

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



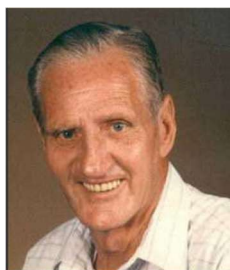
Jesse and Bessie Hudman - posted by Mary Porter on Ancestry – her grandparents

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	XXXX	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

447	Carolyn Elaine Hudman	1947	1976	Jesse and Clotha Child#1
448	Viola K Hudman	1949	2022	Jesse and Clotha Child#2
449	Janet Hudman	1952		Jesse and Clotha Child#3
450	Wanda F Hudman	1954		Jesse and Clotha Child#4

180. Aril Edward Hudman 22 JUN 1922 • Cloudcroft, 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 Cloudcroft after the family moved from Russian Canyon. He appears at home in Cloudcroft 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 Cloudcroft. 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 oi 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 1981but 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

451	Sherry Hudman	1946		Aril and Beverly's Child#1
452	Leslie Kay Hudman	1952	2023	Aril and Beverly's Child#2

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 the 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. Ronnie and Delores appear in the 1950 Census with her parents. 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 large, 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. 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. Ooop! 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 Cloudfcroft, 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.

452.2	Ron Henderson	1949	Delores and Clyde - Child#1
452.3	Kay Henderson Perrin	1950	Delores and Clyde - Child#2
453	Wanda Pauline Hudman	1952	Emmett and Delores Child #1
454	Leana Dawn Hudman	1953	Emmett and Delores Child #2
455	Vickie Hudman Johnson	1965	Emmett and Carolyn?
456	Brenda Hudman Bry	1967	Emmett and Carolyn?

182. William 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?

#2 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

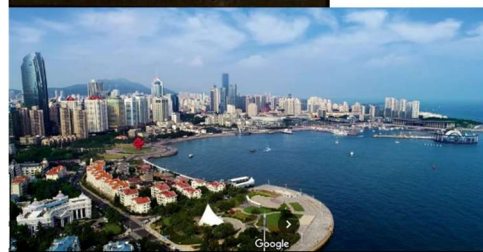
The 4th child and 4th son for Jesse and Bessie arrived a couple of weeks before Christmas 1925 in Cloudcroft where he joined his 3 big brothers as low man on the totem pole

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 records 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 married 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 – I have been able to find the 3 younger siblings and they are shown below with their birthdates.

Children of William “Bill” Hudman and Polly Smith and perhaps another wife

457	Nancy E Hudman	1949		William and Ollie's child#1
458	Barbara Jean Hudman	1949	2012	William and Ollie's child#2
459	Milton George Hudman	1953		William and Ollie's child#3
460	Florence Kay Hudman (Stueve)	1958		William and Ollie's child#4
461	Larry S Hudman	1961		William and Ollie's child#5
462	Vernon Hudman	1964		William and Ollie's child#6

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

Melva Eugenia "Janie" Graves 10 MAR 1938 • Martin County, TX - 19 MAY 2008 • Roswell, NM

Married: about 1958, New Mexico



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 ports as Algiers, Oran, Arzew and Mostaganem. 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 of 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 Arminda Scott Hudman.

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 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 – From news articles, we know that a son Jerry was born and died in 1959 and that Martha Sue was born in New Mexico in 1969. We also read that when Lee was in Dallas Bible School in 1964, and I found Robert's birth certificate in 1964 in Dallas. I then found this more complete obituary for Lee. The additional information reads: *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.*

This tells us that daughter Paula is married to Robert Boughton. Rebecca Jean is or was married to someone named Mallard (and he may be the other deceased son-in-law). Robert Earl's wife Kay was mentioned as being deceased. Martha Sue is married to Kenneth Porter. Timothy John Welch and James Michael Welch are likely the sons of his 2nd wife, Michele. Paula has at least 2 children, Matthew and Bonnie and perhaps a married daughter Jessie. I need more research for Jennifer Clemons, Tiffany Murtland, and Brianna (who I believe is Robert's daughter from a first marriage). I am pretty sure that Anne Burke, Bobby, Benny, and Teresa are Robert's stepchild from his 2nd marriage). Martha Sue has at least two sons, Brandon and Brian and perhaps a married daughter, Jessie.

I then found that Robert did in fact marry Amelia Kay Hooten in 1992 and she died in 2018. Her obituary reads:

AMELIA KAY HUDMAN

November 22, 1952 - August 7, 2018

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 Ann's 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.- Portalas, 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 costs. The Hudman family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Hamilton O'Dell funeral home to direct funeral services.

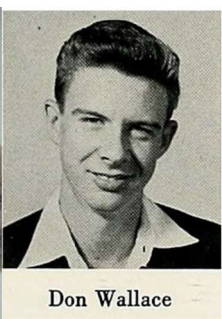
This confirms that Brianna was Robert's daughter and confirms all of the Montoya kids.

Children of Franklin Lee and Melva "Janie" Graves Hudman

463	Jerry Burke Hudman	1959	1959	Franklin and Melva's Child#1
464	Paula Hudman	1960?		Franklin and Melva's Child#2
465	Rebecca Jean Hudman	1962		Franklin and Melva's Child#3
466	Robert Earl Hudman	1964		Franklin and Melva's Child#4
467	Martha Sue Hudman	1969		Franklin and Melva's Child#5

184. Frances Paralee Hudman MAR 1940 • Cloudercroft, NM - Living

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



Frances and Donald's high school photos from 1958 and 1959. Frances was in Alamogordo, and Donald in Odessa. 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 March 1940. While I have no evidence to support it, I wonder if perhaps she was 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

HUDMAN, FRANCES
"Who, me? What did I say?"
Library Club 3, 4; Art 1, 2.

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 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 so I do not know the cause of his death. 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 Golden 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.

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.

Child of Frances Paralee and Donald Wallace

468	Lee Edward Wallace	1962	Son of Frances and Donald
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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.

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

Not a lot of evidence for this child. In 1910 Census Sophronia had 9 children with 7 surviving.

49. Ernest Hudman 1892 • New Mexico - DEATH 1895 • New Mexico

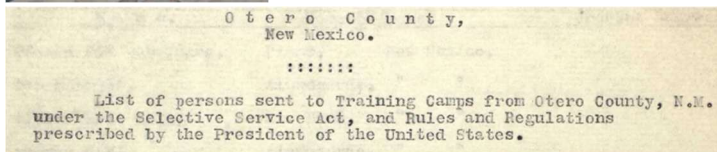
Not a lot of evidence for this child. In 1910 Census Sophronia had 9 children with 7 surviving.

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

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



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



Eddie was the 3rd child of Sophronia and Benjamin. He appears in the 1910 Census at home, and then in 1920 he is listed as a forest ranger in the Lincoln National Forest. While it says that he was a rancher, various new stories and documents seem to suggest that he was working as a ranger. When he was 24, he registered for the WW1 Draft which showed him to be farming and working as a fire guard in the Lincoln National Forest. It also indicated that he had 2 years of military training in school. He was tall and slender with blue eyes and light

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

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

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

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

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

In the 1930 Census, Ophelia and son Arthur were back in Pasadena with Eddy's brother Vaughn and her mother-in-law Sophronia and son Arthur. She was listed as a servant. Vaughn was not yet married and was a mailman. The lived at 2089 East Colorado St. She seems to have returned to Texas and married someone named M. L. Holcomb before her premature death of heart failure at the age of 33 in San Angelo, TX. She was living at 1718 S. Van Buren, San Angelo at the time of her death. I think that M. L. was Menard Lee Holcomb who in 1930 was a 31-year-old widower with three young children.

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

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

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

Child of Eddy and Ophelia

185 Arthur Vaughn Hudman 1928 2009 Emmett and Ophelia's Child

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Surname	Given Name	Relation to Head of House	Gender	Race	Age	Birth Year	Marital Status	Attended School	Highest Grade Completed	Birthplace	Citizenship	Residence City in 1935	Occupation
1940 Census	1021 Utah	Alamogordo, Otero, New Mexico			20	Yes							
Billups	Edward Young	Head	Male	White	65	1875	Married	No	High School, 4th year	Texas		Alamogordo	Contractor
Billups	Minnie Hudman	Wife	Female	White	45	1895	Married	No	High School, 3rd year	New Mexico		Alamogordo	
Billups	Eugene	Son	Male	White	21	1919	Single	No	High School, 4th year	New Mexico		Alamogordo	Carpenter Helper
Billups	Charles	Son	Male	White	17	1923	Single	Yes	High School, 3rd year	New Mexico		Alamogordo	
Billups	Ruth	Daughter	Female	White	14	1926	Single	Yes	Elementary school, 7th grade	New Mexico		Alamogordo	
Billups	Albert	Son	Male	White	11	1929	Single	Yes	Elementary school, 4th grade	New Mexico		Alamogordo	
Billups	Paraly	Daughter	Female	White	5	1938	Single	No	None	New Mexico		Alamogordo	
Billups	Fanny Bell	Daughter	Female	White	1	1939	Single	No	None	New Mexico			

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

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

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

Ed's obituary is below:

Heart Attack Fatal to Ed Y. Billups

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

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

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

Rites Pending For Pioneer Area Lady

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

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

Children of Minnie and Edward Billups

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

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



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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Ollie and Robert's Child

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



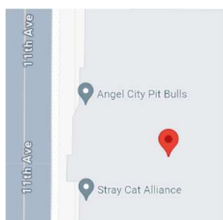
Some nice photos of Mary and Oscar from my 3rd Cousin DMayer on FamilySearch

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

where his father was a hotel keeper.

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dora died in Payson in 1982 and her obituary reads:

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

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

Children of Dora and Oscar

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Children of Benjamin and Ruby

202	Eric Newton Hudman	1922	2000	Ben and Ruby's Child#1
203	Leona Lenore Hudman	1923	2012	Ben and Ruby's Child#2
204	Ina Hudman	1927		Ben and Ruby's Child#3
205	Infant Hudman	1938	1938	Ben and Ruby's Child#4

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



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

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

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

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

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



Anyway, her mother seems to have married Dee Willis Allen quite young, and then they separated after having birthed Marylou and she married William Washington Wossum before 1920 and had a son, William Cleo Wossum, with him. By 1930, she was back with her first husband, Dee Willis Allen, after the death of William Wossum in 1920. The 1940 Census found Vaughn and Marylou and their newly arrived children, Laura Llewellyn Hudman 1933 and Rosemary Hudman 1937. His nephew Arthur was still with



them as Arthur's mother had remarried and returned to Texas. Also present were Marylou's parents. Vaughn was still working as a mailman. You can see their education levels below. They lived at 400 North Sierra Madre Blvd and owned their house which was worth \$6000. Here it is today right at the corner of IH210 and San Gabriel Blvd. His father-in-law was working as a foreman and his mother-in-law was a nurse. His girls were too young to have started school, but nephew Arthur had finished 3rd grade.

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

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

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

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

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

Children of Vaughn and Marylou Hudman

206	Laura Llewellyn Hudman	1933	Vaughn and Mary's child#1
207	Rosemary Hudman	1940	Vaughn and Mary's child#2

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

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