

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.

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 an 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.

Children of Jesse Earl and Bessie Hudman

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

179. Jesse Luther Hudman 16 NOV 1920 • Russia Canyon, NM - 27 MAR 2015 • Alamogordo, NM
 Clotha Willa Mae Fuller 28 APR 1929 • Siloam Springs, Ark - 29 JUN 2012 • Alamogordo, NM
 Marriage: 27 Jan 1947 • Raton, NM



Jesse and Clotha's obituary photos.

Jesse Luther was the oldest child of Jesse and Bessie Scott Hudman. His obituary below is very complete so I will not add a lot. I may have a few comments at the end on both Jesse and Clotha. He was the oldest son of an oldest son in his family line.

Jesse Hudman Obituary

Jesse Luther Hudman was born on Nov. 16, 1920, to Jesse Earl Hudman and Bessie Amanda Scott Hudman. He was born at the family home in Russia Canyon near Cloudcroft. He was the oldest of six children that consisted of four brothers and one sister. He attended school in Russia Canyon and Cloudcroft where he graduated as salutatorian of his 1939 class and was also a member of the winning team of the New Mexico State Championship in six-man football.

He began his life after school at an early age by working as a rancher and a dairy hand at Leon Green's dairy in Cox Canyon. The family was farmers and ranchers. Jesse did his part by helping with ranch chores, loading the truck with produce, traveling the southern part of New Mexico and some of west

Texas, selling produce and even trading produce for other things the family would like. He later tried his luck as a lumberjack and there he met and married Clotha Willa Mae Fuller on Jan. 27, 1947, in Raton. They came back to the ranch and started a family. Jesse and Clotha had four children -- all girls -- Carolyn Elaine, Viola Kay, Janet Lee and Wanda Fay. Jesse helped to construct tracks and build a landing where the train "The Cloud Climbing Railroad" could go up the hill from Alamogordo. It went as far as Old Wooten where it had to back onto the landing they built and make a fast run to the top of the mountain at Cloudcroft.

He was a cowboy, an excellent horseman, garage owner and mechanic. He worked for 26 years at "Land Air" Dynalectron Corporation at Holloman Air Force Base. Later in life he became a real estate agent and was New Mexico's Realtor of the Year in 1989. He was inducted by the Cloudcroft Historical Society in 2005 as an honoree of the Old Timers Reunion held in Cloudcroft every year. The village of Cloudcroft declared May 7, 2005 to be "Jesse Luther Hudman Day" in his honor.

Jesse is preceded in death by his parents Jesse Earl and Bessie A. Hudman, his wife of 65 years Clotha Hudman, daughter Carolyn Van Cleave, brother-in-law Harold Jr. Fuller, son-in-law William "Pete" Shockey, granddaughter Jessica Leigh Scott, great-granddaughter Angela Sage Van Cleave, and brothers, Aril Edward Hudman, Emmitt Hudman and William Scott (Bill) Hudman.

His surviving family consists of brother Lee Hudman, sister Frances Wallace Young, daughter Viola Martin and her husband Harold O Martin of Arkansas; daughter Janet Derrick and her husband Donald of Mayhill; daughter and long-time loving and patient caregiver Wanda Shockey. Mr. Hudman had 18 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

The family will greet friends from 5-7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 1, 2015, at Hamilton-O'Dell Funeral Home Chapel. Memorial services for Jesse Hudman will be conducted at 10 a.m., Thursday, April 2, 2015, at Bethel Baptist Church, 1316 Scenic Drive, Alamogordo, with Eddie Coleman officiating.

Pallbearers are Kelly Van Cleave, Rodger Van Cleave, Kenneth Shockey, Wayne Shockey, Gary Shockey and Michael Smith. Honorary pallbearers will be Jesse's remaining grandkids, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren and his special friends that took him to coffee each day and to VFW breakfasts every Saturday morning.

Burial will follow at Monte Vista Cemetery. The family will receive family and friends at 3306 Robert H. Bradley Drive. The Hudman family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Hamilton-O'Dell Funeral Home to direct the funeral services.

Clotha Hudman Obituary

Clotha Hudman, 83, passed away Friday, June 29, 2012, in Alamogordo. She was born April 28, 1929, in Siloam Springs, Ark., to John Henry and Cora Isabel (Essman) Fuller. She married Jesse L. Hudman in Raton, on Jan. 21, 1947. The following spring, they moved home to the ranch in Cloudcroft. They lived there one year. In the fall of 1947, they made their home in Alamogordo.

She loved to plant flowers every spring, especially roses, tomatoes, squash and peppers. She loved her family and was at many of her grandchildren's sporting events. Her favorite time of year was the holidays when she baked for her family. She was the foundation of her family and never closed her door to anyone. She always enjoyed riding in the mountains and visiting the ranch where her husband grew up.

Clotha and Jesse helped raise her siblings, upon the death of her mother, while raising their own children with love. After the death of their first daughter, Carolyn, they again took in their grandchildren and raised them as their own.

She is survived by her husband, Jesse L. Hudman; her daughters Viola Martin and husband, Harold, of Ashdown, Ark., Janet Derrick and husband, Donald, of Mayhill, and Wanda Shockey, of Alamogordo; 11 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and a brother, Jimmy Fuller, of Porterville, Calif.

She was preceded in death by her daughter Carolyn VanCleave; son-in-law Pete Shockey; granddaughter Jessica Scott; great-granddaughter Sage VanCleave; three brothers; and three sisters.

Funeral services for Clotha Willa Mae Hudman will be 10 a.m. Thursday, July 5, 2012, at Bethel Baptist Church, 1316 Scenic Dr., Alamogordo with Eddie Coleman officiating. Interment will follow at Monte Vista Cemetery. A reception will follow at Bethel Baptist Church

The family will greet friends on Thursday, July 5, 2012 from 9 a.m. until the service time at the church. Should friends desire, contributions may be made to Barbara Hudman Diabetes Walk, c/o Fraternal Order of Eagles, 471 24th St., Alamogordo, NM 88310.

The Hudman family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Hamilton-O'Dell Funeral Home to direct the funeral services.

Items that I picked up that are alluded to, but not detailed in the obituary include the following facts. In 1942 when he was 21, he registered for the WW2 Draft. He gave his mother as his point of contact and was working for Prestridge Lumber Co in Alamogordo. He was 6'-3"-180lbs-gray eyes-brown hair-ruddy complexion. No mention is made of military service in his obituary and I find no records of any so I am assuming that he did not serve.

All of their children were born in Alamogordo and include Carolyn Elaine Hudman - 1947-1976, Viola K Hudman 1949-2022, Janet Hudman 1952, and Wanda F Hudman 1954. Daughter Carolyn married Walter Mack Van Cleve about 1968 and they had 4 sons and a daughter in fairly short order when in Mar 1976 while driving in a 57 Chevy Pickup, she lost control and drove off the road. She rolled over and was killed leaving her husband with 5 young children. From the comments in Clotha's obituary, it sounds as though these children ended up being raised by Jesse and Clotha.

Daughter Viola's obituary from very recently is here: **Viola Kay Hudman Martin**, born April 10, 1949 in Alamogordo, New Mexico to Jesse and Clotha Hudman, passed from this world on July 12, 2022 at her home with her loving family near her. She is preceded in death by her daughter, Jessica Martin Scott; her parents, Jesse and Clotha; and her sister, Carolyn Hudman Van Cleave. Viola is survived by her husband of 51 years, Harold A. Martin of Ashdown, AR; daughters, Stephanie Reed and husband Darrell of Clare- more, OK, Tammi Anderson and husband Bobby of Ashdown, AR; son, Harold A. Martin and wife Starla, also of Ashdown; her two sisters, Janet Derrick and Wanda Shockey.

She is also survived by her grandchildren, Andrew, Campbell, Teresa, Joshua, Caron, Jake, Jasper, Jakota, Samantha, Caleb, Breonna, Kaylee, and Kiden; as well as great grandchildren, Paisley, Piper, Liam, Storm, Lane, Gunner, Jace, Josie, Jayleigh, Jaspen, Kye, Joseph, Kylan, Parker, and Aria. She also has numerous nieces, nephews and cousins that she leaves behind. Viola was a Christian and loved her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. She was a member of First Assembly of God in Ashdown. She was a member of the Praise and Worship Team for the last 20 years and was known to have one of the most beautiful singing voices.

She was an avid outdoors woman and loved hunting, fishing and camping with her family, but most of all, with her husband. Viola was deeply loved by everyone who knew her. She was taken away too soon, but she is now in Heaven with her Lord and family who went before her. We will rejoice when we are reunited with her in Heaven. Visitation will be held on Thursday, July 14, 2022 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm at Madden Funeral Home in Ashdown.

Services will be Friday, July 15, 2022 at First Assembly of God with Bro. Joe Martinez officiating. Mrs. Martin will also have a visitation at Alamogordo Funeral Home on Monday, July 18, 2022 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm and be laid to rest at Monte Vista Cemetery in Alamogordo, New Mexico at 3:00 pm. The Martin family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Alamogordo Funeral Home to direct the services.

Daughter Janet married Donald Derrick in Alamogordo in 1970. He worked for the Forest Service at the time. No Derrick grandchildren were mentioned in either obituary. Daughter Wanda married William True Shockey in 1971 and he died young in 2009. His obituary is here:

William Shockey Obituary

William T. "Pete" Shockey, 59, a longtime resident of Alamogordo, died Thursday, Feb. 19, 2009, in Alamogordo. Pete was born Jan. 30, 1950, in Santa Fe, and had lived in Alamogordo since 1956. He graduated from Alamogordo High School in 1968 and became a technician for Sears where he worked for

19 years. He then was employed by Charles Rivers Laboratories at Holloman Air Force Base where he also worked for 19 years until his medical retirement.

Pete was a very involved volunteer, especially with children, as a 4-H leader with La Luz 4-H Club, the Alamogordo Public Schools track teams, as a coach and assistant with the Youth Soccer League for his sons, over 29 years as a volunteer with the 4-H and FFA programs, and a member of the Fair Board since 2003. He was an honorary member of both the Alamogordo and Carrizozo FFA Chapters, and a member of the Foundation Beefmasters Association. In 2002 he was inducted into the Junior Livestock Ring of Honor by the Otero County Fair Association. Pete particularly loved hunting with his sons.

Survivors include his wife of 37 years, Wanda Shockey, of the family home; three sons, Kenneth Shockey of Alamogordo, Wayne Shockey and his wife Jean of Ruidoso, and Gary Shockey of Alamogordo; one grandson Caden Shockey of Alamogordo; his parents, Jim and Ouita Shockey of Alamogordo; two brothers, Jerry Shockey and his wife Mary of Bloomfield, New Mexico, and Jay Shockey and his wife Maria of Mandeville, Louisiana; his father and mother-in-law, Jesse and Clotha Hudman of Alamogordo; two sisters-in-law, Viola Martin and her husband Harold of Arkansas, and Janet Derrick and her husband Donald of Mayhill; and numerous nieces, nephews and other extended family who loved him greatly.

A memorial service will be conducted Monday at 2:00 p.m. at Grace United Methodist Church, 16th St. and Cuba Ave., with the Rev. Dr. Steve Trout officiating. Cremation has taken place and services are under the direction of Hamilton-O'Dell Funeral Home. Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Pete Shockey Memorial Scholarship Fund at the New Mexico State University-Alamogordo Foundation, 2400 N. Scenic Dr., Alamogordo 88310.

From this we learn that they had 3 sons, and from Jesse's obituary, we recall daughter and long-time loving and patient caregiver Wanda Shockey must have taken care of her parents as they aged.

I spent a fair amount of time researching Clotha, but her family records are somewhat confusing. She was supposedly born in 1929 so she should appear in the 1930 Census, but she does not and the 1940 Census for her family has not been found. She was born to John Henry and Cora Isabel (Essman) Fuller and appears to have had the following siblings: Blanche Irene Fuller 1920–1981, Harold (Haril) Fuller, 1922–1980, Erma Lee Fuller 1925–2003, Dorothy J Fuller 1927–???, and Kenneth Fuller 1937–2002

Children of Jesse and Clotha Hudman

451	Carolyn Elaine Hudman	1947	1976	Jesse and Clotha Child#1
452	Viola K Hudman	1949	2022	Jesse and Clotha Child#2
453	Janet Hudman	1952		Jesse and Clotha Child#3
454	Wanda Fay Hudman	1954		Jesse and Clotha Child#4

451 Carolyn Hudman 25 OCT 1947 • Alamogordo, NM - 19 MAR 1976 • Tularosa, NM

Walter Mac VanCleave 9 OCT 1945 • Ohio - 5 OCT 2016 • Tucson, AZ

Marriage: 1968 Alamogordo, NM – Divorce: 10 Nov 1974 • Alamogordo, NM



The first mention of Carolyn is her birth announcement in Alamogordo on 25 Oct 1947. She was followed by Viola in 1949, Janet in 1952, and Wanda in 1954. The next mention of Carolyn comes in 1965 when she graduated from Alamogordo HS and a congratulations ad with the photo at left appeared in the paper which was also her senior picture in her yearbook.

I'm not sure what she did between 1965 and 1969 as I did not find a wedding announcement for her, but around 1968, she married Walter Mack VanCleave. He appears to have been the youngest son of Charles Allan VanCleave (1900–1981) and Osa Anna Orr (1907–1981). His dad was from Missouri and his mother from Roswell, NM and in 1950 his dad was laying pipe for the water department in Roswell, NM. I have not found a photo of Walter, but his father seemed to have moved around a bit. He had the following siblings - Frances Nadean Van Cleave 1932, Velma M. Van Cleave 1935, Betty Bernice Van Cleave 1936–2011, Edgar Allen Van Cleave 1939–1939, Luanna Joy Van Cleave

1943, and Steve Van Cleave 1951–1979 who served in Vietnam only to die in a motorcycle accident after his return. This article gives some information about his family and some of his sister's married names.

The Charles Van Cleave's have just hosted a family reunion that was quite large. The reunion was combined with a son's leaving for Vietnam, E5 Steve Van Cleave who was home on leave for thirty days. All of the Van Cleave's children were home except one. The reunion was held in the Alamogordo Women's Club building.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. James Wills and daughters Mary Ann and Ruthie from Ada, Okla. Mrs. Velma Jonkman from Anaheim, Calif. and children Jean and Jan; Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Guss and children, Marshall and Gwendolyn, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith and children, Carolyn, Pamela, Patsy, Delbert, Dwayne, Edward, Deborah and Charlene. A grandson and his wife, Allan and Connie Wills and children, James and Ray of Boles Acres were also there. Great-grandchildren included Visa Wills from Kansas and James and Ray from Boles Acres.

Walter and Carolyn had 4 children before divorcing in 1974 and then Carolyn had a tragic death.

Pickup's rollover fatal to driver

An Alamogordo woman was killed Friday evening when her pickup truck veered off the road and flipped on State Road 484, two miles west of Tularosa.

Mrs. Carolyn E. VanCleave, 28, of 710 College Ave., was pronounced dead at the scene of massive internal injuries, according to medical investigator Sam Conn. State Police officers said Mrs. VanCleave's 1957 Chevrolet pickup was headed west when she apparently struck a section of washboard road surface and lost control, swerving off the right side of the highway.

Reports indicated the victim was pinned between a door and the truck body as the vehicle rolled twice. Investigating the fatality were Officers Roger Tompkins and Doug Bowers, assisted by Lt. Jim Syling.

Funeral services for Mrs. VanCleave will be held at the Hamilton Funeral Home chapel at 2 p.m. Monday, with interment following at Monte Vista Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, Walter Mack VanCleave of Alamogordo; three sons, Kelley Raye VanCleave, Roger VanCleave and Walter Mack VanCleave, Jr., all of Alamogordo; one daughter, Sharon Lynn VanCleave of Alamogordo; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Hudman of Alamogordo; her paternal grandmother, Mrs. Bessie Hudman of Alamogordo; her maternal grandfather, John H. Fuller of Strathmore, CA; and three sisters, Mrs. Harold Martin of Alamogordo, Mrs. Janet Derrick of Mayhall, and Mrs. Wanda Shockey of Alamogordo.

Pallbearers will include Allen Wills, Jimmy Smith, Harold Fuller, Harold Martin, Donald Derrick and Wade Atkins. Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 and from 7-9 p.m. today and from 8 a.m. until service time Monday.

While Walter was mentioned in the obituary as a survivor, a month after her death he married Anita Warnick who was three years older and divorced from her first husband. That relationship did not last long, and in 1977 he got involved in a scheme of stealing trucks and driving them to other states to sell. He was involved with 4 other men in this venture and they were all arrested and spent a lot of time in court. He was next reported in 1989 getting married to a Julie Cox who was 22 years younger. I didn't explore her too much, but I don't think that they stayed married. Walter died in 2016 and his obituary does not shed much light on his life.

OBITUARY Walter Mac Van Cleave October 9, 1945 – October 5, 2016 IN THE CARE OF Desert Rose Heather Cremation & Burial Arrangements under the direction of Desert Rose Heather Cremation & Burial, Tucson, AZ.

Children of Carolyn Hudman and Walter Van Cleave

952	Kelley Ray Van Cleave	1967	Carolyn Hudman and Walter VanCleave child#1
953	Roger Van Cleave	1969	Carolyn Hudman and Walter VanCleave child#2
954	Walter Mac Van Cleave Jr	1970	Carolyn Hudman and Walter VanCleave child#3
955	Sharon Lynn Van Cleave	1972	Carolyn Hudman and Walter VanCleave child#4

A bit about the children that I discovered. I'm going to start with Roger because of the obituary of his daughter - Angela Sage Van Cleave.

***Angela Sage Van Cleave**, 17-year-old Alamogordo resident, died Sunday, June 27, 2004 in Las Cruces. Miss Van Cleave was born December 23, 1986 in Alamogordo the daughter of Rodger Van Cleave and Lori Bartlett Furr. There was never a person who met her that didn't fall in love with her. Love at first sight! She loved people and was pursuing a nursing degree, but she also enjoyed her alone time. Every chance she got she would escape to the mountains. She loved the outdoors and never minded getting dirty, just like the boys. She was a beautiful young lady from the inside-out. Sage was very loving, forgiving and content with her life. She never asked for much. She was a true example of a person who was able to love others, unconditionally.*

She is survived by her father Roger Van Cleave; her mother Lori and husband Dean Furr; a sister, Amity Furr, all of Alamogordo; grandparents, Susan Smith, Will Bartlett and Mac Van Cleave; great grandparents, Cecil Smith; and Jess and Clotha Hudman; aunts, Lebra Howard, Erica Elkins and Sharon Smith; uncles, Kelly Van Cleave and Mac Van Cleave; cousins, Michael Levi Howard and Mark Alan Najar; and fiancé, Douglas Dalton. She was preceded in death by grandmother; Carolyn Van Cleave and great grandmother Opal Smith.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, July 3, at the First Assembly Worship Center, 10th and Florida, with Pastor David Crispin and Reverend Wayne Bernard officiating. Friends may call Friday from 4 until 7 p.m. at Sears Alamogordo Funeral Home, 2301 First Street.

Pallbearers are Mark Alan Najar, Michael Levi Howard, Douglas Dalton, Kelly Van Cleave, Erica Elkins and David Dias. Honorary Pallbearers are Will Bartlett, Billy Elkins, Bill Smith, David Smith and Mac Van Cleave, Jr. Interment will follow in the Monte Vista Cemetery.

There is a lot of information to unwind here. At the time of her death, Jesse Luther and Clotha Hudman were still living. Her father, Roger had married and divorced Lori who has subsequently married Dean Furr and they had a daughter, Amity Furr. Other than Mark Van Cleave, I have not sorted out grandparents Susan Smith and Will Bartlett. I see her uncles Kelly and Mack. Roger's brothers. It also looks like her aunt Sharon has married someone named Smith.

Kelly Van Cleave is mentioned as an uncle. The only thing that I found on him is a marriage in 1987 to Lisa Branum and perhaps another marriage in 1996 to Shauna Joanne Riddle in Utah, but have no definitive confirmation.

As with Kelly, I have not found much information about Walter Jr. I was a little more successful with Sharon Van Cleave in that I found she Steve Smith in 1985 in Alamogordo when he was 20 and she 18. Interestingly, Steve was one of 7 children born to Robert and Bonnie Cartwright Smith and he had a younger brother named Alvie. At the time of Robert's death in 2012, Steve was no longer married to Sharon. She seems to have married Daniel Hambric. I've run across several articles about a race car driver named Daniel Hambric, but don't know if he is the same person. I'm a little uncertain about Sharon's birthday. When she married Dan Hambric, the paper reported her to be 35 to his 24 so I think that was a typo.

452. Viola Kay Hudman Martin 10 APR 1949 • Alamogordo, NM - 12 JULY 2022 • Ashdown, AR
 Harold A. Martin 28 JUL 1949 • Sevier County, Arkansas, USA - Death Living



Viola was the 2nd child born to Jesse and Clotha arriving in April 1949 in Alamogordo. I am going to begin her story with her obituary as it shares a lot of details.

***ASHDOWN – Viola Kay Hudman Martin**, born April 10, 1949 in Alamogordo, New Mexico to Jesse and Clotha Hudman, passed from this world on July 12, 2022 at her home with her loving family near her.*

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From this, we learn that Viola and Harold married about 1971. Searching the news, I was not able to find a notice of their marriage, but I did note that when her younger sister, Wanda got married in July 1981, she was Viola Martin. This led me to dig a little deeper and led me to a marriage license between Harold O. Martin and Viola Ketner in July 1971. There is a later article in 1975 where Viola Martin is seeking alimony from John Wesley Ketner. I cannot close this loop, but a few things come to mind. Viola's husband is Harold A. Martin. Ironically, he had a twin brother Harold O. Martin who died at birth. The date of the marriage license is 2 weeks before Wanda's wedding, so this could be our Viola. With the notice of the birth of Viola's first child in Nov 1971, it could well be that John Ketner was actually the father of that child. Interesting. The obituary lists her children as Jessica Scott who died before Viola, daughter Stephanie and husband Darrell, daughter Tammi and husband Bobby and son Harold A. Martin, Jr and wife Starla. Let me see what blanks I can fill in about the children.

Well, that search proved fruitful. I found the obituary of Jessica Scott and it confirms my suspicions. It reads:



Jessica Leigh Scott, of Las Cruces, died unexpectedly Friday, Oct. 21, 2011. She was born Feb. 6, 1967, in Tularosa to Wesley Ketner and Viola Hudman.

Jessica lived in Alamogordo until she attended New Mexico State University in Las Cruces for an associate's degree in nursing. She later received her Bachelor of Science in nursing. Jessica worked in the mother baby unit of Memorial Medical Center for 15 years as well as helped start and manage the Sexual Assault Examiners Program in Las Cruces. Jessica also worked for the Gadsden Independent School District.

Those left to mourn her passing include her loving husband of 20 years, Todd Scott; two sons, Andrew and Campbell; her father, Wesley Ketner, and wife, Reese; her mother, Viola Martin, and husband, Harold; her parents-in-law Ron and Susan Scott; and her siblings Stephanie Beach, Tammy Woods and Harold "Bro" Martin Jr. Other survivors include her grandparents Jess and Clotha Hudman, as well numerous nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Jessica was an enlightening human being who was known for her charisma, wit and humor and was most commonly known as "the life of the party." She had the innate ability to sense when someone needed a shoulder to cry on, an ear to listen or just a hug. Jessica loved to help those in need and touched many people's lives. Her heart was bigger than life. She will be missed by all of those who she came in contact with.

A memorial service was held Monday, Oct. 24, 2011, in Baca's Chapel of Prayer, 300 E. Boutz Road. Family and friends celebrated Jessica's life and shared her love following the memorial service.

Arrangements entrusted to Baca's Funeral Chapels and Baca's Sunset Crematory, (575) 527-2222, your exclusive providers of "Veterans Memorial Care."

From this, we learn that Viola did in fact have a first husband, Wesley Ketner before her 1971 marriage to Harold Martin. It appears from Jessica's wedding records that she took the surname Martin although her birth name was Ketner. She married Todd Scott in 1991 and they had 2 sons, Andrew and Campbell Scott. I have not been able to identify Wesley's 2nd wife Reese. We also learn that Todd's parents are Ron and Susan Scott and that he had two younger brothers, Brian and Ron Jr.

We also learn that she had sister's Stephanie married to someone named Beach, and Tammy married to someone named Woods. She also had a brother Harold Jr Hudman. This causes further confusion because in Cloth's obituary, Stephanie is reportedly married to Darrell Reed in Claremore, OK while Tammy (Tammi) is married to Bobby Anderson in Ashdown, Arkansas.

Children of Viola Hudman and Harold Martin and Wesley Ketner

956	Janet Leigh Ketner Martin	1967	2011	Viola Hudman and Wesley Ketner's child
957	Stephanie Hudman	1971		Viola Hudman and Harold Martin's child#1
958	Tammy Hudman	1973		Viola Hudman and Harold Martin's child#2
959	Harold Hudman Jr	1976		Viola Hudman and Harold Martin's child#3

453 Janet Hudman 8 DEC 1952 • Alamogordo, NM – Living

Donald Ray Derrick 15 DEC 1945 • Chavez, NM – Living



Jesse and Cloth's 3rd child was another daughter, this time Janet Hudman who arrived just before Christmas 1952. Her 1970 wedding announcement gives us some good background on her early life.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hudman of 2403 N. Florida are announcing the engagement and forthcoming wedding of their daughter, Janet Leigh to Donald Ray Derrick of Mayhill. The groom-elect is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Curly Derrick. The ceremony will be held at 6 p.m. at the Mayhill Church of Christ. Miss Hudman graduated from Alamogordo High School this year. She is a member of the a cappella choir. Derrick graduated from Cloudcroft High School and attended New Mexico State University. A member of the Church of Christ, he is employed by the Forest Service. Miss Hudman's sisters are Mrs. Walter Van Cleave and Mrs. Viola Retner of Alamogordo and Wanda of the family home. Her grandparents are Mrs. J. E. Hudman and John Fuller both of Alamogordo. Derrick has one brother, Jimmy, of Dexter. No formal wedding invitations will be sent, friends of the couple are invited to attend.

Since I started this, I made contact with Janet and Donald's son Brent and he put me in touch with his mother and aunt Frances Hudman Wallace Young and I have had delightful conversations with Fran and Brent. Brent shared with me some background about his father Donald who was one of the few unfortunate children of the early 1950's who contracted polio which resulted in a withered arm and leg.



Despite this, he overcame his physical challenges and was a star player on his high school football team and had the reputation of being the meanest, most physical player on the team. Brent also shared that basketball was a big deal in the Derrick family and shared this wonderful photo of the Slow Poison Basketball Team with their skull and crossbones logo with his grandfather and grand uncle.

Had I read this earlier, I would have noted that in 1970, Viola was married to Wesley Ketner and Carolyn was married to Walter Van Cleave

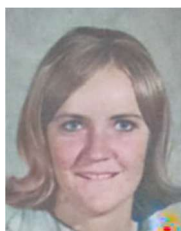
while Wanda was still not married being the youngest. Not long after their marriage, they had their only child, son Kevin Brent Derrick on 11 Jan 1971. Shortly thereafter, they moved to Mayhill where Donald had a successful career in the Forest Service rising through the ranks and they seemed to have had a nice life together and were an integral part of the community. Son Brent was a good basketball player in high school and won a scholarship to Lubbock Christian College in 1991 and graduated in 1994 and returned to Alamogordo and became the basketball coach at AHS. In 2004, when Donald's father died, Brent was reportedly living in Houston. Janet and Donald seemed to have had some inclination to perform musically together on several occasions. There are many articles about them over the years and Donald seems to have been personal friends with Smokey the Bear. Brent told me about their move to Mayhill where Donald borrowed \$1500 from his father and used it to build the house that they still live in. Two months later he paid his father back upon completing the house.

Child of Janet Hudman and Donald Derrick

960 Kevin Brent Derrick 1971 Janet Hudman and Donald Derrick's child

454 Wanda Fay Hudman AUG 1954 • Alamogordo, NM - Living

William True Shockey 30 JAN 1950 • Santa Fe, NM - 19 FEB 2009 • Alamogordo, NM



Jesse and Clotha ended up with 4 daughters and no sons. Wanda was the last of the 4 girls and arrived in the summer of 1954. She married William "Pete" Shockey in July 1970 two weeks after her older sister had married Harold Martin as previously discussed. Their wedding announcement is below.

Miss Wanda Hudman became the bride of Bill Shockey in a recent ceremony held at the Bethel Baptist Church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hudman of 2403 Florida, Alamogordo and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Shockey, 1014 Black St., also in Alamogordo. Rev. Dub Bryant officiated during the formal, candlelight ceremony before an altar accented with yellow carnations and silver candelabra holding lime green candles. Soloist Mel Phillips was accompanied at the organ by his wife.

The bride wore a white satin brocade gown with a lace overlay, fashioned with lace sleeves. Her waist-length veil of illusion was held in place by a white satin crown, and her bouquet was of white carnations centered with an orchid corsage. The bride's ensemble was made by her mother.

Mrs. Carolyn Van Cleave of Sunland Park attended her sister as matron of honor, and wore a Empire-styled gown of pink dotted Swiss accented with pink satin ribbon. She wore a pink lace hat and carried a bouquet of pink daisies. Bridesmaids were Paula Van Deren of High Rolls, Janet Derrick of Mayhill and Viola Martin of Alamogordo. The bridesmaids' ensembles were of yellow and green dotted Swiss with matching summer hats. Each carried a basket of pink and yellow daisies. The attendants' ensembles also were made by the bride's mother.

Best man was Jerry Shockey and Larry Shaw, Donald Derrick and Harold Martin were ushers and groomsmen. Donald Derrick and Harold Martin served as candlelighters. Jerry Shockey was ring bearer and Sharon Van Cleave, Jessie Ketner and Stevi Ketner were flower girls. The bride's mother wore a dress of yellow organdy with white lace overlay. The groom's mother chose a green knit ensemble. Both wore corsages of white carnations. A reception followed the ceremony at the Bethel Baptist Fellowship Hall.

A three-tiered cake centered a lace-covered table, decorated with baskets of pink and yellow daisies. Green and yellow mints and yellow punch were served. Mrs. L. J. Goar and Mrs. Keith Wells assisted with the courtesies. Alta Hournbuckle attended the guest book.

Special guests included Mrs. J. E. Hudman, grandmother of the bride of 703 Spruce in Alamogordo; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Goar, grandparents of the groom of Albuquerque, and Mr. and Mrs. Charley Atkins, the bride's aunt and uncle of Weed. For going-away the new Mrs. Shockey wore a blue and

white chiffon dress styled in an Empire mode and the orchid corsage from her bouquet. Following a honeymoon in Ruidoso, the couple is at home at 1104 Lovelle Road in Alamogordo.

A couple of notes from this show sister Sharon is married to Walter Van Cleave and Viola is married to Harold Martin, but has two children, Jessie and Stevi Ketner, from her first marriage. Newspaper records indicate that Wanda was in the hospital in Nov 1971 and in Feb 1972, she is mentioned with a baby. This would have been their first child, Kevin Shockey. In Feb 1976, the birth of son Jerry Wayne Shockey was reported. A third son, Gary Shockey was born in 1978. In 1982, Pete's father had retired from a trucking company that he ran for 22 years and ran for state representative. At the time, Pete was working for Sears. After his father's retirement, he seemed to get involved in ranching with his father. He became very active with the FFA and coaching his son's sports teams. Pete died in 2009 and his obituary reads:

William T. "Pete" Shockey, 59, a longtime resident of Alamogordo, died Thursday, Feb. 19, 2009, in Alamogordo. Pete was born Jan. 30, 1950, in Santa Fe, and had lived in Alamogordo since 1956. He graduated from Alamogordo High School in 1968 and became a technician for Sears where he worked for 19 years. He then was employed by Charles Rivers Laboratories at Holloman Air Force Base where he also worked for 19 years until his medical retirement.

Pete was a very involved volunteer, especially with children, as a 4-H leader with La Luz 4-H Club, the Alamogordo Public Schools track teams, as a coach and assistant with the Youth Soccer League for his sons, over 29 years as a volunteer with the 4-H and FFA programs, and a member of the Fair Board since 2003. He was an honorary member of both the Alamogordo and Carrizozo FFA Chapters, and a member of the Foundation Beefmasters Association. In 2002 he was inducted into the Junior Livestock Ring of Honor by the Otero County Fair Association. Pete particularly loved hunting with his sons.

Survivors include his wife of 37 years, Wanda Shockey, of the family home; three sons, Kenneth Shockey of Alamogordo, Wayne Shockey and his wife Jean of Ruidoso, and Gary Shockey of Alamogordo; one grandson Caden Shockey of Alamogordo; his parents, Jim and Ouita Shockey of Alamogordo; two brothers, Jerry Shockey and his wife Mary of Bloomfield, New Mexico, and Jay Shockey and his wife Maria of Mandeville, Louisiana; his father and mother-in-law, Jesse and Clotha Hudman of Alamogordo; two sisters-in-law, Viola Martin and her husband Harold of Arkansas, and Janet Derrick and her husband Donald of Mayhill; and numerous nieces, nephews and other extended family who loved him greatly.

A memorial service will be conducted Monday at 2:00 p.m. at Grace United Methodist Church, 16th St. and Cuba Ave., with the Rev. Dr. Steve Trout officiating. Cremation has taken place and services are under the direction of Hamilton-O'Dell Funeral Home. Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Pete Shockey Memorial Scholarship Fund at the New Mexico State University-Alamogordo Foundation, 2400 N. Scenic Dr., Alamogordo 88310.

We learn about numerous family members mostly previously discussed. We see that his sons, Kenneth and Gary were still in Alamogordo, while Wayne had married Jean and apparently had a grandson, Caden Shockey. As far as I know, Wanda is still living. Let me do a quick check on the sons.

Children of Wanda Hudman and Pete Shockey

961	Kenneth A Shockey	1971	Wanda Hudman and Pete Shockey's child#1
962	Jerry Wayne Shockey	1976	Wanda Hudman and Pete Shockey's child#2
963	Gary Shockey	1978	Wanda Hudman and Pete Shockey's child#3

This completes the Jesse Hudman and Clotha Fuller Hudman family saga. It was completed on 20 May 2025.

180. Aril Edward Hudman 22 JUN 1922 • Cloundcroft, NM - 5 MAY 2010 • Council Bluffs, Iowa
 Beverly Anona Landon 2 MAY 1928 • Val Verde, TX - 1 JUL 2010 • Oakland, Iowa
 Marriage: 16 May 1945 • Albuquerque, NM



Photo of Aril from Ancestry.

Bud and Beverly's grave marker from Findagrave.

Jesse Earl and Bessie's 2nd child was Aril Hudman who did not prove to be as easy to research as his older brother. He was born in Cloundcroft after the family moved from Russian Canyon. He appears at home in Cloundcroft in 1930 and 1940 on the family

farm. When he turned 20 in Oct 1942, he registered for the WW2 Draft at which time he was working for Trans World Airlines (TWA) in Albuquerque. His point of contact was his father in Cloundcroft. He was 6'-3"-185lbs-gray eyes-brown hair-light complexion so he was as tall as his brother and 5lbs heavier. Aril enlisted in the Navy in Santa Fe in 1942 and his service number was 553 62 37. There are a lot of military records for him that will require some study, but there is a questionnaire that New Mexico had their vets fill out that indicates that he finished high school in Cloundcroft, that he had been a cargo carrier for TWA, that he had attended training in Farragut, Idaho and Norman, OK. He served in the Pacific from the New Hebrides Islands to the Philippines. He served on the Patrol Service Unit One-Two. He was an Aviation Machinist Mate 1st Class. He was discharged 8 Oct 1945 and his records indicate that he was married. Looking at his marriage date, he was a newlywed.

It appears that the Navy seemed to suit Aril pretty well as in the 1950 Census, he was listed as being in the Armed Forces and other military records indicate that in 1947, he was station in Albuquerque as a Navy Recruiter. In 1946, their daughter Sherry was born and appears in the 1950 Census and later records show that a 2nd daughter, Leslie Kay was born in 1952 in New Mexico. Shortly after the census he was transferred to Naval Air Station Whidby Island in Washington State and was deployed to Hawaii with Patrol Squadron 4. This was just as the Korean War was breaking out. This was another report from 1961:

Hudman Serves On Fleet Staff Aril E. Hudman, senior chief aviation machinist's mate, USN, son of Mr. Hudman of 1223 Eighth St., and husband of the former Miss Beverly E. Landon of Encino, is serving on the staff of Commander Fleet Air Japan at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Atsugi, Japan. He was promoted to his present rate, Dec. 16, 1960.

I found a high school graduation picture of daughter Linda Kay in San Diego. In 1970 so we know that they were there then. Searching later newspapers, I surprisingly found that Aril and Beverly got a divorce in 1981 but then remarried in Las Vegas in Mar 1982.

Having started my study in the usual way, I just found obituaries for Aril and Beverly which answers a lot of questions and adds some flavor to the biographies. Aril died in May 2010 and his reads:

Aril E. "Bud" Hudman, age 87, of Oakland, IA passed away May 5, 2010 at Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs, IA. Bud was born June 22, 1922 in Cloundcroft, NM to Jesse and Bessie (Scott) Hudman. He was united in marriage to Beverly Landon on May 16, 1945. Bud served his country in the U.S. Navy during WWII, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. He retired from the Navy as an E-9 Master Chief after 22 years of service. He spent his retirement in Albuquerque, NM and moved to Oakland May 2, 2009.

Bud's life revolved around his family. In his early years he enjoyed fishing, woodworking, and golf. He enjoyed playing cards, dominoes, and Aggravation. Bud was also very proud of his yard and all of his beautiful flowers. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Emmett and Bill.

Bud is survived by his wife of 64 years, Beverly Hudman of Oakland; daughters Sherry Feaster and husband Harvey of San Diego, CA and Leslie Schueman and husband Mark of Oakland, IA; his grandchildren: Gina Correll and husband Jim of Costa Rica, Bill Marks of San Diego, Niki Ford and husband Kevin of Oakland, and Stacie Kinnison and husband Shane of Omaha; his great grandchildren: Tyler, Reagan, Maalaea, Lacie, Tanner, Kenna Rae, and Noah; his brothers, Jess and Lee; and his sister Francis. He is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 8, 2010 at 10:30 AM at the Rieken Vieth Funeral Home in Oakland. Military Honors will take place immediately following the memorial service. Interment will be held at a later date.

From Bud's obituary, we discover that daughter Sherry is married to Harvey Feaster in San Diego and Daughter Leslie is married to Mark Schueman and that they lived in Iowa which accounts for Aril and Beverly's presence and burial in Iowa. We also get some insight into grandchildren which I will resist digging in to. Beverly, who was the 4th child of Gordon and Marie McElroy Landon died a month before Aril and her obituary reads:

Beverly A. Hudman, the daughter of Gordon and Marie (McElroy) Landon was born May 2, 1928 at Del Rio, TX and died July 1, 2010 at the Oakland Manor Nursing Home in Oakland at the age of 82 years. Beverly enjoyed gardening, doing crafts, sewing, and spending time with her family. Beverly is preceded in death by her beloved husband of 64 years, Bud; her parents; and her sisters Jane Marie and Dawn.

She is survived by her daughters Sherry Feaster and husband Harvey of San Diego, CA and Leslie Schueman and husband Mark of Oakland, IA; her grandchildren: Gina Correll and husband Jim of Costa Rica, Bill Marks of San Diego, Niki Ford and husband Kevin of Oakland, and Stacie Kinnison and husband Shane of Omaha; her great grandchildren: Tyler, Reagan, Maalaea, Lacie, Tanner, Kenna Rae, and Noah; her sister Judy and her brother Gordon. She is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

Memorial graveside services will be held on Tuesday, July 6, 2010 at 10:00 AM at the Oaklawn Cemetery at Oakland. Rieken Vieth Funeral Home in Oakland is in charge of arrangements.

I then found that daughter Leslie Kay died last year and her obituary below shed some light on her life. Judging from reading it, it suggests that she may have been married to someone named Ford before she married Mark Schueman and when she married Mark, her last name was Putnam. It also says that her sister Sherry was dead before her, but I have not discovered any information about her death.

Leslie Kay Schueman, the daughter of Aril and Beverly (Landon) Hudman, was born in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on May 8, 1952. She died September 19, 2023, in Omaha, Nebraska, at the age of 71 years, 4 months and 11 days.

Les moved to San Diego, CA, where she graduated from Madison High School in 1969. After graduating, Les moved to Oakland, IA. On June 26, 1985, she was united in marriage to Mark "Moose" Schueman in Las Vegas, NV. She worked at the Oakland Beef Plant, Schueman Trucking, Omaha Standard, and TiNik in Oakland, before retiring.

Les enjoyed singing, dancing, bowling, golfing, playing slow pitch softball, and archery. She liked traveling to Las Vegas and Denver Bronco's games, working in her flower beds, and being outside. She especially loved spending time with her grandchildren.

Les is preceded in death by her parents; her sister Sherry; her sister-in-law Joanie; and her parents-in-law, George and Donna Rae. She is survived by her husband Mark "Moose" Schueman of Hancock, IA; her daughters, Niki Ford and husband Kevin of Oakland, IA, and Stacie Schueman of Omaha, NE; her grandchildren: Lacie Patterson and husband Brock, Tanner Ford, Kenna Rae Ford, and Noah Kinnison; her great grandchildren Kasyn Kay and Kya Patterson; her brother-in-law Rod Schueman and wife Teresa of Oakland, IA; and her favorite dog Hank. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

A celebration of life visitation will be held on Saturday, September 23, 2023, from 2-4 PM, at the Oakland Community Building in Oakland. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund is being established in Leslie's name. Rieken Vieth Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Children of Aril and Beverly McElroy Hudman

455	Sherry Hudman	1946	Dead	Aril and Beverly's Child#1
456	Leslie Kay Hudman	1952	2023	Aril and Beverly's Child#2

455 Sherry Hudman 27 MAY 1946 • Albuquerque, NM - AFT. 2010
Harvey Feaster ABT. 1945 • Unknown – Living?

Sherry is one of the kids that I have not had much success about finding anything about. She appears in the 1950 Census after her father got back in the Navy after her birth in Albuquerque in 1946. I found a birth announcement for her in the papers, and then the next mention comes her father's 2010 obituary as being married to Harvey Feaster and living in San Diego. She is mentioned again 2 months' later in her mother's obituary. I never see any reference to potential Feaster children. The only other reference I found is when her sister Leslie died in 2023, it mentions that Sherry had predeceased her so we know that she died between 2010 and 2023, but I have been unable to find any records for either her or Harvey.

456 Leslie Kay Hudman 8 MAY 1952 • Albuquerque, NM - 19 SEP 2023 • Omaha, NB

#1 Lynn Putnam ABT 1950 Unknown – Living?

Married: unknown

#2 Mark Alan "Moose" Schueman 3 JAN 1957 • Iowa - Living

Marriage: 26 Jun 1984 • Clark, Nevada



Leslie has some answers, but still a lot of questions. When I look at her records, I found a flight manifest from 1955 when her mother and sister and herself were flying to Alameda, CA from Hawaii where Aril must have been stationed. Again, in Feb 1961, they were aboard the USNS Barrett sailing from Yokohama, Japan to San Francisco. I found Leslie graduating in 1970 from James Madison HS in San Diego.

When she married Moose in 1984, her name was Leslie Putnam which suggested that she had been married and divorced from someone named Putnam. After much searching, I finally determined that this person was Lynn Putnam who subsequently married Pamela Jean Teneyck from Iowa and her obituary yielded some clues, but still some questions. Let me print both obituaries here and make some observations. First, I will reprint Leslie's and correct some observations from earlier. It reads:

Leslie Kay Schueman, the daughter of Aril and Beverly (Landon) Hudman, was born in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on May 8, 1952. She died September 19, 2023, in Omaha, Nebraska, at the age of 71 years, 4 months and 11 days.

Les moved to San Diego, CA, where she graduated from Madison High School in 1969. After graduating, Les moved to Oakland, IA. On June 26, 1985, she was united in marriage to Mark "Moose" Schueman in Las Vegas, NV. She worked at the Oakland Beef Plant, Schueman Trucking, Omaha Standard, and TiNik in Oakland, before retiring.

Les enjoyed singing, dancing, bowling, golfing, playing slow pitch softball, and archery. She liked traveling to Las Vegas and Denver Bronco's games, working in her flower beds, and being outside. She especially loved spending time with her grandchildren.

Les is preceded in death by her parents; her sister Sherry; her sister-in-law Joanie; and her parents-in-law, George and Donna Rae. She is survived by her husband Mark "Moose" Schueman of Hancock, IA; her daughters, Niki Ford and husband Kevin of Oakland, IA, and Stacie Schueman of Omaha, NE; her grandchildren: Lacie Patterson and husband Brock, Tanner Ford, Kenna Rae Ford, and Noah Kinnison; her great grandchildren Kasyn Kay and Kya Patterson; her brother-in-law Rod Schueman and wife Teresa of Oakland, IA; and her favorite dog Hank. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

First, we see that Sherry has died before 2023. I assume that Joanie is Mark's sister or the wife of Mark's brother and that George and Donna Rae are Mark's parents. This led me to the discovery that Mark was actually 5 years younger than Leslie and that he had a sister Joanie. I was able to find that she was a year older than Mark and had married Michael Urbana in 1981, had a son John Michael Urbana in 1982, before dying unexpectedly in Dec 1985 in Denver at age 29. I then note that she has a daughter, Niki Ford and then noticed that she is married to Kevin Ford. She also has a daughter Stacie Schueman who I assume is her daughter with Mark. That leaves Niki a mystery. Let's look at Pamela Putman's obituary.

Pamela Jean Putnam, the daughter of Delbert and Emma Jean (League) TenEyck was born January 28, 1958 at West Point, NE and died September 27, 2012 at her home in Oakland, IA at the age of 54 years, 7 months, and 30 days.

Pam attended grade school in St. Joseph, MO and then attended high school at Valley, NE, graduating with the class of 1976. In 1983, she was united in marriage to Lynn Putnam. They lived in Oakland and then moved to Loveland, CO where Pam worked as a purchaser for the Loveland school district. They moved back to Oakland in 2006.

Pam loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She liked camping, being outdoors, bowling, listening to Elvis, and skunks. Pam enjoyed playing cards, especially poker night, and playing board games with her grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her father; her sister Jeri Russell; her nephews Joshua and Jeremy Russell; her niece Amy Stahlecker; her nephew Wesley TenEyck; and her great niece Alysa Marshall.

Pam is survived by her husband Lynn of Oakland; her children: Brandi Payne and husband Gavin of Grand Island, NE, Rowdy Putnam and wife Cassidy of Loveland, CO, **Niki Ford and husband Kevin of Oakland, IA**, and Stacie Kinnison and husband Shane of Omaha, NE; her grandchildren: Austin, Owen, Ellison, Lane, Garret, Drake, Lacie, Tanner, Kenna, and Noah; her mother Emma Jean TenEyck of Valley, NE; her brothers and sisters: Debi Cahoy and husband Gene of Valley, NE, Susan Thorburn and husband John of Fremont, NE, Delbert TenEyck and wife Heather of Fremont, NE, and Duane TenEyck of Papillion, NE; her mother-in-law and father-in-law Don and Dorothy Putnam of Oakland, IA; her brother-in-law Rick Putnam; and her sister-in-law Lolly Porter and husband Mike. Pam is also survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, September 29, 2012 at 1:00 PM at the Rieken Vieth Funeral Home in Oakland. Visitation with the family will be held Friday evening at the Rieken Vieth Funeral Home in Oakland from 6-8 PM. Interment will be at the Oaklawn Cemetery. Rieken Vieth Funeral Home in Oakland is in charge of arrangements.

The clarification that this introduces it that Niki Ford is probably Niki Putnam and was born to Lynn and Leslie sometime between 1970 and 1984. More likely around 1976. The confusion is that she mentions a daughter Stacie Kinnison who must be different from Stacie Schueman. My conclusion is that Leslie was the mother of Niki and Stacie. I think I will leave the grandchildren unsorted.

Children of Leslie Hudman and Lynn Putnam and Mark Schueman

964	Niki Putnam	1976	Child of Leslie Hudman and Lynn Putnam
965	Stacie Schueman	1986	Child of Leslie Hudman and Mark Schueman

This completes my study of Aril and Beverly McElroy Hudman. It was completed on 21 May 2025

- 181. Emmett Milton Hudman** 23 DEC 1923 • Highrolls, NM - 23 JUL 1992 • Benton County, OR
 #1 - Johnnie Vaudine Henderson 14 DEC 1925 • Almina, TX - 10 SEP 1999 • Klamath Falls, OR
 Married: before 2 Jan 1946 per Military Questionnaire
 #2 - Delores Pauline Schamp 20 APR 1931 • Nebraska - Death Unknown
 Married 11 Dec 1950 – Philomath, Oregon
 #3 - Carolyn Bernice Lake 6 DEC 1940 • Corvallis, OR - Death Unknown
 Married: 22 Feb 1962 – Divorced 26 Jul 1985



Emmett's photo from his military questionnaire after WW2.
 Emmett "Slim" Hudman in 1977.

Emmett was the third child born to Jessie and Bessie and the third boy in a row. He was almost a Christmas baby, but jumped the gun and came 2 days early. He appears at home in the 1930 and 1940 Censuses. In June 1942 when he turned 18, he registered for the WW2 Draft. He lived on 8th Street in Alamogordo and was working in that city for D. McNatt at Richard's Dairy. His father in Cloudcroft was his point of contact. He was 6'-2"-165lbs-hazel eyes-brown hair- light complexion. On 27 Nov 1943, he enlisted in the US Marine Corp at Fort Bliss, TX in El Paso. He went through Basic Training at San Diego and Advanced Training in Hawaii. He ended up in the 2nd Armored Amphibious Battalion and saw action on Okinawa and was part of the occupation force in Japan after the war for a while. He was discharged in San Diego on 22 Mar 1946 so he had been in the service for about 2 ½ years. In Jan 1946, he filled out a questionnaire that New Mexico had its servicemembers complete and he was married at the point to Johnnie Henderson.

At this point, following Emmett's life got pretty complicated, but I think I have somewhat sorted it out. Let me see if this makes sense. In the 1950 Census, he appears in Philomath, OR working in a lumber mill living in a cabin near the mill and with a 3-year-old daughter, Patricia Ann, which begins to become a problem to my research as I progressed. About the same time that the census was being conducted this appeared in the paper: *Divorce Sought - A. suit for divorce was filed in circuit court today by E. M. Hudman against Johnnie V. Hudman. He charges cruelty and seeks custody of an adopted minor child and to be awarded a 1946 automobile.* The day after this was published, another article appeared where an ambulance rushed to her house thinking that she had taken a whole bottle of sleeping pills. It apparently proved not to be the case. Upon reading this, I began to wonder who this mysterious child was and began searching. I eventually found this obituary for her that shed some light.

Mrs. Patricia Anne Pierson, 53
Oregonian, The (Portland, OR) - Sunday, January 7, 2001

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2001, in the Assembly of God Church in Oregon City for Patricia Anne Pierson, who died Jan. 2 of complications from diabetes at age 53.

Mrs. Pierson was born Jan. 16, 1947, in Toledo. Her maiden name was Dowty. She moved in 1981 to Portland and was a certified nursing assistant at several nursing homes until her retirement in 1998. She was a member of the church and a Sunday school teacher. In 1981, she married Dalton Pierson.

Survivors include her husband; and brother, Dareld Henderson. Disposition is by cremation. The family suggests remembrances to the children's ministry at her church. Arrangements are by Crown Burial & Cremation Service.

Here is what I conclude from this and it may be wrong, but it is the best conclusion I can come to. If I go back to look at Johnnie's action after the divorce, she ends up marrying Ervin Dowty. He was 6 years older than Johnnie and had married Betty Monaghan in 1941 and they had a stillborn child in 1943 and divorced in 1944. She mentions a brother Dareld. When I tracked him down, he actually shows up in 1950 as the "son" of Johnnie's father Eldon. Dareld was born in Oct 1943, but according to records, he was born

in Ohio right after Ervin's stillborn baby was born and right after he enlisted in the Army. My thoughts are that perhaps two things happened. Ervin and Johnnie may have been having an affair during his first marriage and Dareld happened and she went out of town to avoid a scandal and then when he got out of the service in Mar 1944, they resumed their relationship which resulted in Patricia in 1947. Alternatively, on her marriage application with Ervin, she indicated that this marriage was her third so more likely, she had married first in early 1942 to a serviceman who got stationed in Ohio and then Oregon and either divorced or he was killed in the war. I cannot find evidence of either, but not for a lack of looking.

Getting back to Emmett, after his divorce from Johnnie, he ended up marrying Pauline Schamp in Dec 1950. Ironically, Pauline had been previously married to Clyde Henderson. Recognize that name? Clyde was Johnnie's younger brother and he and Pauline had been married on Christmas Day 1947 and had a son, Ronnie Henderson about 1949 and a daughter Francis Kay in 1950. Ronnie and Delores appear in the 1950 Census with her parents. I'm not sure where Kay was. She must have been in the process of divorce from Clyde. Pauline and Emmett had two daughters together, Wanda Pauline in 1952 and Leanna Dawn in 1953.

In 1957, this happened: *Fire Destroys Country House "A targe, old-fashioned two-story house on Beaver Creek Road burned to the ground yesterday morning. Nothing was saved. The house was being rented by Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Hudman, who have lived there since last winter.*

Mrs. Hudman and three children, ages six, four, and two. were in the house alone about 10:30 a.m. when Mrs. Hudman saw that the entire second floor was afire. Hudman was logging in the woods. Mrs. Hudman and the children ran out of the house and down the road for help after Mrs. Hudman tried unsuccessfully to check the blaze with a garden hose. The Hudmans had no telephone.

By the time she flagged down a pickup truck, the entire house was being consumed in flames. The Hudman's personal property was partly insured, but they didn't know if the owner, Ray Vlodeman of Hoskins, had insurance on the structure! They have been trying to contact him. The house was outside both the Corvallis and Philomath rural fire districts. The Hudmans are now staying at the home of Mrs. Hudman's mother, Mrs. J. J. Schamp, in Philomath.

Pauline and Emmett then divorced on 13 September 1960 and the decree noted 3 small children were involved. This would likely have been Wanda, Leanne, and Ron Henderson, so it seems that the mystery Patricia Ann must have stayed with Johnnie. (update 2025 – I think Patricia was one of these kids – see explanation below – it's confusing) Pauline's father died about a week before this divorce.

In 1960, Emmett married for a third time, this time to Carolyn Lake. He was 36 and she was 19. He had apparently moved to Grangeville, Idaho after his divorce and upon closer inspection, his marriage to Carolyn in Idaho was on the 10th of September which was before he was legally divorced. That may account for the reason that they got married in Oregon a 2nd time in 1962. Oooh! I don't know if this union produced any children but I do know that Carolyn married a Frank Stuer in 1987. Let's look at Emmet's obituary and see what it tells us.

Emmett 'Slim' M. Hudman Dec. 23, 1923 - July 23, 1992 Emmett "Slim" M. Hudman of Philomath died of a heart attack on Thursday. He was 68.

Mr. Hudman was born to Jesse and Bessie Hudman in Cloudcroft, N.M. He joined the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II and served in the 2nd Amphibious Battalion in the South Pacific. He moved to Philomath after his discharge in 1943.

For more than 40 years he worked in the lumber industry, including work at Skirvins Logging and Austin Raines Logging. He also worked for several mills in the Philomath area. He belonged to the Corvallis Eagles Lodge, and was a past president of that group. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and playing pool. Survivors include four daughters, Brenda Bry of Philomath, Wanda Smith of Hewitt, Texas, Leana Faggard of Chico, Calif., and Vickie Johnson of Anderson, Calif.: a stepson, Ron Henderson of Corvallis; a stepdaughter, Kay Perrin of Chico, Calif three brothers, Jesse L. Hudman and Aril "Bud" Hudman of New Mexico, and Lee Hudman; and a sister, Frances Young of Lubbock, Texas, A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 28, in Avery Park in Corvallis. Arrangements are under the direction of DeMoss-Durdan Garden Chapel in Corvallis. Dr. Bob Johnson.

Looking at this, I do not recognize Brenda Bry or Vickie Johnson so they may be children that he and Carolyn had. Kay Perrin must be the daughter of the spouse of a later marriage that I have not discovered. I will see if I can find anything. I have already mentioned Wanda, Leana, and Ron and have confirmed that Wanda married Richard Dockendorf in 1971 and divorced in 1985 and subsequently married someone named Smith. Leana had married a James Carothers in 1971 and then John Faggard in 1986.

This has been a very challenging analysis.

Children of Emmett and at least two of his wives.

456.2	Patricia Ann Dowty	1947	Ervin Dowty and Josephine Vaudine
456.3	Ron Henderson	1949	Delores and Clyde - Child#1
456.4	Francis Kay Henderson	1950	Delores and Clyde - Child#2
457	Wanda Pauline Hudman	1952	Emmett and Delores Child #1
458	Leana Dawn Hudman	1953	Emmett and Delores Child #2
459	Vickie Hudman Johnson	1965	Emmett and Carolyn
460	Brenda Hudman Bry	1967	Emmett and Carolyn – adopted per Frances

456.2 - Patricia Ann Dowty 16 JAN 1947 • Toledo, OR - 2 JAN 2001 • Portland, OR

I am not going to spend a lot of time with Patricia. She appears as Patricia Hudman in the 1950 Census when in fact she was Patricia Dowty and was the product of Emmet's first wife's (Johnny Henderson) marriage to Ernest Dowty. At the time of his divorce from Johnny in 1950, he petitioned for custody of Patricia. She seemed to have trouble staying married. I have documented marriages to the following. Leonard G Stonge Engaged Jan 1968 – not sure they got married, Thomas Andrew Smith



Married Aug 1968-Divorced 1972, Her name was reported as Patricia Shay in Mar 1973 but I could not find a marriage. In Mar 1975 she married Neal Smith and divorced on 12 Dec 1980. And then finally married Dalton Pierson II (1942-2017) in Apr 1981. He was from Montana and at the time of the marriage the parent were reportedly *Patricia Anne Smith and Dalton Pierson II were married March 21 at St. Peter's Episcopal Church with Father Ward DeBeck officiating. Parents are Emmett Hudman, Philomath, Mrs. John Tworek, Toledo, and Mr. and Mrs. Dalton T. Pierson, Missoula, Mont.*

Dalton had been married to Patricia Malott from 1969 to 1978 and judging from his grave marker, they must have had two daughters because when Patricia Dowty Pierson died in 2001, no children are mention. Her obituary reads - **Patricia Anne Pierson** - *A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2001, in the Assembly of God Church in Oregon City for Patricia Anne Pierson, who died Jan. 2 of complications from diabetes at age 53.*

Mrs. Pierson was born Jan. 16, 1947, in Toledo. Her maiden name was Dowty. She moved in 1981 to Portland and was a certified nursing assistant at several nursing homes until her retirement in 1998. She was a member of the church and a Sunday school teacher. In 1981, she married Dalton Pierson.

Survivors include her husband; and brother, Dareld Henderson. Disposition is by cremation. The family suggests remembrances to the children's ministry at her church. Arrangements are by Crown Burial & Cremation Service.

When Emmett married his 2nd wife, Delores Schamp, she was recently divorced from her first husband, Clyde Henderson and had two children, Ron and Francis Kay. They divorced in 1960 so from 1950 to 1960, Emmett would have been the father to Patricia Dowty, and Ron and Kay Henderson as they aged from 3, 2, and 1 to 13, 12, and 11. I suspect that when Delores left, Ron and Kay went with her while Patricia stayed with Emmett who had adopted her. Delores and Emmett did have Wanda and Lena together in 1952 and 1953. This confuses me because in the divorce paperwork, it indicates that 3 children under 18 were affected when there were actually 5. I did discover that Delores was actually born as Delores Evans and was adopted as a baby by the Schamps. She married and divorced Larry Culp in 1965 and 1967/ She was still Delores

Culp in 1976 when her father died, but then died in 1989 as Delores Anderson so she must have married again late in life.

In 1962, Emmett married Carolyn Lake. I'm not going to delve too deeply into Ron and Kay since they were not direct kin and probably never maintained a relationship with Emmett. I did do a bit of research on them however.

456.3 Ron Henderson 24 NOV 1948 • Corvallis, Oregon – Living

In my brief research on Ron, I found that he went to Oregon State and in 1970 he married Susan Kimberly Hall. She later married Lyle Norman Riley in 1990 and then Phillip Ernest Disney, Sr in 1996. Now that was a temptation to dig deeper that I had to resist.

456.4 Francis Kay Henderson 9 MAY 1950 • Toledo, OR – Living

Francis married Richard Robert Perrin in 1966 in Montana when she was 16. Robert had been born in Chicago in 1946 to Carl and Angeline Perrin. Carl merited some discussion. He was born in 1903 and when he was 14, his father died. He joined the Army when he turned 17 in 1920 and was stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington when he and 3 friends decided that Army life was not for them and decided to desert. They hailed a cab, murdered the driver to steal his cab, but were promptly arrested, tried, and received life sentences. 1930 found him in the Walla Walla Federal Penitentiary. Prison records then show that he was paroled in 1932 and returned to Chicago where in 1943 he married Angeline Leonard when he was 39 and she was 38 and surprisingly, had a son when she was 41. Angeline then died in 1952 and Carl in 1989. There are suggestions that they had a son in 1968, but I have not yet confirmed it.

457 Wanda Pauline Hudman 8 FEB 1952 • Corvallis, OR - Living

#1 Richard Dennis Dockendorf 31 MAY 1951 • Albany, OR - 10 FEB 2005 • Benton, OR

Marriage: 5 Jun 1971 • Benton, Oregon

#2 William Smith Birth 1950? • Texas? – Living

Marriage: 18 Mar 1989 • Benton, Oregon



Wanda was the first child that was actually Emmett's after fathering 3 step kids for 10 years. She arrived in Corvallis in 1952 and grew up there where she graduated from Corvallis HS in 1970 and then studied cosmetology. In 1971, she married Richard Dockendorf who when by "Doc". He had graduated from high school in Sweet Home, OR and enlisted in the Air Force and spent some time training in San

Antonio being assigned to Travis AFB in California. Their wedding announcement reads:

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hudman of Philomath are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Wanda P. Hudman of Albany; to Richard D. Dockendorf of Travis Air Force Base, Calif., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Dockendorf, also of Philomath.

Miss Hudman is a 1970 graduate of Corvallis High School and is a graduate of Phagan's Beauty College in Corvallis. Her fiancé is a 1970 graduate of Philomath High School. A June 5 wedding is planned. On 6 Apr 1973, the birth of son Richard Emmett Dockendorf was reported. I have not pinpointed the date yet, but they also had a daughter, Jenni Dockendorf before their 1985 divorce. After their divorce, Richard married Sandra L. Arndt who I have not totally identified, but in 2005, Richard died and his obituary reads:

Richard D. 'Doc' Dockendorf May 31, 1951 - Feb. 10, 2005

Richard Dennis "Doc" Dockendorf died Feb. 10. Doc was born in Albany to Richard and Audrey Dunn Dockendorf. He married Wanda Hudman. He married Sandra Arndt on July 18, 1988. He served in the Air Force during the Vietnam War and was a sergeant in the National Guard. He worked for Sherman Brothers Trucking until he became ill.

Doc enjoyed camping, traveling to the coast and spending time with his family. His wishes were to be cremated and have his ashes spread on Yellow Bottom, where he enjoyed camping with his family each summer.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra of Philomath; son, Ricki; daughter, Jenni Barr of Washington; adopted children, Kate and Amanda Dockendorf of Philomath; and four grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his mother, Audrey.

Memorial contributions can be made to Benton Hospice Service, without whom his family would never have made it through the trial of his illness. They are truly wonderful people.

This obituary confirms his children, Richard and Jenni and we note that Jenni is married and living in Washington. It also appears that Sandra must have been previously married and had daughters Kate and Amanda who were adopted by Richard. I'm curious if the source of his illness was related to his Vietnam service. I recently lost a friend from the effects of Agent Orange.

Wanda married William Smith in Benton, OR in 1989. I have not him tracked down, but in Emmett's 1992 obituary, she was reportedly living in Hewitt, TX as Wanda Smith. Hewitt is right by Waco. In 1999, I found this article - *WACO, Texas - Jenni L. Barr, the daughter of Richard Dockendorf of Corvallis and Wanda Smith of Roseburg, graduated from the dental assistant program at Texas State Technical College.* I suspect that she was in Rosenberg, a Houston suburb as there is no Roseburg TX. I was able to track down Jenni. She was born May 1975, and in 1995 in Waco married Robert Wade Barr and she and Robert have a daughter Hanna 1995 and a son Austin 1997. They are all on Facebook. I have not tracked down son Richard Emmett but he appears to have stayed in Oregon.

Children of Wanda Hudman and Richard Dockendorf

966	Robert Emmett Dockendorf	1973	Wanda Hudman and Richard Dockendorf child#1
967	Jenni LeeAnn Dockendorf	1975	Wanda Hudman and Richard Dockendorf child#2

458 Leana Dawn Hudman 30 NOV 1953 • Philomath, OR - Living

#1 James D Carothers 26 JAN 1952 • Jefferson, KY (or maybe California) - Living

Marriage: 31 Jul 1971 • Shasta, CA – Divorce: 8 Jan 1980 • Kings, CA

#2 John David Faggard 23 JUL 1953 • Butte, CA – Living

Marriage: 16 Jun 1986 • Reno, NV



Emmett's 2nd child with his 2rd wife was Leanna Dawn who was a Thanksgiving baby in 1953. I found her as a sophomore at Shasta HS in Redding, CA in 1970, but she was not there as a senior. She must have graduated though because in July 1971, she married a James D. Carothers who seems to be from Kentucky, but has a confusing family history that gives me some uncertainty. They were married for about 9 years and had two children,

Kristofe J Carothers 30 July 1975 and Shanna R Carothers 4 Oct 1977. They were both born in Kings County which is near Fresno.

After her divorce from James Carothers, she married John Davis Haggard in Reno in 1986. John's background is interesting but confusing. His mother was Lucille Inez Lucio (1932-2011) who was a Zuni Indian from New Mexico who married Robert "Bobby" Gene Faggard in 1951 and they had three sons, Thomas 1952, John David 1953, and James Louis in 1954.

Lucille seems to have had other marriages that I have not been able to confirm, but I know that she married Maurice Rose in 1965 and had a daughter, Brenda Rose in 1966. Prior to that, she had a son, Malcom Davis in New Mexico in 1962 who died in 2001 and references her as Lucille Hupka in Canada. I must admit that encountering someone who was a Zuni Indian was an interesting, but confusing experience. There were yearly censuses of all tribe members that contain a load of information, but they are not conveniently indexed so you have to look individually at each record to see the ages and relationships. They contain the native name as well as the Americanized name of the individuals.

Back to Leana and John. My inspection of newspaper articles about John did not leave a good impression. He seems to have made the news on several occasions related to his involvement in illegal activities like pot farming and other questionable behavior. I spoke to her aunt, yesterday and she indicated that she heard that they had been affected by the recent LA fires and were struggling to find housing and that she understood that Leana was suffering from early onset memory loss.

I have not found out much about the children apart from a news article about Shanna Carothers Rife giving birth to Mackenzie Dawn Marie Rife of 16 Sep 1997 in Paradise, CA.

Children of Leana Hudman and John Carothers

968	Kristofe J Carothers	1975	Leana Hudman and James Carothers' child#1
969	Shanna R Carothers	1977	Leana Hudman and James Carothers' child#2

459 Vicki L Hudman 5 DEC 1965 • Oregon? – Living

All I know for certain is that she was born in 1965 to Emmett and Carolyn Lake and that in 1992 she lived in California as Vicki Johnson. I have seen indications that she may have married Jerry Johnson, but not with a degree of certainty.

460 Brenda C Hudman 8 SEP 1967 • Oregon – Living

Lawrence Bry III 31 JAN 1963 • Oregon – Living

Marriage: 18 Jul 1987 • Washoe, NV and again 30 Sep 1990



From my conversation with Frances Hudman, I learned that Brenda was adopted by Emmett and Carolyn. She was born to unknown parents in Oregon in 1967. From the newspaper, I learned that she had a son in Mar 1987 who I have not identified. Shortly thereafter, she married Lawrence Bry III and then 3 years later they were married a 2nd time. The last mention that I found of them was that they were living in Nevada and Lawrence had a company called Sparks Packaging.

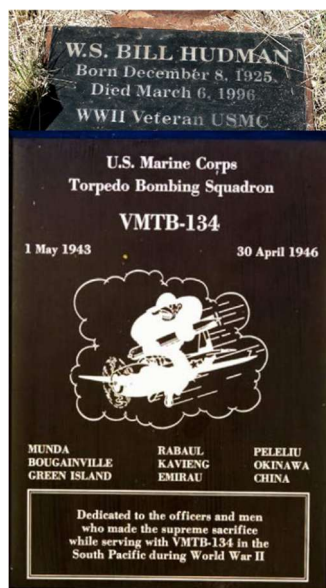
This completes my study of Emmett Hudman and his many wives and children. It was completed on 28 May 2025.

182. William “Bill” Scott Hudman 8 DEC 1925 • Cloudcroft, NM - 6 MAR 1996 • Alamogordo, TX

#1 Ollie Alice Smith Hudman 22 JUN 1924 • Gran Quivira, NM - 23 MAR 1998 • Alamogordo, NM
Marriage: about 1948 New Mexico? – Divorce 1972

#2 Marie Agnes Pack 21 JAN 1922 • Westville, OK - 22 NOV 2002 • Roswell, NM
Marriage: about 1972/1973

#3 Virginia Belle Fisher 2 DEC 1919 • Wichita, KS - DEC 1993 Either Las Cruces or California
Marriage: 22 Apr 1981 • Las Cruces, NM



Grave markers from Findagrave for Bill and Ollie (Pollie) Hudman

The 4th child and 4th son for Jesse and Bessie arrived a couple of weeks before Christmas 1925 in Cloudcroft where he joined his 3 big brothers as low man on the totem pole for 6 years until a little brother and sister arrived a few years later. He appears at home in the 1930 and 1940 Censuses and then the war years arrived and his older brothers begin shipping out to the Navy and Marines as described above. He seems to have moved over to Arizona in the early 1940's as he enlisted in the Marines on 10 Mar 1944 in Phoenix when he was 19. He served it appears until about Jul 1946 but In Dec 1948 he filled out a draft card. At that time, he was at 201 Vista Ave, Warren, AZ. This is a little town southeast of Tucson near the Mexican border. He was working for Standard Station Inc. He was not as big as his brothers, but was 6'-1 1/2"-153lbs-gray eyes-brown hair-ruddy complexion. His father in Cloudcroft was his point of contact. On his questionnaire, he said that he served on Peleliu

Island and China. He did basic training at Camp Pendleton in San Diego. I found this description of their service during the war. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/VMFA-134> and here is a description of the action at Peleliu. I would not have wanted to be there.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle_of_Peleliu His serial number was 894528 and he was a truck driver. In Apr 1945 he was transferred to San Diego. In Apr 1946 he was with the Marine Scout Bombing Squadron 244, part of Marine Aircraft Group 32. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/VMSB-244>



Following the end of World War II, MAG-32 participated in the occupation of Northern China. The group returned to Marine Corps Air Station Miramar in June 1946 and was deactivated in April 1947 at Marine Corps Air Station El Toro. From 20 May to 31 May 1946, he was aboard the USS Bronx sailing home from Tsingtao, China. It is now known as Qingdao and is directly west of South Korea across the Yellow Sea. It looks a little different today!

I have not been able to find marriage records, but he and Polly must have married around 1947 as their first daughter, Nancy arrived in July 1948 in Alamogordo and daughter Barbara followed in Aug 1949 and they all appear in the 1950 Census living at 1223 8th Street which was also his father's address, so he may have been in a garage apartment. He was working part-time at the hospital, and Polly was too, but only a few hours as she had two babies. In Jan 1953, their son, Milton arrived so they had a houseful.

Polly was the 3rd child of Irvin and Ora Stewart Smith. She had 5 brothers and 4 sisters spread from Vernon born in 1920 to Florence in 1942. Her father was a preacher for the Assembly of God church originally from Arkansas. Her mother was from Texas and as a preacher, he seems to have traveled a bit as children were born in New Mexico, Texas, and California but the bulk of his career seems to have been in New Mexico. One of Polly's brothers was named Milton and was probably the person that her son was named after.

I have not found too much about this branch of the family between 1950 and 1972. Daughter Nancy seems to have married someone named Sewell, but I have not been able to track him down. Their daughter Barbara died in 2012 and her obituary provides some clues:

Barbara Jean Hudman, 62, went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, May 22, 2012 in Alamogordo, NM. Barbara was born on August 2, 1949 to William and Polly Smith Hudman. Survivors include Jake Tally of Alamogordo; five brothers and sisters, Nancy and Terry Sewell of Tularosa, Milton "Tuffy" and Linda Hudman of Spanaway, WA, Kay "Karo" Stueve and Bill Fulmer of Alamogordo, Larry Hudman and Sharon Eddy of Alamogordo and Vernon Hudman. Barbara is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends. Barbara was preceded in death by her father, William Hudman; mother, Polly Hudman; and niece, Wanda Hudman. Barbara worked for the Commission for the Blind and retired after 30 years; she touched many lives in her line of work. Barbara was also a very active member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. Barbara served as Madam Chaplin this past year. Barbara also started the annual Walk for Diabetes, which she was very proud of and was a huge part of her life since she lived with that disease for over 50 years. Should friends desire, contributions may be made in lieu of flowers to The Fraternal Order of Eagles Diabetes Research Center. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 25, 2012 at The Fraternal Order of Eagles, 471 24th St., Alamogordo, NM. There will be a reception to follow the service.

She lists 5 brothers and sisters. I recognize Nancy and see that her husband is Terry. I recognized Milton and see that he is married to Linda and lives in Washington. Is Kay another sister? Is Larry a brother with a girlfriend Sharon Eddy? Is Vernon the last brother? Back to the research it seems.

Adding a little context might help. In 1972, Bill and Polly divorced. I have not found any evidence that Polly remarried, or what Bill did between 1972 and 1981 when he married Virginia Bell Vallejo but that led to some interesting stories. I was thinking that some of these unidentified children may have been from a 2nd marriage between Bill and an unknown wife during that period, but I have not been able to close that loop yet.

Here is what I do know. Tuffy married Patricia Ann Passley from Missouri in 1977 per a news article. I was a little confused by his wedding announcement because it listed his parents and Bill and Polly Hudman as if they were still married. Maybe they got back together. Her mother's name was Nellie. In the obituary, Tuffy has a different wife Linda who I was able to determine was Linda Cano from NM and the daughter of Jesus Cano from TX and Lucia Cano from New Mexico. She was born 2 Feb 1950, married John Paul Bledsoe Jr and divorced in 1974. She died 28 Jul 2015 in Tacoma, WA. There seem to have been three kids, but I don't know who the parents were. Meanwhile, it looks like Patricia had been married before in Missouri to Max Bannister and had a son, Max Jr and then a stillborn son, in 1969 named Richard Allen. I found a Kay Stueve in Philomath, Oregon which ironically is where Bill's brother Emmett lived so that might be a connection. I have been unable to locate Terry Sewell, Larry Hudman, and Vernon Hudman.

Getting back to Bill. After his divorce from Polly in 1972, there is a gap I have not been able to discover anything about, but in 1981, he married Virginia Belle Vallejo who was actually 6 years older than him. He was 55 and she was 61. The marriage record shows that she was born in Wichita, KS so I got to searching and discovered that in reality she was Virginia Belle Fisher. Her father was Willie Fisher from Nebraska and Jennie LaRue from Kansas. In 1937 or so, she had married Ivan F. Gray who was originally from Kansas but had moved to El Paso in 1930, and New Mexico in 1940 where he and Virginia were in 1940 with their son Ivan Jr who was born in El Paso in 1938. They bought some land in New Mexico and had a ranch called Gray Ranch. In 1957, their ranch was condemned to build the McGregor Firing Range which is used by the US Army for tank training. Here is some information about that. It's 600,000 acres, so I'm sure their ranch was a small part. <https://www.blm.gov/visit/mcgregor-range>

In 1958, their son Ivan got married and had a daughter Ivana Belle Gray. She seems to have Samuel Greogory Swindell in 1976 in Texas, but that did not last and in 1978, she was modeling in Dallas and had developed a relationship with a much older gentleman named Gerald Davis. Gerald had worked at a steel fabrication company with a couple of other fellows and it seems that things fell apart and one of the partners was a psycho. After being fired, he teamed up with another fellow and shoot a police officer and then broke into Gerald and Ivana's place and executed both of them. Here is an article from the trial of her killer from the Fort Worth Star Telegram in Feb 1982:

A defense witness abruptly became a prosecution witness Tuesday leaving Robert Austin Poyner without an alibi and leading him to plead guilty to a 1978 execution-style slaying.

Poyner, a former Rex Cauble employee, described by prosecutors as a "reputed Mafia-type from Detroit" spent nearly four hours closeted with his attorney after testimony by Phyllis Charles 27 He then abandoned his claim to innocence in the shooting of one-time nude model Ivana Belle Gray 20 of Addison

Poyner faces a maximum sentence of life in prison and a \$10000 fine State District Judge Jack Hampton scheduled sentencing for March 26. But when called by state she said she had lied to protect Poyner 44 because "I was afraid for my life I still am".

The testimony from Mrs. Charles 27, a former Fort Worth teacher and now a securities broker in Dallas, stunned defense attorney Emmett Colvin. He had planned to call her for the defense because she previously had claimed Poyner was with her in Fort Worth at the time of the killing. Clark has never been apprehended.

Mrs. Gray and Gerald Davis 52 were killed May 10 1978 in Davis's Addison apartment Both were shot six times and Addison police described the deaths as having all the elements of a "contract killing". Poyner his wife Lana Cheryl Poyner 33 and Anthony Wayne Clark 42 portrayed by authorities as Poyner's "bodyguard" became prime suspects within weeks of the shootings based on information from witnesses But authorities were unable to compile enough evidence for indictments until March 1981. All three were indicted for murder in the slayings Poyner and his wife were arrested last May by Detroit FBI agents and extradited to Dallas Both suspects were later released after each posted \$100,000 bond.

No motive has ever been established in the shootings. Poyner and Davis were acquainted through business dealings in the local steel industry. Poyner was on trial this week for the murder of Ms. Gray. No decision has been made about bringing Poyner to trial for the Davis death.

Poyner is a former manager of the now-defunct McVean Steel of Fort Worth owned by Denton millionaire Cauble From 1975 until 1977 when he was fired Poyner lived with his wife at Cauble's Denton ranch.

Assistant District Attorney Royce West said Tuesday that aside from those dealings with Cauble "we don't know of any connection between Cauble and Poyner".

Mrs. Charles the state's surprise witness wept as she told a jury of seven women and five men that she had an affair with Poyner in 1973 and had given him an alibi because "I knew that if I told the truth (Poyner and Clark) would hurt 'me". Mrs. Charles who said she taught middle school classes in Fort Worth told the jury she was a neighbor of Poyner when he lived on Dorothy Lane on the West Side. Their friendship developed into an affair she said and on May 1978 she met Poyner in a room at the Downtown Hotel at 600 Henderson.

The trail of the killer of Virginia's granddaughter took place not long after Bill and Virginia's marriage in 1981. She must have had a 2nd husband after divorcing Ivan Gray, but I have not been able to identify him.

This has been another interesting analysis with a few mystery people still to be identified.

Update 2025 – Input from Kay (Karo) - She said Bill married Marie McClain, but she was not certain of her maiden name. I think that she was Marie Pack who married Austin McClain in 1938 and she died in 2002. I found this story from 1974. I'll bet Wesley Pack was her brother. In fact, I found Marie's Findagrave and Wesley is on there as her brother dying in 1974.

ROSWELL, N.M. (AP) – A Roswell resident died late Friday and three others remained hospitalized Saturday following a three-vehicle accident at a Roswell intersection. City police said Wesley Pack, 58, was dead on arrival at the Eastern New Mexico Medical Center. A hospital spokesman said Alma Dela Bezerra, 20, was in critical condition Saturday.

Listed in serious condition were William Hudman, 48, and Marie Hudman, 53. Officers said the Bezerra woman's car and a pickup truck driven by Hudman collided in the intersection. The impact sent both vehicles into a car that was stopped near the intersection. The third car was driven by Estell Musick, 18, also of Roswell.

Children of William "Bill" Hudman and Polly Smith and perhaps another wife

461	Nancy E Hudman	1949		William and Ollie's child#1
462	Barbara Jean Hudman	1949	2012	William and Ollie's child#2
463	Milton George Hudman	1953		William and Ollie's child#3
464	Kay Hudman	1958		William and Ollie's child#4
465	Lawrence" Larry" Hudman	1961		William and Ollie's child#5
466	Vernon Hudman	1964	2023	William and Ollie's child#6

461 Nancy Earline Hudman JUL 1948 • New Mexico - Living

#1 Bob Maldonado – Unknown

#2 Emmett Carr McNatt 9 AUG 1933 • Alamogordo, NM - 23 NOV 2006 • Alamogordo, NM

Marriage: Uncertain

#3 Terry Sewell - Unknown



Nancy has been totally confusing. I first found her in the paper in 1965 when she was 17 and aspiring to be the Rodeo Queen and had been riding since she was 2 and lived in Cloudcroft. She later appears in her sister's wedding in 1978 as Nancy McNatt and then in 1989 as the grandmother to 2012 obituary as Nancy Sewell and then Caroline Elizabeth Lawrence who was born to David and Missy Lawrence whose parents were Nancy McNatt and Bob Maldonado and Buddy and Llene Bass. This suggested that Nancy must have been married

to Bob while the Basses were Missy's parents. I cannot explain the last name Lawrence, but a David Miller later appears. Correction from Karo – Nancy and Bob Maldonado had two children, Ferna Leigh (Missy) and Robert Rudolph (Guy) Maldonado. (Note – there seem to be several Bob and Robert Maldonado's that pop up in the newspaper. There is a Nancy Maldonado getting a divorce from Robert Maldonado in 1969 which causes problems with the arrival of Ferna and Guy Maldonado in 1968 and 1975)

I know that Carr was quite a bit older and that in 1953, he was drafted into the Army. He got married to Elizabeth Weems before heading off to training and they had Lla, Kim, Cody, and Cal McNatt in 1955, 1958, 1961, and 1963 with the last two having been born in Orange County, CA. He divorced Elizabeth Weems sometime before her 1972 marriage to Robert Rollins so my suspicion is that perhaps he married Nancy at some period after 1972. I did find a record of a Nov 1985 marriage of Carl E. McNatt to Nancy Maldonado in Parmer, TX which could well be our couple, but is contradicted by her 1978 appearance as Nancy McNatt. He died in 2006. Let's study his obituary.

Carr McNatt, 73, a native of Otero County, passed away Thursday, Nov. 23, 2006. He was born Aug. 9, 1933, to Doug McNatt and Susie Tally McNatt.

Carr was well known in his younger years for his talents in the rodeo arena riding broncs and bulls. His love of rodeo stayed with him his whole life he never missed a televised rodeo event. The first nine years of his life were spent on the McNatt ranch, which is now part of Holloman Air Force Base. After being forced from the ranch, the family bought and worked a dairy until the end of World War II. Carr was drafted into the Army in 1952 and spent two years in the military service. After returning to New Mexico, he immediately resumed his rodeo escapades and won the award for Otero County's 1954 All Around Cowboy. He wore that belt buckle 'til the day he died.

From 1956 to 1985, he worked in the construction business, which took him to Louisiana and California, then back to New Mexico for the remainder of his career. He did take a seven-year break in the late '60s and early '70s, during which he and his father owned and operated a bar in T or C. During this time, he was active in the Sierra County Sheriff's Posse and spent all his spare time team roping if there was a roping event, he was there!

He took a medical retirement in 1985, in Clovis, returning to Otero County in 1998 where he lived out the remainder of his life. He enjoyed visiting with the old timers, but some of his best friends were much younger. I think they kept him young at heart he loved a good time.

Carr was preceded in death by his parents, Doug and Susie McNatt; and brothers Tommy and Joe. Survivors include his five children, David Miller, of Austin, Texas, Ila Sue Larson, of El Paso, Texas, Kim Price and husband Bill, of Dallas, Cody McNatt, of Dallas, and Cal McNatt and wife Leanne, of Alamogordo; 11 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at the Alamogordo Funeral Home Chapel on First Street on Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2006, at 2 p.m. Interment will follow at Monte Vista Cemetery where he will be laid to rest next to his parents. Pallbearers will be Tay McNatt, Garrett McNatt, Robin Larson, Chris Reynolds, Samantha Blaylock and David Mallory.

This does not shed a lot of light and introduces more mystery as to who David Miller is. It could be the David Lawrence who had a daughter in 1989 with Missie Bass, but why would he have Miller as a last name. I give up. (Note: There is a David Miller born 1965 who married Kelly Karlene Bass in 1985. Kelly's parents were Charles "Bud" Bass and Llene Bass. I have not worked out all of the connections but I think that there is a McNatt connection somewhere)

Finally, we see Nancy as Nancy Sewell married to Terry Sewell in other obituaries. From Carr's obituary it does not appear that he and Nancy had a lasting relationship and he does not even mention the mother of 4 of his children. Elizabeth died in 2012 and mentions Carr and their 4 children as well as the 4 step children that she married into when she married Bob Rollins in 1972.

Children of Nancy Hudman and Bob Maldonado

971	Ferna Leigh "Missy" Maldonado	1968	Nancy Hudman and Robert Maldonado's child#1
972	Robert Rudolph Maldonado	1975	Nancy Hudman and Robert Maldonado's child#2

462 Barbara J Hudman 2 AUG 1949 • Alamogordo, NM - 22 MAY 2012 • Alamogordo, NM
 #1 William Aubel Estrada 10 MAY 1958 • Alamogordo, NM - 4 JUL 1989 • Alamogordo, NM
 Marriage: 17 Sep 1986 • Alamogordo, NM
 #2 Jake George Tally MAY 1942 • Alamogordo, NM
 Never married Jake



Barbara was the 2nd child born to William and Polly. After visiting with family members, I learned that Barbara was married briefly from 1986 to 1989 to a much younger man, Willie Estrada. Willie had married Brenda Biggs in 1977 and had two sons, James Michael Estrada 1982 and William Keith Estrada 1985 before divorcing. Brenda married Robert Finely in Texas in 1986 and took the boys with her. Following his divorce, he married

Brenda in 1986 and then he passed away at age 31 in 1989. He was the son of Gonzalo and Nancy Estrada and seems to have had at least two brothers and 2 sisters. His father died at age 40 in 1978 and his mother married someone named Miller, but I have not pursued that line.

As far as Barbara and Jake Tally, I am not certain as to when they started a relationship. He was the son of John Harvy Tally (1912-1992) and Della Porter Tally (1921-1953). After his mother's death, John married Kate Danley who had been previously married to Floyd Brunson and had at least 6 children including twins in 1944, Barry and Benolyn, but Barry only lived 4 hours. They also had a son, Lynn in 1967 who unfortunately was killed in 1963 when he was 15 and working on a school cleanup project and fell out of the back of a pickup. Kate and Floyd must have divorced because Lynn was John Tally's step father in 1963.

Jake seems to have had at least 4 brothers and an older sister, Audry. His first brother Thelbert died at birth in 1939. Jake joined the Marines in 1961. It appears that while he was in the Marines, he married Jill Spencer in California. She was from Florida and also had a twin brother. They divorced in Florida in 1965 and then he appears to have been in Texas for awhile as he married Linda Sheffield there in 1980 and Beverly Yell in 1985 and they divorced in 1987 in San Antonio. When his stepmother died in 1984, he was reported to be in Rock Springs, TX. In 1992 when his father died, he was back in Alamogordo. He and his brothers appear to have been pallbearers at Bill Hudman's funeral.

Barbara Jean Hudman, 62, went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, May 22, 2012, in Alamogordo. She was born Aug. 2, 1949, to William and Polly Smith Hudman.

Survivors include Jake Tally, of Alamogordo, and five brothers and sisters, Nancy and Terry Sewell, of Tularosa; Milton "Tuffy" and Linda Hudman, of Spanaway, WA; Kay "Karo" Stueve and Bill Fulmer, of Alamogordo; Larry Hudman and Sharon Eddy, of Alamogordo, and Vernon Hudman. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends. She was preceded in death by her father, William Hudman; mother, Polly Hudman; and niece Wanda Hudman.

Barbara worked for the Commission for the Blind and retired after 30 years; she touched many lives in her line of work. She was also a very active member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. She served as madam chaplain this past year.

She also started the annual Walk for Diabetes, which she was very proud of and was a huge part of her life since she lived with that disease for over 50 years. Should friends desire, contributions may be made in lieu of flowers to the Fraternal Order of Eagles Diabetes Research Center.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, May 25, 2012, at the Fraternal Order of Eagles, 471 24th St., Alamogordo. There will be a reception to follow the service. The Hudman family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Hamilton-O'Dell Funeral Home to direct the arrangements. Cremation will take place at PCS.

463. Milton "Tuffie" George Hudman - 13 JAN 1953 • NW - Living

#1 Patricia Anne Passley 27 JUL 1948 • Charleston, MO - 18 MAY 2007 • Jackson, TN

Marriage: 26 Mar 1977 • Alamogordo, New Mexico

#2 Erma Linda Cano 2 FEB 1950 • Alamogordo, NM - 28 JUL 2015 • Tacoma, WA

Marriage: 23 Apr 1978 • Alamogordo, New Mexico



William and Polly's 3rd child was son Milton who apparently gained the nickname "Tuffie" at some point in his career. He graduated from Alamogordo HS in 1971 and immediately joined the Marines. It looks like he did at least a 3-year tour, but perhaps longer. In 1977, he was back home and met a young lady from Missouri named Patricia Passley. This announcement was in the paper - *Mrs. Nellie Passley of Charleston, Mo. Announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Patricia Ann, to Milton (Tuffie) Hudman of Alamogordo. Hudman is the son of Mrs. Polly*

Hudman of Alamogordo and Bill Hudman of Roswell. The couple will pledge their wedding vows at 6 p.m. March 26, at the home of the bridegroom's mother, 1712 Palo Verde.

The bride-elect is a 1964 graduate of Charleston High School. The prospective bridegroom is a 1971 graduate of Alamogordo High School. He is employed by Nunn's Catering of El Paso. All relatives and friends are invited to attend the ceremony.

In looking at Patricia, I discovered that she had been previously married Max Bannister in 1966 when she was 18. Max was much older having been born in 1927 in Missouri. I won't go into his background much except to say that he was born as Max Spoon, but his birth father died in 1934 and he was raised by his stepfather and took his name. Max had a son in 1967 and then lost their 2nd child in 1969. I don't know what brought her to Alamogordo and her marriage to Milton did not last long. She later married Paul Trayer from Cleveland who was 7 years younger than him. He died in 1997 and she died in 2007.

Less than a year after his marriage to Patricia, Milton married a 2nd time to Erma Linda Cano Bledsoe, a local girl who again was a little older than Milton and had also been married previously it seems a couple of times. I may have her birthday wrong because in 1964 she married Jose Flores and it says that she was 16 which would have meant that she was born in 1948. I don't know how long that marriage lasted, but in 1973 in Alamogordo she married John Paul Bledsoe as Linda Martinez and in 1974, she was getting a divorce from him. During the course of her marriages to Jose and Martinez, she seemed to have had several children. Linda died in 2015 in Tacoma, WA. Her obituary reads:

Linda Hudman (Cano) *was born February 2, 1950, in Alamogordo, New Mexico to Jesus Cano and Lucia Gallegos (Cano). She passed away July 28, 2015, in Tacoma, Washington. She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She was preceded in death by her parents.*

She is survived by her brothers, Alfred Cano of Los Lunas, NM; Tony Cano of NM; Nestora Avila of Belen, NM; her husband of 37 years, Milton "Tuffie" Hudman of Spanaway, WA; and 3 sons, Steven Cano Sr. (wife Sarina) of Tacoma, WA; Edward Cano (wife Madeline) of Spanaway, WA; and John Paul Cano (wife Andrea) of University Place, WA.

She is also survived by her grandchildren, Tyler Burza of Savannah, GA, Steven Cano Jr., Elisa Cano, Xavier "Savy" Laframboise, Destiny Cline, Diego Cano, Eden Cano, Serenity Cano, and John Paul Cano Jr. Also, her great grandchild, Jace Burza, and numerous nieces and nephews. Services pending at Fir Lane Cemetery in Spanaway, Washington.

This suggests to me that she had two children with one or both of her first husbands and then probably one with John Paul Bledsoe, but had them all take her maiden name. It does not appear that she and Milton had children. Her father had been born in Mexico and was brought to the US in 1917 when he was 11 years old. I have not been able to trace her divorce from Flores and subsequent marriage to Martinez. John Paul Bledsoe died in 1979 in Los Angeles. (See note below)

(Corrections from Milton) I think you have some misinformation concerning my wife Erma Linda Cano. We were married April 20 1978. Her first marriage was to Leopoldo (Leo) Gutierrez, they had two sons, Steven James and Edward Ray. Not sure when they divorced but her second marriage was to John Paul Bledsoe Jr. and they had one son, John Paul. When they divorced neither father was ever involved again and the boys were adopted by their grandparents, Jesus and Lucia Cano. Linda and I married in 1978 and I raised the boys. She passed in July 2015 and is buried in Fir Lane cemetery in Spanaway, WA. She was never married to anyone named Jose Flores and never went by the name Martinez

464. Florence Kay Hudman SEP 1958 - Living

#1 John Robert Wills 26 MAY 1950 • Ohio, USA – Living

Marriage: Alamogordo, NM – Apr 1978 – Divorce: Feb 1897

#2 Meryl "Scooby" Francis Stueve 8 FEB 1958 • Colorado – Living

#3 William Joseph Fulmer died – 9 Mar 2016

#4 Felton Elzy III – died 2 May 2023

#5 Harry Kelly – born Harry Shepherd Vasbinder



Florence (who seems to have gone by Kay and Karo) was the 4th child and 3rd daughter born to William and Polly. She arrived in 1958. She graduated from Alamogordo HS in 1977 and shortly thereafter married John Wills.

John was an interesting young man. He was born in Ohio to James Frances Wills and Frances Van Cleave. You may not remember Frances, but she had a brother, Mack who married her cousin, Carolyn Hudman. John was born right after the 1950 Census and he had an older and younger brother James 1949 and Richard 1953. When he was 17 in 1967, he enlisted in the Army, and after his initial training, he was sent to Korea and upon the completion of that tour, he volunteered to go to Vietnam as a helicopter tail gunner. He volunteered for a 2nd tour and must have ended up in Fort Riley, KS where in about 1972 he married Cheryl Crabs who was from there and they had two children, John D. and Angie Wills in 1973 and 1976. They must have divorced shortly after Angie's birth as in 1978, he was back in Alamogordo getting married to Kay Hudman. Shortly after their marriage, they moved to Hobbs where Jim's parents had moved and Jim went into the carper business with his father. They stayed married until 1987 when they divorced in Alamogordo. When John's father died in 2009, he was married to someone named Connie and living in Alamogordo.

I'm not sure when Kay got married again, but in 2008, she was reportedly getting divorced from Meryle Stueve in Fairfax, VA. He was a young man from Colorado, who seems to have made the military his career. In 1984, He was a Staff SGT and attending the NCO Academy at Hill Air Force Base in Utah. The earliest mention that I found of Kay Stueve was in her father's 1996 obituary where she was reportedly in Ramstein, Germany. In Polly Hudman's 1998 obituary, he was referred to a Scooby Stueve and was a pallbearer. (Update-after visiting with Karo, she shared that after her divorce from Meryl, she had a long-term relationship with William Fulmer who died in 2016. I have not discovered much about him. She then married Felton Elzy III who died in 2023. Again, I cannot find out anything about him. Following his death, she married Harry Kelly and they are currently still married) It appears that Harry was the son of Charles (1933-2019) and Ruby Newkirk Kelley (1934-2020) of Del Rio, TX. I have not found evidence of it, but there was an Albert Vasbinder who was a well known contractor in Del Rio who may have been his father since Karo told me he was born as Harry Vasbinder.

Later mentions of Kay Stueve in Alamogordo find her working as a florist, helping her sister Barbara with the Diabetes Walk, and later as a government employee though it is unclear in what capacity. I didn't ever find any Wills or Stueve children. In recent years, Kay seems to have started going by Karo

and was active with Her sister Barbara and brother Larry in The Fraternal Order of the Eagles. It seems to be a charitable organization. <https://foe.com/> - I cannot find a current chapter in New Mexico, but they were still active in 2014.

465 Larry Scott Hudman 15 NOV 1961 • New Mexico – Living

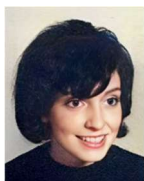
#1 Kim Pitts 1964

#2 Phyllis Ann Duncan Walls Herrera Hudman 24 MAY 1949 • Guilford, NC - Living

Marriage: 23 Nov 1989 • Dona Ana, NM

#3 Sharon Eddy – 1958-2017 – Not married to Larry, but were in a long relationship.

#4 Kelly Robertson – Per Karo they were married for about a month in 2016.



I haven't found a good photo of Larry, but this is Phyllis from her junior year of HS in Guilford, NC. I'm not sure where she was her senior year, but shortly after graduation, she married Neil Gordon Walls, a young man from her hometown who was a couple of years older and had joined the Air Force in 1967. They headed off to Germany on assignment where in 1969 daughter Deidre Dawn Walls was born in the Air Force hospital.

She ended up in Alamogordo in 1972 where she and Gordon were divorced in 1972. In 1978, she married Floyd Edward "Eddie" Herrera Jr, an Alamogordo man where was 7 years younger and was scheduled to move to El Paso right after their married. I'm not sure when they divorced, but in 1980, they had a daughter Natalie Herrera probably in Alamogordo. It seems unlikely, but it appears that in 1989, when she was 40, she married 28-year-old Larry Hudman. It does not appear that she and Larry had any children. Leading up to this, many of the news articles about Larry were not too complimentary. He had several arrests and various run-ins with the law. I was worried about him. Later reports seem to indicate that he settle down and worked with his sister Barbara on her fundraising, and Phyllis seemed to very active in local charitable activities.

Family members tell me that Larry had a daughter with Kathy Pitts in about 1980 who was kidnapped and murdered in Pinehurst, TX about 1998. I have not found any news or records to confirm this. Apparently, it is a cold case. Her name was Wanda May Hudman.

An interesting side story – Phyllis's daughter, Nancy married her high school sweetheart Joseph Hudson around 1997 and they had a daughter, Cameron in 1998. Perhaps before 9/11/2001, Joseph, who was an Army brat whose father, David Neal Hudson had married a Pilipino wife, Anecita Dulaca, and they had several children before David was killed in a motorcycle wreck in Florida in 1991 when he was only 40. Anyway, Joseph followed in his father's footstep and joined the army and was stationed at Fort Bliss in El Paso when the Persian Gulf War started and he was deployed with his maintenance battalion to Kuwait. When the invasion began, they had some mechanical problems with their vehicle and in trying to catch up, missed a turn and ran smack dab into a bunch of Iraqi soldiers who opened fire on them. Eleven of their team were killed and several injured including a female soldier from West Virginia named Jessica Lynch. You may recall her name more than Joseph's because she was taken to an Iraqi hospital where a Seal Team staged a daring raid to rescue her. Joseph and several of his teammates remained in captivity for a number of weeks generating many headlines and negotiations before finally being released. He called Phyllis and said "Well, here's your missing son-in-law. I'm finally home!"

Child of Larry Hudman and Kathy Pitts

970	Wanda May Hudman	1980	1998	Larry and Kathy Pitts child
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466 Vernon Earl Hudman FEB 1964 • Alamogordo, Otero County, NM - 2023 (Deceased per family)
 Teresa Marie Story 18 DEC 1959 • Columbus, MS - 18 JUL 2017 • Alamogordo, NM
 Married: About 1988 – Alamogordo, NM – Divorced?



The final child born to Bill and Polly Hudman was son Vernon who arrived in 1964. I have not found a photo of him, but it appears that he got married to Teresa Story around 1988 and they had a son Scott James Hudman in March 1989.

My impression of Vernon from reading newspapers is not too favorable. Teresa also seems to have lived a troubled life. She was the daughter of John and Sylvia Story who appears to have been in the Air Force and was originally from Mississippi. Since Teresa died in 2017, let's use her obituary as a starting point.

TERESA MARIE STORY, 57 - December 18, 1959-July 18, 2017

Teresa Marie Story passed away on July 18, 2017 in Alamogordo. She was born on December 18, 1959 in Columbus, Mississippi to John and Sylvia Story. She is survived by her children, Rence Miller, Scott Hudman, and Michael Story; grandchildren, Dion Noriega, Constance Hudman, Danielle Hudman, Michael Story Jr. and Shawn Hudman; brothers, John Story and James Story; sisters, Karen Story and Gwen Gallegos. She was preceded in death by both her parents. A memorial service will be conducted at the Cottonwood Christian Fellowship Church, (7035 Hwy 70 North) on July 24th, 2017 at 3:00pm.

From this we can conclude that Teresa was married to someone named Miller and had a child and that she had a child with Vernon, and that she had a 3rd child out of wedlock and as far as the Hudmans go, Scott Hudman appears to have had two daughters, Constance and Danielle, and a son Shawn.

I found that Vernon and Teresa had a son, Scott James Hudman on 24 Mar 1989. I have heard from family members that Vernon died in 2023. Both he and Teresa seem to have had many brushes with the law and had a stormy marriage. They were a sad tale to read about. Per Janet Hudman Derrick and Kay Hudman, Vernon had two more sons with a wife names Marissa. These boys were Justin and Jason Hudman and would have to have been born in the early 1990's.

Child of Vernon and Teresa Story Hudman

970	Scott James Hudman	1989	Vernon and Teresa Story Hudman's child
971	Justin Hudman	1991	Vernon and Marissa's child#1
972	Jason Hudman	1994	Vernon and Marissa's child#2

This completes my study of the William and Ollie Hudman Family. It was completed on 3 June 2025. I have made contact with several family members, so it may be modified.

183. Franklin Lee Hudman 18 APR 1931 • Otero, NM - 9 FEB 2024 • Weed, NM

#1 Melva Eugenia "Janie" Graves 10 MAR 1938 • Martin County, TX - 19 MAY 2008 • Roswell, NM
 Married: about 1958, New Mexico

#2 Michele Ilene Schoeler Welch 1961 – Illinois - Living
 Married: After 2013



Lee from Findagrave. Melva's (Janie) high school photo

One might have the impression that after 4 sons and a 5-year break, Bessie said to Jesse let's try one more time for a daughter, but got a 5th son instead. They persisted and finally had a daughter who we will discuss next, but let's talk about Lee.

Lee appears in the 1940 and 1950 Censuses at home. In 1940, his father was farming and in 1950 he was delivering the mail to the rural areas around Cloudcroft. When he was 9, his parents were blessed with a daughter. I personally experienced the same blessing when I was 9 so I emphasize with him. During the war years, he was too young to have

served, but must have spent many hours worrying about his 4 big brothers who were intimately involved in the fighting, not to mention getting married and starting their own families. The earliest mention I found of him in the papers is an appendectomy in 1949 and later the same year he appeared in his final football game with the Alamogordo Tigers against the Tularosa Wildcats. He played tackle and weighed 161, one of the bigger boys on the team who didn't have a kid over 200lbs. How times have changed. His graduation was in 1950. In 1952, he helped the Rotary Club cut down a huge tree for the Alamogordo town square. In Jan 1959, he and Melva hosted his little sister, Frances's wedding in his home. This is the earliest mention that I have found about his being married.



In 1960, he was on the building committee of the Leading Heights Baptist Church. He's the tall one in the middle. In 1964 when Janie's stepfather, Bill "Buck" Batte, died, they were reportedly living in Dallas. I will use that to discuss her background. Melva Eugenia, who went by Janie was born in Martin, TX to Verbin and Jessie Armstrong Graves. She was their 2nd daughter and was followed by a brother before her parents divorced when she was about 6 and her mother married Buck Batte. Her father married Alma Robertson in 1945 and had three more children between 1947 and 1952. He stayed in Texas, so I doubt if there was much of a relationship between Janie and these three. Her mother married Buck Batte sometime before 1950 and to Janie, her older sister Bobbie, and her younger brother David to New Mexico. Buck and Jessie had two more children together, Bill Batte around 1950 and Linda Batte in the early 1950's.

I took a brief look at Buck. He was born in New Mexico in 1918 to William and Florence Batte and his father died in 1928 when he was 10. He was the 10th of 10 children with 2 older brothers and 7 older sisters, the oldest being a brother that was 20 years older. Buck served in WW2 and from the news articles that I read, he was quite a war hero earning both the Bronze Star and Purple Heart. Here is an article about his service:

PVT. WILLIAM BATTE SERVED WITH DISTINGUISHED GROUP Pvt. Wm. R. Batte, of Alamogordo served with the group referred to below, service history of which is taken in part from the Fort Smith, Ark., Record.

"A highly decorated Ninety Chemical Mortar battalion the first of its kind to be assigned to Camp Chaffee has arrived at the camp for redeployment training under the command of Lt Col. Gordon A. Dixon of St. Anthony, Idaho, according to Colonel J. P. Lyons of Sixteenth Headquarters, Special Troops, Fourth Army, "With 150 days of combat during 26 months in the European theatre, the battalion presidential citation awarded assisting in wiping out the Colmar pocket below Strasbourg. and three battle stars for Rome Arno, the Rhineland, and Central Germany. Three men wear the Silver Star, six have the Soldier's Medal, and 105 wear the Bronze Star, "The battalion has had its present designation since August, 1944. when it was deactivated the 442nd Anti- Aircraft Automotive Weapons battalion, It was activated as the 442nd at Fort Texas, June 1, 1942, training Fort Bliss, Camp Rucker, Al. and Camp Stewart, Ga.

The battalion's first overseas assignment was in North Africa where it landed on May, 1943. Here its principal duty was to furnish anti-aircraft protection for such porta as Algiers, Oran, Arzew and Mostagenem. It was after it was moved to Italy that it was designated a chemical mortar battalion and given intensive training near Leghorn. "In France, where it was sent next, the Ninety-ninth moved up to join the Seventh army in Saarburg, France, on the offensive to breach the Maginot line fortifications. During this time, the battalion served with infantry, armored, airborne divisions, and cavalry groups. The battalion's principal weapon is the 4.2 chemical mortar and it is classified as combat support troops.

Back to Lee. I'm not sure when he got married, but in 1959, he and Janie lost a child, Jerry Burke who had been born on 22 Aug 1959 and died on 15 Aug 1959. The next mention that I find is when he was on the building committee of the Alamogordo Baptist Church. In 1964, I noted that he was reported to be in Dallas and this is the reason: *PASTORAL CAREER PLANNED— Lee Hudman, a current member of the graduating class at Dallas Bible College, Dallas, TX, plans to enter the rural ministerial field, a full-page article in the school publication devoted to the Otero County native reveals. Hudman son of Mrs. J E Hudman, 1223 Eighth Street, believes his background in farming and ranching will aid him in his work*

among rural people. His wife and three children will accompany him to his ministerial post. The school paper detailed major experiences ft his life to date in the form of a narrative recounting events from his childhood to graduation day.

From this I note that by 1964, they had 3 surviving children which means that they had three kids in addition to son Jerry that died in 1959. With him being born in 1931, I suspect that he probably got married around 1950 to 1951. I know for certain that Rebecca Jean Hudman was born in Texas in 1962 and Robert Earl Hudman was born in Texas in 1964. This leads me to suspect that he may have had a first child in New Mexico in the mid 1950's and then there is a news article about a daughter, Martha Sue being born on 14 May 1969 in Alamogordo. There are also articles from 1969 about their daughter Paula breaking a leg. My hunch then is that Paula was the first born and Martha the final child, both in New Mexico.

A newspaper search finds the Hudmans in Weed and/or Pinon. NM in 1967. In 1968, they had kids competing in basketball. In 1969, Janie was in the hospital giving birth to Martha Sue. In 1969, they moved to La Luz, NM. Later that year they were reportedly in Sudan which appears to be a small town near Muleshoe, TX. While there, daughter Paula broke her leg. In 1972, they were in Des Moines, NM which is up near Raton. In 1977, they were in Raton. I cannot find anything after that until Lee's death last year in Feb 2024 at the age of 92. His obituary reads:

Franklin "Lee" Hudman, 92 went to be with The Lord on February 9, 2024, in Cloudcroft, NM. He was born April 18, 1931, four miles south of Cloudcroft in Hudman Canyon (later known as Pierce Canyon when the Forest Service put up the signs). He was born to Jesse Earl Hudman and Bessie Armina Scott Hudman.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jesse Earl Hudman and Bessie Armina Scott Hudman; his brothers, Jessie Luther Hudman (Clotha Hudman), Aril Edward Hudman (Beverly Hudman), Emmitt Milton Hudman (Carolyn Hudman), William "Bill" Scott Hudman (Polly Hudman); his first wife of 50 years Janie Hudman; son Jerry Burke Hudman (infant); his sons-in-law and Mark Mallard, and his daughter-in-law, Kay Hudman.

Lee served The Lord as a pastor for 40 years. The churches he pastored were: Lipscomb Community Church in Lipscomb, TX, Piñon Baptist Church in Piñon, NM, Sedan Baptist Church in Sedan, NM, Des Moines Baptist Church in Des Moines, NM, Betania Baptist Church in Raton, NM, Rosedale Baptist Church in Bellview, NM, Trinity Baptist Church in Lovington, NM, First Baptist Church Mountain Air in Mountain Air, NM, Clearwater Baptist Mission in Delta Junction, AK, and Reserve Baptist Church in Reserve, NM.

The funeral will be held at Mayhill Baptist Church in Mayhill, NM on February 16th at 1 PM preceded by visitation from 11 AM to 1 PM. There will be a graveside service at Lusk cemetery and a meal at the church following the graveside service.

Because of medical issues, please do not send flowers. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to The Baptist Convention of New Mexico for Missions New Mexico. The Hudman family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Scenic Chapel to direct the funeral services.

This notes, and death records confirm, that Janie died in Roswell on 19 May 2008 and this obituary suggests that Lee married again after Janie's death. If she died in 2008 and they had been married 50 years, that suggests a marriage in 1957-1958. I have not found any record or mention of who the 2nd wife might have been. He would have been 77 when she died and he lived an additional 15 years. He mentions his son who died in 1959 and two son's-in-law and a daughter-in-law suggesting that he had a son, probably Robert, that married someone named Kay, and that has died by 2024. He then has two son's-in-law suggesting that his two daughters, likely Paula and Rebecca or Martha, and suggests that they are also dead. Back to research. So far no luck. Still a few questions. **Update 2025** – I have determined that his 2nd wife was a much younger young lady Michele Ilene Schoeler. She was born probably in Illinois to Roger and Cora Schoeler. Her father had been born in Illinois to parents who had immigrated from Germany as Hitler began his ascent. She married Roger Welch in 1958, the son of a military man who had been stationed in Italy when Roger was born. Roger and Michelle had two sons in Alamogordo Timothy Welch 1996 and James Welch 1998. Their father died in 2013 so Lee and Michele would have married sometime after Roger's

death and would have had 2 teenage boys when they married and who would have 26 and 28 when he died. Michele is probably still living.

Children of Franklin Lee and Melva "Janie" Graves Hudman

467	Jerry Burke Hudman	1959	1959	Franklin and Melva's Child#1
468	Paula Hudman	1960?		Franklin and Melva's Child#2 - speculation
469	Rebecca Jean Hudman	1962		Franklin and Melva's Child#3
470	Robert Earl Hudman	1964		Franklin and Melva's Child#4
471	Martha Sue Hudman	1969		Franklin and Melva's Child#5 – from newspaper

Update 2025 – Beginning on 3 June 2025. I've been practicing this for awhile so maybe I will make some better findings about his children.

I found a more complete copy of his obituary which gives me some additional clues. The one on Findagrave had living people omitted. I also found Melva "Janie" Hudman's from 2008. Janie's reads.



Melva E. "Janie" Hudman, 70, of Weed, passed away Monday, May 19, 2008, at Nor-Lea General Hospital in Lovington. Mrs. Hudman was born March 10, 1938, in Stanton, Texas. She had lived in Weed since 2004 and was a member of the Weed Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband of 50 years, Franklin Lee Hudman, of the family home; a son, Robert Hudman and his wife Kay, of Sacramento, N.M.; three daughters, Paula Boughton and her husband Robbie, of Pueblo West, Colo., Rebecca Nagy, of Alamogordo, and Martha Porter and her husband Kenneth, of Lovington; 14 grandchildren; eight great-grand-children; a brother, William Batte, of Roswell; and two sisters, Barbara Wood, of Alamogordo, and Linda Becker and her husband Robert, of Mobile, Ala.

She was preceded in death by her mother and stepfather, Jessie (Armstrong) and William Robert "Buck" Batte; a son, Jerry Burke Hudman; and a brother, Don.

So, in 2008, son Robert was married to Kay and lived in Sacramento, NM. Paula was married to Robert Boughton and they lived in Colorado. Rebecca was married to someone named Nagy and they were in Alamogordo. Martha was married to Kenneth Porter and they were in Lovington. NM.

Franklin's full obituary reads in part:

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jesse Earl Hudman and Bessie Arminda Scott Hudman; his brothers, Jessie Luther Hudman (Clotha Hudman), Aril Edward Hudman (Beverly Hudman), Emmitt Milton Hudman (Carolyn Hudman), William "Bill" Scott Hudman (Polly Hudman); his first wife of 50 years Janie Hudman; son Jerry Burke Hudman (infant); his sons-in-law, Jeff Nagy and Mark Mallard, and his daughter-in-law, Kay Hudman.

He is survived by his second wife, Michele Hudman; sister, Francis Parlee Young (Leland Young); his children, Paula Beth Boughton (Robert Boughton), Rebecca Jean Mallard, Robert Earl Hudman, Martha Sue Porter (Kenneth Porter), Timothy John Welch, and James Michael Welch; grandchildren, Nathan Boughton, Matthew Boughton, Jessie Deane, Bonnie Boughton, Jennifer Clemons, Tiffany Murtland, Brianna Hudman, Anne Burke, Bobbie Montoya, Benny Montoya, Teresa Nixon, Brandon Porter, Brian Porter, Bethany Franklin; and 25 great-grandchildren.

Knowing that he had 4 surviving children, 3 daughters and a son we can deduce that Paula married Robert Boughton and that they had probably Nathan, Matthew, Jessie (married to someone named Deane) and Bonnie. Robert married someone named Kay who is deceased. (She was alive in 2007) Rebecca's had married Jeff Nagy who is deceased and she had married Mark Mallard who is also deceased. Some of the girls may be married children from his marriage. Martha married Kenneth Porter and Brandon, Brian, and Bethany Franklin are probably their kids. As much as they traveled, this may be a challenge. I'm suspecting that Timothy and James Welch are children of his 2nd wife Michelle. Let me explore.

467 Jerry Burk Hudman 22 AUG 1959 • New Mexico - 27 AUG 1959 • New Mexico

Lee and Janie lost their first child after only 5 days. He is buried in Alamogordo.

468 Paula Hudman 1960 • New Mexico – Living

Robert Boughton 1962 • New Mexico (uncertain) - Living

Marriage: Unknown

The first mention of Paula is from 1969 when she reportedly broke her leg in Alamogordo. In 1992 when her brother got married, she was married to Robert (Robbie) Boughton and living in Colorado. I have not been able to confirm it, but I think Robert was the son of Reverend Robert and Mary Boughton who was from Kansas and a minister. It seems that if this is the right person, he had siblings Elizabeth 1966 who married Douglas Bennett in 1987, brother Stuart 1964, Sister Johanna 1967 who married Phillip Stackpole in 1985. I am surprised that I have not found a marriage announcement for him. From the obituaries, it looks like they had Nathan, Matthew, Jessie (married to someone named Deane) and Bonnie. That is as much as I could find. No news articles from Colorado could be found.

469 Rebecca Jean Hudman 5 OCT 1962 • Dallas, TX - Living

#1 Jeff Nagy 1960 - AFT. 2008 • New Mexico

Marriage: Unknown

#2 Mark Wayne Mallard 18 FEB 1963 • Silver City, NM - 25 AUG 2018 • Kerrville, Kerr, Texas, USA

Marriage. After 2009

Mostly a dry hole for Jeff Nagy. Rebecca was married to him in 2008 and he was dead before 2024. In 2024, she appears as Rebecca Mallard and Mark is deceased as is Jeff. I was a little more successful with Mark. His obituary from 2018 and other research, tells us that he was originally married to Kimberly Ann Sanders in Louisiana and that they had a son Bill and daughter Felecia who was married to Brandon Weeks.

Mark Wayne Mallard, 55, went to join the Lord on Aug. 25, 2018. He was born on Feb 18, 1963



in Silver City, New Mexico to William Robert Mallard and Gailene (Morgan) Mallard. Mark was a master auto mechanic and loved working on cars. He joined taking long rides on his motorcycle. He is preceded in death by his parents. Mark is survived by his loving wife, Rebecca Mallard; children, Bill Mallard and Felecia Mallard (Brandon); grandchildren, Matthew, Emily and Natalie; sister, Victoria Sanders (Rob); numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Mark

Wayne Mallard please visit our Sympathy Store.

This would suggest that Rebecca and Mark married sometime after the death of his wife in 2009 and the death of her husband, Jeff Nagy. That could be anywhere between 2008 and 2017. I could not find any newspapers listings for Jeff, Rebecca Nagy, or Rebecca Mallard apart from the obituaries. This is as much as I have discovered.

470 Robert Earl Hudman 26 SEP 1964 • Dallas, TX – Living

#1 Unknown

#2 Amelia Kay Hooten 22 NOV 1952 • Uvalde, TX - 7 AUG 2018 • Weed, Otero, NM

Marriage: 1992 • Alamogordo, NM



Robert was the only surviving son of Lee and Janie arriving in Dallas in my sister's birthday in 1964. (only 15 years later). He graduated from Grady High School in 1982 and must have married shortly thereafter as he and his unknown wife had a daughter Brianna in about 1982. In the mid 1980's, he joined the Air Force. He appeared as an NCO stationed at Holloman AFB in 1989 which meant he had been in

a few years. He was an MP assigned to a Security Attachment. In 1992, this wedding announcement appeared:

It has been reported that Robert Hudman and Kay Hooten Montoya planned their wedding for Oct. 17. Robert's father, Lee Hudman, planned to conduct the wedding at the Cloudecroft Baptist church. The bride is the daughter of Mabel and the late Ross Hooten of Mayhill. The groom is the son of Lee and Janie Hudman of Della Junction, Alaska. Lee Hudman was minister for the Baptist Church at Pinon when Robert was a small child. Ross Hooten was minister for the Church of Christ and worked in the Church of Christ at Pinon.

Amelia's name suggests that she had been married previously and in looking further, I found that She had married Freddy Montoya in 1971 in El Paso when she was 18 and they had 4 children before divorcing. She died in 2018, so let's look at her obituary.

Amelia Kay Hudman peacefully went to be with the lord on 8-7-18 in Weed Sacramento N.M. She was born 11/22/1952. She was grateful and blessed to have been adopted by Ross and Mable Hooten with a brother Lee H and sister Geraldine B. She was raised in a very loving Christian home. She had an amazing smile and addicting laugh. She touched many lives through out school. As time came to pass, she married Freddy Montoya being married for 18 years and was blessed with 4 children Ann B, Bobby M, Benny M, Teresa N., the marriage did end with Freddie and she moved home with her mother Mable.

She Later came to meet and fall in love with Robert Hudman and married October 17, 1992 gaining a step daughter Brianna H. She loved to go dancing and be around people. Everyone she came into contact with she loved, and always lit up the room her hugs were contagious. She deeply loved her kids and grandbabies very much. She is preceded in death by her mother Mable Hooten Kerman CA. Survivors List include Tom Jordan Hondo TX, Husband Robert Hudman Sacramento NM, Ann and Billy Burk Alamogordo NM plus Anns daughter Kathryn M, Bobby and Jessie and their two kids Magalia CA (son), Benny and Kaylee and their 5 kids Alamogordo NM (son), Teresa and Keith Nixson Floyd NM (daughter), Brianna H. Portales NM (step daughter), Lee H. Chouis CA (brother). With eleven grandkids total.

A graveside service for A. Kay Hudman will be held at Lask's Watts in Sacramento NM on the day of 8/16/2018 Minister Gordon Issacs from Weed Baptist Church will present the ceremony. Pallbearers; Bobby Montoya, Benny Montoya, Billy Burk, Bryan Porter, Brandon Porter, Rodger McMurdie, Honorary Pallbearers; Tye and Jay Luzano. Should friends desire, contributions may be made to Hamilton O'Dell F.H. for assistance with coasts. The Hudman family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Hamilton O'Dell funeral home to direct funeral services.

Here we find info about her kids and find that Robert has a daughter, Brianna who is married to someone named Portales. We also find that Lee and Janie had moved to Alaska at this point in his ministry.

Child of Robert Hudman and unknown spouse

974	Brianna Hudman	1984	Robert Hudman and unknown wife
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471 Martha Sue Hudman 7 MAY 1969 • Alamogordo, NM - Living

Kenneth Clay Porter FEB 1969 • New Mexico - Living

Married: about 1988



Lee and Jamie's final child was Marth Sue whose birth was noted in the paper in Alamogordo in May 1969.

I have not had much success in researching Martha apart from her being mentioned in her 1992 brother's wedding announcement and in her parents' obituaries which all have her married to Kenneth Porter and living in Lovington, NM which is a small town north of Hobbs near the Texas border. Kenneth appears to have been born and raised in Lovington, but there is no newspaper or yearbook from that area. I found Martha as a junior at Grady HS in Clovis NM in 1986 and that is the last yearbook online.

From the obituaries, I suspect that Brandon, Brian, and Bethany Franklin are probably their kids, but I cannot confirm that due to the lack of NM birth records and no newspapers. I did find birth records for Brandon and Brian in Texas. Brandon was born in Andrews and that was probably the nearest hospital from little Lovington. Brian was born in Yoakum which is in central Texas by Hallettsville. Maybe Kenneth had family there. That is about all I can find.

Children of Martha Hudman and Kenneth Porter

975	Brandon Alexander Porter	1990	Martha Hudman and Kenneth Porter's child#1
976	Brian Wade Porter	1992	Martha Hudman and Kenneth Porter's child#2
977	Bethany Porter	1994	Martha Hudman and Kenneth Porter's child#3

This completes my study of Lee and Janie Graves Hudman's family. It was completed on 4 June 2025.

184. Frances Paralee Hudman 18 Apr 1940 • Clondcroft, NM - Living

#1 Donald Lee Wallace 21 APR 1938 • Bokoshe, OK - 23 JUN 1984 • Odessa, TX

Married: 11 Jan 1959 • Alamogordo, NM (at her brother's home)

#2 Leland Eugene Young about 1940 - Texas

Married: 14 Sep 1986 – Belview, TX (married by her brother Lee)



Frances's high school photo from 1958 and 1959. Frances was in Alamogordo. Donald's obituary photo from 1984.

It looks like Jessie and Bessie gave it one last shot at a daughter and struck paydirt with the arrival of Frances in Apr 1940. While I have no evidence to support it, I wonder if perhaps she was adopted. (Update 2025 – Fran assured me that she was not adopted.) I say this because Bessie was 39 in 1940 and that is pretty old to be having children, I think. She appears in the 1940 Census when she was a month old and then again in 1950 when she was 9. By that time, she and Lee were the only two children left at home. She probably had little memories of her older brothers being away at war, but may have gotten to be a flower girl when they got back and got married. Information about here in the newspapers is pretty scarce. She was mentioned for having excellent attendance at school when she was nearing graduation in 1958 and then she went on to graduate that year and the following January she married Donald Wallace at the home of her brother Lee. She was working for the Otero State Bank, and Don was working road construction in the Black Range near Magdalena. In Dec 1962, Frances was released from the hospital after giving birth to a son who I presume to be Lee Edward Wallace mentioned in his father's biography.

Donald died in Odessa in 1984 and his obituary reads:

Donald Wallace ALAMORGORDO, N.M.

Services for Donald Lee Wallace, 46, 10801 Palomino Drive, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Tuesday at Hamilton Funeral Home. Burial is to be in Monte Vista Cemetery. Mr. Wallace was born April 21, 1938, in Bokoshe, Okla. He died Saturday in a traffic accident. He lived in Odessa three years, moving here from Alamogordo. He worked as a truck driver for E.L. Farmer Co. He was a member of Temple Baptist Church in Alamogordo.

He is survived by his wife, Frances, of Odessa; one son, Lee Edward Wallace of Odessa; two brothers, Leonard Wallace of Albuquerque, NM., and Luther Wallace of El Paso; three half-brothers, Cecil Wallace of Tyler, Leo Couch and James Couch of Weatherford; two half-sisters, Lula Snow of Oklahoma and Shirley Couch of Carlsbad, N.M. The body will lie in state at Easterling-Wilson Funeral Home until Monday morning.

From this we learn that Frances and Donald lived in New Mexico until about 1981 and then moved to Odessa. I have not found his death certificate but he died in a traffic accident. It does give me some clues about his family which of course sent me down another rabbit hole which proved to be interesting. His father appears to be Elmer Burcy Wallace who was initially married to Alta Goldena Brown and had three children with her - Lula Ella Wallace 1912–2002, Leonard R Wallace 1918–2000, and Cecil Floyd Wallace 1921 – 2004. Alta died in 1923, and he married Bertha Dorothy Hecker or Haecker. They show up in the 1930 Census with Lula, Leonard, and Cecil plus a new child, Luther L. born in Dec 1922 in Oklahoma. Then in 1940 Bertha appears with her new husband Walter Oliver with Luther and Donald in Maricopa, AZ. This gets a little confusing because even though he is called Luther Wallace in 1930 and 1940, Oklahoma school records show home to be Luther Rhoads. This suggests that Bertha had a brief marriage before marrying Elmer, or that Luther was adopted. In the school records his father is listed as E. B. Wallace and his siblings are Lula, Leonard, and Cecil.

Elmer died in Oklahoma in Sep 1937 and Donald was born there in Apr 1938 which suggests that Bertha must have been pregnant with him when her husband died. In Dec 1937, Bertha then married Walter Couch and they must have moved to New Mexico because in Oct 1940, a son, Leo Daniel Couch, was born in Pie Town, NM. As I mentioned above in the 1940 Census, they were in Maricopa. Walter Couch registered for the draft there in Pie Town, NM Oct 1940 about the time that Leo was born. They must have moved back to Oklahoma, because there is a school attendance record for Donald Couch with a father Walter Couch in 1947.

There are a couple of records that suggest that Donald and Frances may have divorced as marriage records show that he married a Janice Wallace in 1977 and then divorced in 1979 followed by a marriage and divorce from Carol Lee Duncan in 1979 and 1983. Both of these occurred in nearby Midland, TX. This may be a different Donald because Frances is mentioned in his obituary. (**Update 2025** – I had a long call with Frances on Memorial Day. She and Donald never divorced so that was another Donald Wallace) She married Leland Eugene Young after Don's death and both are still living in Lubbock as of May 2025).

I have not found anything further about Frances. It appears that their son Leon married Bobbie Jo Elliot in 1962 and divorced in 2001 after having a child in Lubbock. I suspect that Frances is probably still living in Lubbock near her son.

Update 2025 – I have been in contact with Fran in recent weeks and she is in fact still living in Lubbock with her 2nd husband Leland Young who she married in 1986 after Donald's death. Her wedding was performed by her brother Lee. I have not found details about Leland. At the time of this writing in June 2025, she is 85 and doing well.

Child of Frances Paralee and Donald Wallace

472	Lee Edward Wallace	1962	Son of Frances and Donald
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472 Lee Edward Wallace 12 AUG 1969 • Alamogordo, Otero, NM – Living

#1 Bobbie Jo Elliott 28 MAR 1971 • Lubbock, TX – Living

Marriage: 7 Dec 1992 • Lubbock, TX – Divorce: 12 Feb 2001 • Lubbock, TX – 2 children

#2 Lisa Kaye Moore 23 OCT 1974 • De Witt, TX – Living

Marriage: Mar 2005 • DeWitt County, TX – Divorce: 19 Feb 2014 • DeWitt, TX – no children

Lee was the only child born to Fran and Donald Wallace before his untimely death in 1984 after moving from Alamogordo to Odessa in 1983. Lee would have been 14 when his father died. In 1992 when he was 23, he married Bobbie Jo Elliot in Lubbock and they had 2 daughters, Jaymi in 1993 and Nikki in 1995. Bobbie was the daughter of Anthony L. Elliott (1943–2013) and Laveta Jo Bonds (1944–1990). She appears to have married several times before and after her divorce from Lee as in Nikki's obituary her name is given as Bobbie Jo Elliott Wallace Fowler Taylor suggesting that she married men named Fowler and Taylor.

Lee married a 2nd time in 2005 to Lisa Moore and they were married about 9 years before divorcing with no children. My records show that she was previously married to Jackie Lee Reeder in 1993 and had

at least two children with him, Ricky Lee Reeder 1994 and Melanie Nichole Reeder 1995. I do not know if she brought these children to her marriage with Lee. Daughter Nikki died recently in Lubbock and her obituary is below.



Nikki Storm Wallace passed away unexpectedly at Covenant Medical Center on August 11, 2024 in Lubbock Tx at the age of 29.

Nikki was born on June 12, 1995 in Woodward Oklahoma to Bobbie Jo Wallace (Fowler, Taylor) and Lee Wallace. She graduated from Lubbock Cooper High School in 2013. She worked several jobs while in school, however her last job was at the Funky Door, only to be laid off due to covid.

Left to cherish her memory are her Grandparents Leland and Fran Young of Lubbock Tx. Mother Bobbie Jo Elliott Wallace Fowler Taylor of Lubbock Tx. Father Lee Wallace of Lubbock Tx. Four sisters of Lubbock Tx Brittany Jo Elliot, Kaylyn Furrish, Jaymi Wallace, Tahpanga Shrum and her husband Bailey Shrum. Five nieces, four being from Lubbock Tx, Jae Elliott, Kymberlee Wallace, Brooklynn Poitra, And Bonnie-Jo. One nephew Michael Elliott- Newton of LA California.

A celebration of life will held at a later time and date. Thank you to all who have prayed for and supported us during this season in our lives.

980	Jaymi Lee Wallace	1994		Lee and Billie Jo Elliot Wallace's child#1
981	Nikki Storm Wallace	1995	2024	Lee and Billie Jo Elliot Wallace's child#2

This completes my study of the family of Jesse Earl and Bessie Scott Hudman. It was completed on 13 Oct 2024 and as usual, any corrections, updates, and suggestions can be sent to rbills_houston@yahoo.com.

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