene Billups 1918.

Surname	Given Name	Relationship	Owned or Rented	Home Free or Mortgaged	Sex	Race	Age	Estimated Birth Year	Marital Status	Birthplace	Father's Birthplace	Mother's Birthplace	Occupation	Industry
1920 Census	MT Park Distrist		High Rolls, Otero, New Mexico											
Billups	Edward J	Head	Owned	Mortgaged	Male	White	45	1875	Married	Texas	Germany	Alabama	Farmer	Farm
Billups	Minnie L	Wife			Female	White	25	1895	Married	New Mexico	Texas	Texas		
Billups	Ben	Son			Male	White	7	1913	Single	New Mexico	Texas	New Mexico		
Billups	Robert	Son			Male	White	5	1915	Single	New Mexico	Texas	New Mexico		
Billups	Eugene	Son			Male	White	1	1919	Single	New Mexico	Texas	New Mexico		

The family continued to grow after 1930 with the arrival of Thelma May Billups 1920, Charles Leon Billups 1922, Virginia Ruth Billups 1925, and Albert Billups 1928. In 1923, they had moved to Alamogordo where Ed became a building contractor a career he followed until 1942 when he retired from private work and went to work at the local military base. They lived at 236 9th Street. Ed was 55 and Minnie was 36 and the children ranged in age from 17 to 1. There were 5 sons and 2 daughters. They owned their home which was worth \$1000. Ed claimed that his first marriage was when he was 39 and Minnie had been 18. He had not served during WW1.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head	Home Owned or Rented	Home Value	Radio Set	Lives on Farm	Gender	Race	Age	Birth Year	Marital Status	First Marriage	Attended School	Write	Birthplace	Father's Birthplace	Mother's Birthplace	Occupation
1930 Census	236 9th Street	Alamogordo, Otero, New Mexico																
Billups	Edward Y	Head	Owned	1000	No	No	Male	White	55	1875	Married	39	No	Yes	Texas	Georgia	Alabama	Contractor
Billups	Lois	Wife					Female	White	36	1894	Married	18	No	Yes	New Mexico	Texas	Texas	
Billups	Benjamin	Son					Male	White	17	1913	Single		Yes	Yes	New Mexico	Texas	New Mexico	
Billups	Robert	Son					Male	White	15	1915	Single		Yes	Yes	New Mexico	Texas	New Mexico	
Billups	Eugene	Son					Male	White	11	1919	Single		Yes	Yes	New Mexico	Texas	New Mexico	
Billups	Thelma	Daughter					Female	White	9	1921	Single		Yes	Yes	New Mexico	Texas	New Mexico	
Billups	Charlie	Son					Male	White	7	1923	Single		Yes	Yes	New Mexico	Texas	New Mexico	
Billups	Ruth	Daughter					Female	White	4	1926	Single		No	No	New Mexico	Texas	New Mexico	
Billups	Albert	Son					Male	White	1	1929	Single		No	No	New Mexico	Texas	New Mexico	

The 1940 Census found them still in Alamogordo although they were now renting at 1021 Utah. Looking at the census, we note that two more children had joined the family with the arrival of Sarah Parali Billups in 1934 and Fanny Bell Billups in 1938. Benjamin and Robert had moved on and sadly, daughter Thelma had died in a drowning accident in 1939.

Son Benjamin had married Wilma Hust in 1937 and had a daughter Barbara Ann in 1947. I think that he was off at college in the late 1930's and enlisted in 1940. Son Robert had moved to LA in 1940 to work for an airplane manufacturing company. There were still 6 kids at home ranging in age from 21 to 1. Ben was 65 and Minnie was 45. You can see below their educational achievements.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Gender	Race	Age	Birth Year	Marital Status	Attended School	Highest Grade Completed	Birthplace	Citizenship	Residence City in 1935	Occupation
1940 Census	1021 Utah	Alamogordo, Otero, New Mexico Rented											
Billups	Edward Young	Head	Male	White	65	1875	Married	No	High School, 4th year	Texas		Alamogordo	Contractor
Billups	Minnie Hudman	Wife	Female	White	45	1895	Married	No	High School, 3rd year	New Mexico		Alamogordo	
Billups	Eugene	Son	Male	White	21	1919	Single	No	High School, 4th year	New Mexico		Alamogordo	Carpenter Helper
Billups	Charles	Son	Male	White	17	1923	Single	Yes	High School, 3rd year	New Mexico		Alamogordo	
Billups	Ruth	Daughter	Female	White	14	1926	Single	Yes	Elementary school, 7th grade	New Mexico		Alamogordo	
Billups	Albert	Son	Male	White	11	1929	Single	Yes	Elementary school, 4th grade	New Mexico		Alamogordo	
Billups	Paraly	Daughter	Female	White	5	1938	Single	No	None	New Mexico		Alamogordo	
Billups	Fanny Bell	Daughter	Female	White	1	1939	Single	No	None	New Mexico		Alamogordo	

The 1940's were a very active time for the Billups. With so many sons, they were bound to have been impacted by the war. I mentioned above that son Benjamin had enlisted in 1940. He was in the Corp of Engineers and was a Captain serving in Italy. Robert had enlisted after Pearl Harbor and was serving with the US Navy Air Corp in the South Pacific. Eugene was in the Signal Corp and serving in India. Son Charles had joined the Navy and had been killed in the sinking of the USS Astoria in action at Guadalcanal in 1942. I don't yet know what Ruth did during the war years, but by 1950 she had moved to Phoenix. The other children were at home in 1950 with Ernest working as a rocket scientist, Albert in the Service, and the two youngest daughters at home in school. I will explore all of these in more detail in the next generation.

From his obituary, we know that Edward had given up contraction in 1942 and became a Base Facility Manager. He had a heart attack in 1945 when he was 70 which probably led to his retirement. Shortly after the 1950 Census, he passed away. When he died he left Minnie with two teenaged daughters.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Race	Gender	Age	Birth Date	Marital Status	Birth Place	Citizenship	Hours Worked	Occupation	Industry	Worker Class	Same House
1950 Census	1018 Hawaii Avenue	Alamogordo, Otero, New Mexico												
Billups	Edward Y	Head	White	Male	75	1875	Married	Texas						
Billups	Minnie L	Wife	White	Female	55	1895	Married	New Mexico						
Billups	Ernest E	Son	White	Male	31	1919	Never Married	(New Mexico)		40	Electronic Engineer	Rocket Research	Government	
Billups	Albert L	Son	White	Male	21	1929	Never Married	(New Mexico)		Ho	Armed Forces			
Billups	Sarah P	Daughter	White	Female	15	1938	Never Married	(New Mexico)			Student	High school	Without	Yes
Billups	Fannie B	Daughter	White	Female	11	1939	Never Married	(New Mexico)						

Ed's obituary is below:

Heart Attack Fatal to Ed Y. Billups

Edward Y. Billups, 76, succumbed to heart attack his home on Hawaii avenue, at 7:45 a. m. Tuesday, after an illness of nearly 5 years. Suffering a stroke in '45, he had been troubled with heart attacks which had become more frequent within the past few weeks. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 Saturday morning, at the Leadinghaus-Mullins Chapel, with Rev. T. Gamble, Jr., in charge. Pall bearers selected are: Jesse Hudman, Eric Hudman, Lewis N. Gillis, Harold O'Dell, Douglas Reding, Alfred Hunter, Henry Sorenson and Robert Reding.

Mr. Billups was born in Sulphur Bluff, Texas, and grew w to young manhood in that vicinity. Accompanying an uncle, the late Dr. George Simms, and his family, he came to New Mexico in 1905. The Simms family first settled near Three Rivers, and Mr. Billups engaged for a few years in mining near there. He was married in 1912 Minnie Lois Hudman, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hudman, pioneer Sacramento Mountain farmers, and they made their home in Alamogordo until 1918. They then moved to Mountain Park and remained there until 1923. Moving to Alamogordo, Mr. Billups engaged in the building trade, and entered the contracting business. This he followed until the war years, and in 1942, he retired from private contracting and assumed a superintendency in the government service at the Alamogordo Air Base. He remained there until his illness overcame him in 1945. He is survived by his widow and seven children. Another son gave his life during his service with the navy during the early days of the Japanese War in the Pacific. His children, all of whom are assembling around their mother, are Benjamin Billups, Las Cruces; Virginia Ruth Billups, Phoenix, Arizona; Robert Billups, Ellensburg, Washington; Eugene Billups, Alamogordo; Sgt. Albert Billups, Holloman and Alamogordo; Parali and Fannie Billups, Alamogordo school students.

I did not find a lot about Minnie after 1950, but perhaps more will come out when I dig into her children in the next generation. Minnie died in 1972 and her obituary follows:

Rites Pending For Pioneer Area Lady

Funeral services are pending at the Hamilton Funeral Home today, for Minnie Lois Billups following her death Wednesday. Passing away at the age of 78 at the Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital, Mrs. Billups was born in James Canyon on May 26, 1894. The daughter of the late Benjamin Monroe and Sophrona P. Smith Hudman she attended the Alamogordo public schools and married the late Edward Billups.

After the marriage, the couple were engaged in carpentry and construction until Billups' death in 1951. Since that time Mrs. Billups made her home in Tularosa with her family. She leaves four sons, Benjamin of Las Cruces, Robert of Tucson, Eugene of Tularosa and Albert of Cheyenne, Wyo.; three daughters, Mrs. Ruth Turberville of Los Alamos, Mrs. Parilee Stafford of La Luz and Mrs. Fennie Beall Marker of Huntsville, Ala.; 16 grandchildren; five great grandchildren; a brother, Vaughn F. Hudman of Laytonville, Calif. and one sister, Mrs. Mary E. Burns of Phoenix, AZ.

Children of Minnie and Edward Billups

1062	184	Benjamin Edward Billups	1912	1978	Minnie and Edward's Child#1
1063	185	Robert William Billups	1914	1996	Minnie and Edward's Child#2
1064	186	Jesse Ralph Billups	1916	1917	Minnie and Edward's Child#3
1065	187	Ernest Eugene Billups	1918	1989	Minnie and Edward's Child#4
1066	188	Thelma May Billups	1920	1939	Minnie and Edward's Child#5
1067	189	Charles Leon Billups	1922	1942	Minnie and Edward's Child#6
1068	190	Virginia Ruth Billups	1925	2008	Minnie and Edward's Child#7
1069	191	Albert Lewis Billups	1928	2021	Minnie and Edward's Child#8
1070	192	Sarah Parali Billups	1933	1982	Minnie and Edward's Child#9
1071	193	Fanny Bell Billups	1938	2015	Minnie and Edward's Child#10

52. Ollie Josephine Hudman 21 JAN 1896 • Alamogordo, Otero, NM - 31 OCT 1971 • Siskiyou Co, CA
 Robert Walter Zenker 26 JAN 1896 • Chickashee, OK - 7 NOV 1978 • Lane County, OR
 Marriage: 6 Sep 1921 • Alamogordo, NM



The knife I inherited from my Maternal Great-Grandfather, Robert (Bob) Zenker of German ancestry. The rock because that is a Jewish custom to place a simple rock on the grave of an ancestor. Acorns because I am also of Native American ancestry. – note on Findagrave photo posted by Wayne William Whitehead, Jr.



Ollie was the 6th child of Cordelia and Benjamin and the 2nd surviving sister. She arrived in 1896 and would have been in the 1900 Census if we could find it and then she was in the 1910 and 1920 Censuses. News articles suggest that Ollie (or perhaps Olive) had become a teacher in Deming NM in the late 1910's and was active with the American Red Cross in the area. Deming was the location of a large training base during the war. She was called home in 1919 because of her father's illness, but returned to finish out her school term in Cameron NM. After her father died in 1919, she was one of three kids still at home with their widowed mother, the others being her younger brothers Vernon and Vaughn. They were still living on the family farm outside of Alamogordo and Vernon seemed to be running the farm while Ollie and Vaughn were pitching in.

Surname	Given Name	Relationship	Owned or Rented	Home Free or Mortgaged	Sex	Race	Age	Estimated Birth Year	Marital Status	Birthplace	Father's Birthplace	Mother's Birthplace	Occupation
1920 Census			High Rolls, Otero, New Mexico										
Hudman	Sophrina	Head	Owned	Mortgaged	Female	White	59	1861	Widowed	Texas	Georgia	Alabama	
Hudman	Vernon	Son			Male	White	20	1900	Single	New Mexico	Texas	Texas	Farmer
Hudman	Ollie	Daughter			Female	White	24	1896	Single	Texas	Texas	Texas	Laborer
Hudman	Vaughn	Son			Male	White	18	1902	Single	New Mexico	Texas	Texas	Laborer

A year after the Census, Ollie married Robert Zenker in Alamogordo. I think that he went by Bob. He was born to Ernest and Wilhelmina Zenker who had immigrated from Germany in 1880 and made their way to Oklahoma where Robert was born before ending up in Otero Co. in 1920. He was the youngest of their 4 children and had 3 older sisters. They may have spent some time in the El Paso and Austin area because I found his sisters there in 1910, but I haven't searched real deeply. I did see that Bob served in WW1 prior to their marriage. The photo above came from a questionnaire that he filled out after getting home. He had registered on 4 June 1917 in Mountain Home and enlisted at Alamogordo on 27 Aug 1918 which was about 3 months before the war was over. It looks like he got as far as Camp Lee, Virginia where he served in Casual Co #571 with a Serial Number 38201955. In Sep 1923, their only child Ada Pauline was born. She appears to have been named after Bob's oldest sister. They had moved to Carlsbad where Bob was working as a laborer for the highway department. Per the El Paso City Directory, they had been living there in 1927 where he was working as a driver. Bob and Ollie were both the same age and had been married 8 years.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head	Home Owned or Rented	Home Value	Radio Set	Lives on Farm	Gender	Race	Age	Estimated Birth Year	Marital Status	Age at First Marriage	Read Attended and Write	Birthplace	Father's Birthplace	Mother's Birthplace	Occupation	
1930 Census			308 S. Gaudahpe Carlsbad, Eddy, New Mexico															
Zenker	Robert	Head	Rented	15	No	No	Male	White	33	1896	Married	25	No	Yes	Arkansas	Germany	Germany	Laborer
Zenker	Ollie	Wife					Female	White	33	1896	Married	25	No	Yes	Texas	Texas	Texas	
Zenker	Pauline	Daughter					Female	White	6	1924	Single		Yes	Yes	New Mexico	Arkansas	Texas	

In 1932, Bob, Ollie, and Bob's parents registered to vote in Yavapai Co, AZ which is north of Phoenix with a county seat of Prescott. Bob was a Republican, but everyone else was a Democrat. He was driving a truck and was 5'-8" - 160lbs while Ollie was 5'-5" - 130lbs. His oldest sister, their daughter's namesake died in 1935 as well as his father. In 1937, they were in Glendale and Bob was farming. I wonder

if he took over his father's farm when he died. In 1939, I found Pauline attending school in Scottsdale, AZ. In a confusing sequence of events, daughter Pauline married Joe Harold Hearne in Tempe as evidenced by a newspaper announcement and marriage records, but then a year later she married Arbee Freeman in Crescent City CA in Oct 1941. I'm unsure of what happened to Joe. The news announcement said that he was 21 to Pauline's 18 and that he was from New York City. I found a Joe Freeman in Arizona in the 1940 Census, but he was born in Arizona and was only 19 so I think that is not the right guy. After all of that, I found a divorce announcement in the newspaper in Aug 1941 in Phoenix.

I have been unable to find any of the Zenkers in the 1940 Census, but I found them in Bakersfield CA in the 1943 City Directory. His job was not shown. That is contradicted by his 1942 WW2 Old Mans Draft registration at which time he was living in Harbor, Oregon working for Donald Crocken. He was 5'8-175lbs-blue eyes, brown hair and ruddy complexion. I then found a news article from 1947 and they were living in Ophir, Oregon. It's a small town on the central Oregon coast, south of Coos Bay. Their daughter Pauline and her 2nd husband had supplied them with 4 grandchildren Shirley K Freeman 1942, Sandra Lee Freeman 1943, Arbee Freeman 1948, and Robert W Freeman 1949.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Race	Gender	Age	Birth Date	Marital Status	Birth Place	Citizenship	Hours Worked	Occupation	Industry
1950 Census	608 W Front		Coquille, Coos, Oregon									
Zenker	Robert W	Head	White Male		54	1896	Married	Oklahoma			Farmer	Farm
Zenker	Ollie J	Wife	White Female		54	1896	Married	Texas			Farm Helper	Farm

Information gets a little scarce after 1950. I found a couple of articles from 1950 where Bon received indemnification for a couple of cows that were destroyed in a campaign against Bang's Disease or Brucellosis, a disease that causes cattle to abort. His compensation of \$13.21 doesn't seem very equitable. In Jan 1952, Ollie filed suit for divorce, but they appear to have sorted their differences because later that year, the attended a Hudman family reunion in Alamogordo. I found them in Shasta CA City Directory in 1967 and then in 1971, there were a couple of news articles reporting her death of natural causes, but no proper obituary.

In 1978, Robert passed away in Oregon and was returned to California to be buried next to Ollie and his obituary reads:

Robert Zenker MOUNT SHASTA Graveside services for Robert W. Zenker of Springfield, Ore., will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday at Mount Shasta Memorial Park. Zenker died Tuesday at his home. He was 81.

He was born Jan. 26, 1896, in Oklahoma. He was a former resident of the Mount Shasta area and was a retired signalman for Southern Pacific Railroad Co. He was a member of Mount Shasta Elks Lodge 2333 and was a World War I veteran. He leaves a daughter, Paula Walsh of Eugene, Ore.; three sisters; four grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

The Rev. Phillip McGillin will officiate at the services. Mount Shasta Memorial Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

A couple of things that I take from this are that Robert worked for the Southern Pacific Railroad which is never reflected in the censuses. Maybe it was in the 1940 Census that I have not found. Secondly, their daughter apparently had a third husband after Hearne and Freeman which I will search for when I work on the next generation.

Ollie and Robert's Child

194	Ada Pauline Zenker	1924	Unknown	Ollie and Robert's Child
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53. Mary Ethel Hudman 24 OCT 1897 • Alamogordo, Otero, NM - 6 SEP 1982 • Phoenix, AZ
 Oscar Franklin Burns 5 MAY 1896 • Hope, Arkansas - JULY 1970 • Phoenix, Maricopa, AZ
 Married: 11 Jan 1920 – Alamogordo, NM – per FamilySearch – so documents to confirm



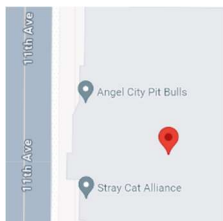
Some nice photos of Mary and Oscar from my 3rd Cousin DMayes on FamilySearch

Mary Ethel was the 7th child of Sophronia and Benjamin and the final daughter. She was as home in 1910 and according to noted on FamilySearch, she and Oscar married on 11 January 1920 which was before the 1920 Census, but I cannot find her that year, however, Oscar was found and in 1920 he was back in Animas, NM at his parent’s home

where his father was a hotel keeper.

Cruss57 on Ancestry posted this interesting story on that site which mentions Oscar. Oscar had registered for the WW1 Draft in Douglas AZ in June 1917 where he was working for the Douglas Fraction Light Company as an ice delivery man. He was medium height and build and had gray eyes and dark brown hair. Kind of like his brother-in-law, he enlisted in Aug 1918 and was out by Dec 1918 since the war ended. Oscar was born in Hope, Arkansas. Does that ring a bell? They moved from there to Shelby, TX before his father’s health made a move to the better climate of New Mexico desirable.

After their wedding, they didn’t waste time in starting their family with the arrival of Roy Elton Burns 1920, Dora Parilee Burns 1922, Oscar Franklin Burns Jr 1924, John Forrest Burns 1925, and Mary Elaine Burns 1926. Based on the birthplaces of the children, it looks like they moved to Arizona in 1920 and then California about 1923 after the birth of Dora and before the birth of Oscar. Jr. Per the Census, they had been married 11 years which suggests that they may have married in 1919 instead of 1920. They were renting their house in LA at 3612 11th



Ave and paying \$28/month. They didn’t own a radio. Oscar was a route salesman for a dry-cleaning company. That address maps to an area SW of downtown and is a parking garage today. I couldn’t resist this aerial of that address showing Angel City Pitbulls next to the Stray Cat Alliance. An odd mix, I would say. It also confirms his status as a veteran of WW1.

On day, at about 4:20 in the morning of March 9, 1916, Pancho Villa’s 600 plus bandits raided Columbus, N. M. and the Army’s Camp Furlong.

Eight soldiers, 10 civilians and 200 Villistas were killed. The flight was mostly in the business district, where most of the buildings were broken into and looted.

My brother, Oscar Burns, was up early that morning and ran into the house, very excited, to tell us that the sky over Columbus was ablaze with fire.

I still remember vividly that morning as our entire family watched the flames, while the town of Columbus was being raided and burnt down by Pancho Villa’s men. They burnt down buildings and killed people and fled.

A very dear friend of our, Rachael Graves, and her husband were in Columbus on their honeymoon. The bandits kicked their hotel door down, entered the room and took him. She held onto him, screaming and begging. They shot him at the head of the stairway as she looked on.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head	Home Owned or Rented	Home Value	Home	Radio Set	Lives on Farm	Gender	Race	Age	Year of Birth	Marital Status	Marriage	First School	Attended and Write	Birthplace	Father's Birthplace	Mother's Birthplace	Occupation	
1930 Census	3612 11th Ave		Los Angeles, California																	
Burns	Oscar F	Head	Rented	28	No	No		Male	White	33	1897	Married		22 No	Yes	Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas	Dry Cleaning Route s	
Burns	Mary E	Wife						Female	White	32	1898	Married		21 No	Yes	New Mexico	Texas	Texas		
Burns	Roy E	Son						Male	White	9	1921	Single		Yes		Arizona	Arkansas	New Mexico		
Burns	Dora P	Daughter						Female	White	7	1923	Single		Yes		Arizona	Arkansas	New Mexico		
Burns	Oscar F	Son						Male	White	6	1924	Single		Yes		California	Arkansas	New Mexico		
Burns	John F	Son						Male	White	4	1926	Single		No		California	Arkansas	New Mexico		
Burns	Mary E	Daughter						Female	White	3	1927	Single		No		California	Arkansas	New Mexico		

California must not have agreed with them because in 1940, they were back in Arizona, this time in Phoenix and living at 1125 West Camelback Rd. They were renting and paying \$18/month. Oscar was a salesman for an ice company. You can see their education levels in the census below and by this time, everyone was more educated than dear old dad. The two youngest must have been near enough in age that they ended up in the same grade. All of the children are still at home and range in age from 13 to 19. The

oldest, Roy was an apprentice at a neon sign company. It looks like a school athletic field today. The census also indicates that they had been in Phoenix as early as 1935.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Gender	Race	Age	Birth Year	Marital Status	Attended School	Highest Grade Completed	Birthplace	Citizenship	City in 1935	Occupation
1940 Census		1125 West Camelback	Maricopa	Rented	18								
Burns	Oscar F	Head	Male	White	43	1897	Married	No	Elementary school, 7th grade	Tennessee			Salesman - Ice CO
Burns	Mary E	Wife	Female	White	42	1898	Married	No	High School, 4th year	Kentucky			
Burns	Roy	Son	Male	White	19	1921	Single	No	High School, 4th year	Arizona			Apprentice
Burns	Dora	Daughter	Female	White	17	1923	Single	Yes	High School, 3rd year	Arizona			
Burns	Oscar	Son	Male	White	15	1925	Single	Yes	Elementary school, 8th grade	Arizona			
Burns	John Forrest	Son	Male	White	14	1926	Single	Yes	Elementary school, 7th grade	Arizona			
Burns	Mary	Daughter	Female	White	13	1927	Single	Yes	Elementary school, 7th grade	Arizona			

With three draft age sons, the war years look like they could be a challenge. Sure enough, So Roy enlisted in the Army Air Force in Sep 1942. In Oct 1940, Daughter Dora at 18 married William Allen who was 21 and from Phoenix. They had a daughter Barbara Jean in California and then William disappears. I have sent a message to DHayes who appears to be Dora's granddaughter to see if she can shed any light on this. Oscar Jr enlisted in the Army in May 1943 and Served until Feb 1946. John Forrest registered in 1943, but I have not found evidence that he was ever drafted. Finally, daughter Mary married Charles Maltbie in 1946 after his return from submarine duty during the war. Everyone seems to have survived the war. I'm still sorting out grandchild for this group It appears that Oscar Jr had a couple of kids in 1945 and 1948 and Dora had the one daughter in 1941. There are a bunch more that were born after 1950 and as we get closer to the present time it starts getting harder to verify all of these. I will leave all of the digging until I do the next generation but to date, I have identified at least 16 grandchildren but there are a lot of moving pieces.

Oscar registered for the WW2 Old Mans Draft at which time he lived at 1214 W. Jefferson which is the same as his census address. He worked for the Delno Ice Company at 19th and Spruce. He was 5'-7 1/2' - 135 lbs. - gray eyes - black hair and ruddy complexion. Oscar must have bought the ice business after the war. In 1950, he owned an ice business and Mary was a Census enumerator. Their son John was working for his dad at the ice plant.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Race	Gender	Age	Birth Date	Marital Status	Birth Place	Citizenship	Hours Worked	Occupation	Industry	Worked Same r Class House
1950 Census		1214 W Jefferson	Phoenix, Maricopa, Arizona										
Burns	Oscar	Head	White Male	53	1897	Married	Arkansas			30	Proprietor	Ice & * Lot	Own Business
Burns	Mary E	Wife	White Female	52	1898	Married	New Mexico			50	Comm Enumerator	U. S. Census Bureau	Government
Burns	John F	Son	White Male	24	1926	Never Married	California			40	Truck Driver	Ice Plant	Private Yes

I know at this time that Roy served in the Airforce in WW2 and Korea. He married a German woman in 1954 and they had at least one daughter, Judy. I have not confirmed if Dora had any more children. Oscar Jr. seems to have had a 2nd marriage and had three additional children in the 1950's and 1960. John Forrest seems to have married in 1950 and had three children and then married a 2nd time in 1957 and had 3 more. Mary seems to have had 3 children with Charles Maltbie

Oscar died in Phoenix in July 1970 and his obituary is here:

Oscar F. Burns Services for Oscar F. Burns, 74, who owned the Oscar Burns Ice and Fuel Co. in Phoenix from 1934 to 1949, will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Mortensen - Kings Funeral Center, 1020 W. Washington. Burial will be in Memory Lawn Memorial Park. Mr. Burns, 1127 E. Butler, died Friday at the Phoenix Veterans Hospital.

He was born in Arkansas. He came here 36 years ago and was a member of Luke - Greenway American Legion Post as a veteran of World War I. Survivors include his wife, Mary; two sons, John F. and Roy E., both of Phoenix; two daughters, Mrs. Dora Dawes of Payson and Mrs. Mary Wolf of Phoenix; one brother, Alva J. of Phoenix; six sisters, Mrs. Carrie Hawks of Tucson, Mrs. Bernice Hillburn of Superior, and four out of state; 17 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

He mentions 17 grandchildren in 1970 so it appears that I have a little work to do before the next generation.

Dora died in Payson in 1982 and her obituary reads:

PAYSON Mary E. Burns, 84, a former employee of the Maricopa County licensing department, died Sept. 6, 1982, in Lewis R. Pyle Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Burns was born in Alamogordo, N.M., and moved to Phoenix in 1934. She became a charter member of the Payson Christian Church when she moved to Payson in 1977. She is survived by her daughters, Dora Dawes Lange; sons, Roy and John; 17 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren. Services will be 10 a.m. Friday in the Payson Christian Church.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Friday at Memory Lawn Cemetery. Payson Funeral Home made arrangements.

Children of Dora and Oscar

195	Roy Elton Burns	1920	1984	Mary and Oscar's child#1
196	Dora Parilee Burns	1922	2007	Mary and Oscar's child#2
197	Oscar Franklin Burns Jr	1924	1968	Mary and Oscar's child#3
198	John Forrest Burns	1925	1987	Mary and Oscar's child#4
199	Mary Elaine Burns	1926	2012	Mary and Oscar's child#5

54. Benjamin Vernon Hudman 12 MAY 1899 • High Rolls, NM - 3 SEP 1961 • High Rolls, Otero, NM
 Ruby Scott 12 OCT 1902 • Mayhill, Otero, NM - 28 OCT 1999 • Alamogordo, Otero, NM
 Marriage: 4 Sep 1921 • Mountain Park, NM



Photo of Benjamin and Ruby from Ancestry posted by multiple people/

Benjamin was the 8th child of Sophronia and Benjamin though not a Jr, he was obviously named after his father. He came right after three sisters in a row so his parents were probably pleased for another boy. After his father's death in 1919, it seemed to fall on his shoulders to put things together and take care of his widowed mother in the immediate aftermath. Once thing settled down, he married Ruby Scott in 1921. Ruby was the 2nd oldest child of Jasper and Mary Barkley Scott. Both of here parents were from Texas, but they moved out to New Mexico before their first child was born in 1901. They began their family shortly after their wedding with the arrival of Eric Newton Hudman 1922, Leona Lenore Hudman 1923, and Ina Hudman 1926.

They felt like that was enough and didn't have any more. That seems to out of character for a Hudman. The 1930 Census found them still in Mayhill and Ben was working for the State Highway Department as a truck driver. They were renting whatever place they lived in which was not a farm. They did not have a radio. The had been married for 8 years which sort of supports the reported 1921 wedding date. The kids were 3, 6, and 7 with an older brother and two little sisters.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head	Home Owned	Home Rented	Home Value	Radio Set	Lives on Farm	Gender	Race	Age	Year	Estimated Birth	Marital Status	Marriage	Age at First	Attended School	Read and Write	Birthplace	Father's Birthplace	Mother's Birthplace	Occupation	
1930 Census	Mayhill town				Mayhill, Otero, New Mexico																	
Hudman	B V	Head		Rented		10 No	No	Male	White	30	1900	Married			22 No	Yes		New Mexico	Texas	Texas	truck Driver	
Hudman	Ruby L	Wife						Female	White	27	1903	Married			19 No	Yes		New Mexico	Texas	Texas		
Hudman	Eric N	Son						Male	White	7	1923	Single				Yes	Yes	New Mexico	New Mexico	New Mexico		
Hudman	Leona L	Daughter						Female	White	6	1924	Single				No	No	New Mexico	New Mexico	New Mexico		
Hudman	Ina M	Daughter						Female	White	3	1927	Single				No	No	New Mexico	New Mexico	New Mexico		

During the 1920's Ben became a dairy farmer and they moved to High Rolls. They owned their farm and it was worth \$600. Ruby was working at the public school in some capacity and the kids were all in high school. Ben had only gone through 8th grade, but Ruby had gone through 3 years of high school, but her kids were about to surpass her.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Gender	Race	Age	Year	Birth	Marital Status	Attended School	Highest Grade Completed	Birthplace	Citizenship	City in 1935	Occupation	Industry
1940 Census							High Rolls Owned			600					
Hudman	Vern	Head	Male	White	41	1899	Married	No		Elementary school, 8th grade	New Mexico			High Rolls Farmer	Dry Faim
Hudman	Ruby	Wife	Female	White	40	1903	Married	No		High School, 3rd year	New Mexico			High Rolls Junior Work	Public School
Hudman	Erie	Son	Male	White	17	1923	Single	Yes		High School, 3rd year	New Mexico			High Rolls School	
Hudman	Leona	Daughter	Female	White	16	1924	Single	Yes		High School, 3rd year	New Mexico			High Rolls School	
Human	Ina	Daughter	Female	White	13	1927	Single	Yes		High School, 1st year	New Mexico			High Rolls School	

When Ben registered for the WW2 Old Man's Draft in 1942, he had taken a job as a road maintenance supervisor for the US Forest Service. He was 42 and lived one mile south of High Rolls, NM. He was 6'-0"-150lbs-blue eye-brown hair-ruddy complexion and had a prominent scar on the back and right side of his neck. Must be an interesting story there. Apparently, he was still farming as I ran across an article about him finding a way to increase the productivity of his fruit trees by using a terracing technique being advocated by the local soil conservation district. His son Eric did not seem to have been drafted. He had been married and divorced before 1950 at which time he was living with his younger married sister, Leanore. She had married James McKenzie at a yet to be determined date but it was as early as 1942. James was driving a truck delivering gasoline and Eric was working at a service station. James enlisted in the Army in 1942 and spent the war in the Italian campaign driving trucks before returning safely to his bride. Ina married William Wohlenberg in 1946 after his return from a stint in the Marines include a year overseas. I'm a little confused about Eric. While he lists himself as divorced in 1950, his ex-wife, Marie Hawkins lists herself as separated and they would later go on to have a daughter in 1951. Perhaps I will get this clarified in the next generation.

Meanwhile back to Ben and Ruby. Ben had taken a job as a school bus driver and Ruby's aging parents had moved in with them. There is an article about Ben and Ruby hosting their kids for the 1948 Christmas celebration. Her parents had celebrated their 50th Anniversary in 1949 with a huge surprise celebration that has an interesting biography about their lives which I will not include here, but is available on Newspapers.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Race	Gender	Age	Birth Date	Marital Status	Birth Place	Citizenship	Hours Worked	Occupation	Industry
1950 Census	Karr Canyon Road		High Rolls, Otero, New Mexico									
Hudman	B Vernon	Head	White	Male	50	1900	Married	New Mexico		40	School Bus Driver	County School
Hudman	Ruby L	Wife	White	Female	47	1903	Married	New Mexico				
Scott	Jasper N	Father-In-Law	White	Male	76	1874	Married	Texas				
Scott	Mary E	Mother-In-Law	White	Female	72	1878	Married	Texas				

Ben died in 1961 and my records indicate that he and Ruby had 7 grandchildren born between 1951 and 1956. I seem to have captured all of these. Ben's obituary is below.

B. V. HUDMAN *Hudman Rites On Tuesday Funeral services are planned for Tuesday morning for Benjamin Vernon Hudman, 62, a lifelong resident of Otero county who died at Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital Sunday only a few minutes after reaching the hospital from his High Rolls home. Today, Sept. 4, would have been Mr. and Mrs. Hudman's 40th wedding anniversary, Well-known throughout the area, Hudman had been an employe of the Forest Service for 12 years, and also drove a school bus from High Rolls to Alamogordo for a number of years. Friends may call at the Mullins-Hamilton Funeral Home today from: 2 until 4 p.m. and from 7 until 9 p.m. Services will be held at the Mullins-Hamilton chapel at 10 a.m.*

tomorrow, with Melton Bruster of the Cuba Avenue Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in Monte Vista Cemetery here, with Eldon Vann, James C. Holley, Don Schultz, Lester Millhouse, Bill Russell and Les Fleming serving as pallbearers.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Ruby Scott Hudman of High Rolls; one son, Eric N. Hudman of La Luz; two daughters, Mrs. James D. McKenzie of Alamogordo and Mrs. William E. Wohlenberg of Las Cruces; seven grandchildren; two brothers, Earl Hudman of Alamogordo and Vaughn Hudman of Laytonville, Calif.; and three sisters, Mrs. Lois Billups Tularosa, Mrs. Ollie Zenker of Mt. Shasta, Calif. and Mrs. Mary Burn of Phoenix, Ariz.

Ruby who was 58 when Ben died, lived 38 years as a widow before dying in Alamogordo in 1999. I have been unable to find her obituary.

Children of Benjamin and Ruby

1072	200	Eric Newton Hudman	1922	2000	Ben and Ruby's Child#1
1073	201	Leona Lenore Hudman	1923	2012	Ben and Ruby's Child#2
1074	202	Ina Hudman	1927		Ben and Ruby's Child#3

55. Vaughn Frederick Hudman 25 APR 1901 • Otero County, NM - 19 OCT 1975 • Laytonville, CA
Marylou Allen ABT 1912 • New Mexico - DEATH Unknown
Marriage: 13 Dec 1932 • Los Angeles, CA



Vaughn from DHayes on FamilySearch – Marylou and her mother, Mary Scott, Vaughn and their children and nephew Arthur.

Vaughn was the 9th and final child of Benjamin and Sophronia. He was the only one born in the 20th Century. His father died when he was 18 and in 1920, he was helping his older brother and widowed mother manage the farm.

In 1930, Vaugh was living in Pasadena, California with his widowed mother and living with them was his widowed sister-in-law, Ophelia (Eddy Emmett's wife) and her son Arthur (pictured above). Vaughn was working as a mailman in Pasadena. He lived at 2089 East Colorado which he rented for \$25/mo. He was 28 and his mother was 70.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head or Rented	Value	Set	Farm	Gender	Race	Age	Year	Marital Status	Marriage	School	Write	Birthplace	Birthplace	Birthplace	Occupation
1930 Census	2089 East Colorado Street	Pasadena, Los Angeles, California															
Hudman	Vaughn F	Head	Rented	25	No	No	Male	White	28	1902	Single	No	Yes	New Mexico	Texas	Texas	Mail-carrier
Hudman	Sophonria	Mother					Female	White	70	1860	Widowed	No	Yes	Texas	Georgia	Alabama	
Hudman	Ophelia R	Sister-In-Law	Emmett Eddie's widow				Female	White	25	1905	Widowed	No	Yes	Texas	Texas	Texas	Servant
Hudman	Arthur V	Nephew	Emmett Eddie's son				Male	White	1	1929	Single	No		California	New Mexico	Texas	

In 1932, he married Marylou Allen and she is somewhat complicated, so let me do my best to unravel her lineage. Her mother was Mary J. Scott who was the sister of Bessie Scott. You probably don't recall, but Bessie was Jesse Earl Hudman's wife. Jesse was Vaughn's oldest brother so Bessie was his sister-in-law so Mary's daughter, Marylou Allen would have been Vaughn's cousin. An analogy in my family would be if Uncle JR Bills's wife Imogene had a sister (which she did) and that sister had a daughter (which she did), then my father would have married that daughter (Mary Beth Hester) and our lives would have been different. Sorry about that diversion. It's tricky figuring some of this stuff out.



Anyway, her mother seems to have married Dee Willis Allen quite young, and then they separated after having birthed Marylou and she married William Washington Wossum before 1920 and had a son, William Cleo Wossum, with him. By 1930, she was back with her first husband, Dee Willis Allen, after the death of William Wossum in 1920. The 1940 Census found Vaughn and Marylou and their newly arrived children, Laura Llewellyn Hudman 1933 and Rosemary Hudman 1937. His nephew Arthur was still with them as Arthur's mother had remarried and returned to Texas. Also present were Marylou's parents. Vaughn was still working as a mailman. You can see their education levels below. They lived at 400 North Sierra Madre Blvd and owned their house which was worth \$6000. Here it is today right at the corner of IH210 and San Gabriel Blvd. His father-in-law was working as a foreman and his mother-in-law was a nurse. His girls were too young to have started school, but nephew Arthur had finished 3rd grade.



Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Gender	Race	Age	Birth Year	Marital Status	Attended School	Highest Grade Completed	Birthplace	Citizenship	City in 1935	Occupation
1940 Census	400 North Sierra Madre Blvd	Pasadena, Owned			6000								
Hudman	Vaughn F	Head	Male	White	38	1902	Married	No	High School, 2nd year	New Mexico		Pasadena	Mail Carrier
Hudman	Marylou	Wife	Female	White	28	1912	Married	No	High School, 1st year	New Mexico		Pasadena	
Hudman	Llewellyn	Daughter	Female	White	6	1934	Single	Yes	None	California		Pasadena	
Hudman	Rose Mary	Daughter	Female	White	3	1937	Single	No	None	California			
Hudman	Arthur V	Nephew	Male	White	11	1929	Single	Yes	Elementary school, 3rd grade	California		Roswell	
Allen	D W	Father-in-law	Male	White	49	1891	Married	No	Elementary school, 8th grade	Texas		Elk	Forman
Allen	Mary J	Mother-in-law	Female	White	45	1895	Married	No	High School, 4th year	New York		Weed	Nurse

It is a little unclear what happened to Marylou, but by all indications, she didn't take to motherhood. In 1947 when the girls were 13 and 10, she was reportedly in Reno and filing for divorce from Vaughn. Since the girls show up with Vaughn in the 1950 Census, that does not bode well. Vaughn's WW2 Registration is not dated, but it was probably 1942 in the old mans draft. He still lived at the same address and was still carrying the mail. He was a big man at 6'-4" – 175lbs – blue eyes – brown hair – ruddy complexion. I'm not sure when nephew Arthur left the nest, but in 1944 he enlisted in the Navy while living in Carlsbad, NM. This left Vaughn and the girls in Lake California where Vaughn had left the mail service and gone to work at a lumber mill. I cannot find Lake, but Mendocino County is where the city of Ukiah is located and that is where we will see a lot of him in the future. It is north of Sacramento. His daughters were teenagers and probably both in high school.

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Race	Gender	Age	Birth Date	Marital Status	Birth Place	Citizenship	Hours Worked	Occupation	Industry	Other
1950 Census		From Longvale Coming Down 101 Highway T				Little Lake, Mendocino, California							
Hudman	Vaughn	Head	White	Male	49	1901	Divorced	New Mexico		48	Grader & Salling	Lumber Mill	P
Hudman	Laura	Daughter	White	Female	16	1933	Never Married	(California					
Hudman	Rose	Daughter	White	Female	14	1936	Never Married	(California					C

The year 1954 found Vaughn being sworn in as a Constable in Ukiah. He was 53 at this time. As a constable, there are quite a few news articles that pop up about him. In 1959, he was in a wreck where he was blinded by some oncoming headlights and left the road and ran into a bank. In 1963, he got a service award at work. Through the 1960's he seemed to be very active in the local IOOF Chapter servicing as an officer on various occasions. That's the International Order of Oddfellows. In 1966 when he was 65, he ran for reelection as constable and won. In 1973, he got another service award but shortly thereafter he resigned his position as constable due to health issues and in 1975, he passed away. His daughter Laura was appoiner as the executor.

As far as the girls – As far I know that Laura married Clifford Wormington in 1950 and had a couple of kids in 1954 and 1959. She married later in life after Clifford's death. I have not found anything definitive on Rose apart from the fact that she graduated from High School in 1954. I'm also frustrated by the disappearance of Marylou, but will continue searching.

Children of Vaughn and Marylou Hudman

203	Laura Llewellyn Hudman	1933	Vaughn and Mary's child#1
204	Rosemary Hudman	1940	Vaughn and Mary's child#2

This ends the Sophronia and Benjamin Hudman saga for this generation. It will be continued with the review of the next generation. My current count for their grandchildren is 28.

Enjoy this edition and if you have any corrections, photos, etc. do not hesitate to contact me at rbills_houston@yahoo.com. I've met several new cousins online that are providing priceless information.