

Book 9: The Elliotts of Devon and Oxford County

James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence Family

Preface: Thomas was the eighth child of John and Mary Elliott. To review their lives in Devon, the trip to Canada and their life here, refer to

Book 1

The Devonshire Elliott/Seldon/Prouse/Hamlyn/Wilson Families of 1843 Ingersoll and surrounding townships

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IRC – Ingersoll Rural Cemetery

Con – Concession

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Child of John Elliott and Mary Elliott

Eighth Child: James

B 28 Mar 1824 probably Bradworthy, Hartland, Devon
 D 17 May 1905 West Oxford "Maplewood Farm" buried IRC
 M 16 Dec 1852 Home District (York, Peel, Durham)

Spouse: Sarah Catherine Lawrence

B 28 Jun 1832 Gore, York, Toronto, Ont.
 D 19 Nov 1914 London, Ont. Buried IRC



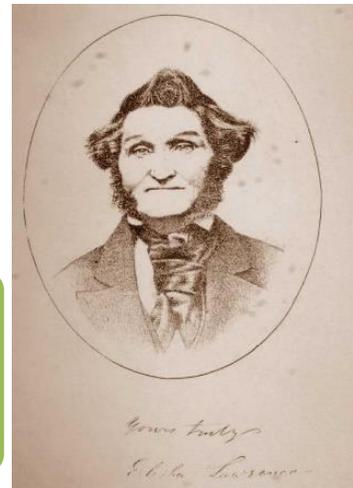
Photo: James and Sarah Elliott 1902

James was the third son and eighth known child of John and Mary Elliott (see Book 1) He was born in Devon and made the trip to Upper Canada in 1843 with his mother, father and some of his siblings. Other siblings came later or were already in Upper Canada. He probably was living in Durham County Upper Canada just east of Toronto with his mother and younger brother while his father and older brothers prepared the new Oxford County home. James married Sarah Lawrence of Gore (Durham) in 1852 after James had moved to Oxford Co. How James and Sarah might have met may be an interesting conjecture. Did they know each other when James was living in

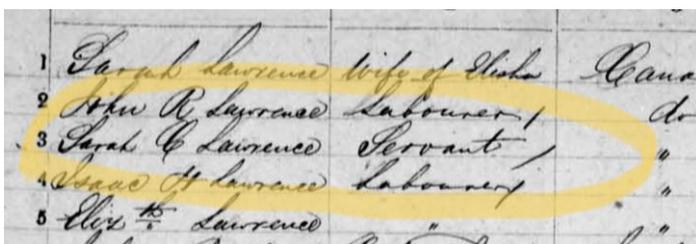
Durham county 8 years previously? She would have been about 11 years old to his 20 years of age in 1844. He was 28 and she was 20 years old when married in Durham Co. Did he court her long distance? Did he wait until she was of age to consent to marriage?

Sarah was the youngest child of prominent Durham citizen Lieutenant Elisha Lawrence. According to census records, Elisha was born in New Brunswick in 1800. His spouse Sarah Devlin was born in Upper Canada. He was a

*Lieutenant
 Elisha Lawrence
 Father of Sarah*

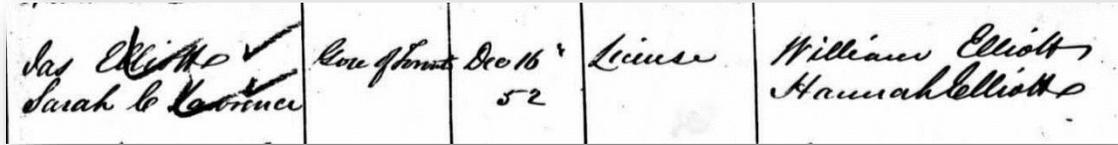


farmer at Lot 9 Con 2 of the Northern District of Gore. The 1851 census notes they lived in a stone house, a rare feature in the farming country at that time. How Elisha earned his Lieutenant designation is not known.



In the 1851 census – Sarah was listed as being an 18-year-old servant.

The witnesses to James Elliott's wedding may have a significant relationship to the Oxford Elliotts. Speculation could lead to the conclusion William and Hannah Elliott were Devon Elliott relatives already living in Vaughan, Scarboro or Durham. It is known that the area was teaming with Devon Elliotts. Further investigation found that William and Hannah Elliott had a daughter named Maria who later married Thomas Seldon (Book 4). James Elliott was Thomas Seldon's uncle.



Ancestry.ca speculation assumed that this William Elliott was James's brother as both Williams shared the same birth year. He too had a daughter named Maria. This speculation can be put to rest as noted in the following.

Marriage Index City of Toronto/York.

William Elliott		Spouse	
BIRTH	1819 Devon, England		Hannah Hill Elliott 1811-1879
DEATH	19 Jan 1899 (aged 79-80) Toronto, Toronto Municipality, Ontario, Canada		
BURIAL	Mount Pleasant Cemetery Toronto, Toronto Municipality, Ontario, Canada		
PLOT	Plot F, Section 3S, Lot 6		
MEMORIAL ID	120748034 · View Source		
Children			
	Maria Elliott Seldon 1846-1909		
	Caroline Elizabeth Elliott Lander 1848-1896		
	Amelia Catharine Elliott Sparling 1852-1928		
	William Albert Elliott 1854-1930		

It is probable James traveled to Oxford County around 1844. If so, he settled with his parents in their log house in West Zorra township, clearing the land. Unfortunately, I cannot locate James in the 1851 population census. The 1851 (it was taken in 1852) Agricultural census has him farming 25 acres at Con 1 Lot 25 In West Oxford. His 1852 wedding index has him listed as living in Gore York (Toronto). It is possible that he did not move to Oxford until the early 1850s. Instead remaining close to his future wife.

Onland.ca confirms that on the 20th of July 1855, James Elliott (age 31) and wife purchased 200 acres of Con 2, Lot 24 West Oxford from a Morgan Baldwin who held a mortgage.

West Oxford: Lot No. 24, in the 2nd Concession.

INST.	DATE.	REGISTRY.	GRANTOR.	GRANTEE.	QUANTITY.	CONC'N.	
Patent	30 June 1825		The Crown	John Speed, Baldwin	200 acres		All,
1348	20 July 1855	20 July 1855	Morgan Baldwin	James Elliott	200 "		Richard
			Subject to the interests (if any) that the present occupant of the said lot holds therein.				
Mortgage	21 July 1855	21 July 1855	James Elliott + Wife	Morgan Baldwin	100 acres	2500	Richard
1348	21 Dec 1855	27 Feb 1861	James Elliott + Wife	Thomas Prouse	50 "		1/2 (to
Confr. fr. de	21 May 1862	21 June 1862	Morgan Baldwin	James Elliott			Richard
Part. de	11 Sept 1864	19 Aug 1864	John Speed Baldwin	Richard Baldwin, Thomas P.			Richard

As noted in his older sisters' histories, James' farm was a small walk north on Culloden Rd (Highway 10) from Eliza and her husband's Charles Wilson farm. James sold the west half (50 acres) of his lot to another sister Mary and Thomas Prouse in May of 1862. They were landholders very nearby after their later arrival from Devon in 1846. James' name was still attached to the property until at least 1864 via mortgages. Throughout his life he continued to purchase farm land in the region.

The 1863 Oxford Gazetteer had James as one of the owners of property in the Centerville area of W Oxford. He owned part of a lot on Broken Front (BF) concession (broken refers to the fact that the lot lines ended at the meandering Thames River and thus has no straight border on the north side). This was Lot 17 BF Concession of W Oxford. His brothers Thomas and William and brother-in-law William Seldon also owned part of the land that ran through Centerville. In the 1880's and 1890's James also, at times, owned part of Con 2 Lot 18 in W Oxford and portions of farms in N Oxford just north of his sister Maria Seldon, and also near his brother Thomas north across the river from Centerville. His questionable legal maneuvering to acquire his younger brother Samuel's property in W Zorra is discussed later in this history.

Ingersoll Chronicle article Mar 14, 1862

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

On Saturday last Mr James Elliott of Centerville met with a serious, though, we are pleased to say, not fatal accident. It appears that as he was driving down the hill near the house of Mr Rothwell, a log got loose upon the sleigh, when he fell off, the log rolling upon him, inflicting serious injury to his spinal column. Mr Elliott, we are glad to learn, is doing well, and his recovery is hopefully looked for.

James and family show up consistently throughout the different 10-year censuses in the Oxford area. By 1901 they had moved from W Oxford to N Oxford according to the census. The McGill University map project showed that James owned 2 lots in North Oxford. They were Con 2 Lot 5 (150 acres)— adjacent to a property of brother John, and Con 3 Lot 14 (100 acres) on the eastern outskirts of Ingersoll beside his brother Thomas' homestead. In fact, in 1867, his two parcels of land in North Oxford and his original homestead at Con 2 Lot 24 West Oxford and another 200 acres at Con 2 Lot 17 and 65 acres at Con 2 Lot 18 of W

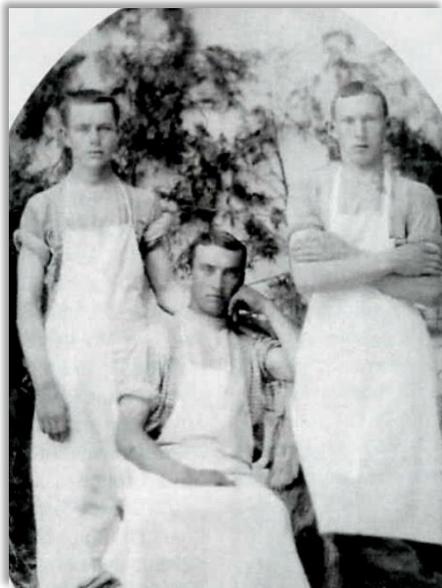
Oxford totaled over 600 acres of land. He would be considered a large landowner of the day. As mentioned, he and his wife may have resided at the Con 3 Lot 14 N Oxford residence during 1901, as others on the 1901 census list are recognized as families living on the Con 3 N Oxford road. It appears

his son James Rizeau Elliott became the owner/co owner of some of the West Oxford properties just prior to James's death. Of interest is that during the 1860's – 1880's the brothers Samuel, Thomas and James were found all over the deed and mortgage papers for Lots 14 and 15 Con 2 of North Oxford. I will leave it to someone else to explain the benefits of all this legal jockeying in property transactions. Farmers were as much land speculators as farmers in the era. By the late 1920's most of these properties were no longer in their hands as the brothers were now retired and living in Ingersoll or at Codys Corners in W Zorra.

As mentioned previously, the Elliott brothers and nephew Richard Seldon appear to have bought several properties in the Centreville area. Centerville was a thriving smaller community just east of Ingersoll on the plank road to Beachville and Woodstock. Centerville at that time had several mills, blacksmiths and businesses. At one time it was in the running to usurp Ingersoll as the main town of the area. I believe that the Elliott's purchased several lots with the intention of subdividing into them into house lots. This strikes to me as a land speculation move akin to their father's St John Street subdivision in Ingersoll (Book 1). The Onland website supports the argument as the properties were constantly being redivided through many property transactions. Below is the list of owners of the West Oxford property according to the W J Martin Agricultural Census of 1861 on Rootsweb.ca

Elliott, James	B.F.	Lot 17
Elliott, Thos.	B.F.	Lot 15
Elliott, Wm.	B.F.	Lot 15

James was also listed as a teacher on some censuses. I have not located any schools that he may have taught at in the Ingersoll area but am intrigued by the how he came about the occupation.



(Photo l-r): Samuel's sons Frederick and Arthur, and nephew (and son-in-law) Edwin Elliott wearing cheese factory aprons while working at Sam's Elliott Family Cheese Factory Lot 7 Con 1, West Zorra. Note: Arthur was 7 years younger than brother Frederick and son-in-law Edwin was 14 years older than Arthur. I disagree with Ancestry.ca identification of the boys and feel it would be Arthur on the left, Fred seated and Edwin to the right.

James' brother Samuel's family book (Book 10) has an edited excerpt regarding a conflict over Samuel's cheese factory in 1886. Following is a condensed version to give you some context of the sibling conflict.

This major family feud reads like fiction. This description of events was relayed by Samuel Elliott family relative Catherine Auty via Ancestry and is referred to as the Elliott family feud. "Samuel Elliott (1826-1908), younger brother of James, was born into the farming family in Devon and spent his teenage

years on Lot 7, Concession 1, W Zorra. It was from his cheese-making ventures that he became better known - for better or for worse. He seems to have come by his interest in cheese honestly. His sister Eliza married Charles Wilson (Book 5) and was responsible for starting the Charles Wilson Cheese Factory in Dereham Township. As well, Samuel married into the cheese-making Walker family of Lot 5, Concession 2 W Zorra township. Mary Ann Walker's mother, Hannah (Lloyd) Walker, had mastered the art of cheese-making while growing up in a Pennsylvania Dutch home.

Fluctuating prices in the 1880s made it tough for the likes of cheese-makers such as Samuel Elliott. So,

on July 2, 1888, he signed an agreement with William Ewart to protect his properties from creditors. The properties included in the agreement were W Zorra Lot 7 Concession 1; Lot 6 Concession 5; and his 66 acres on Lot 8 Concession 2, which he had bought in 1877. As planned, William Ewart filed a quick claim against the properties, but then, on July 5, 1888, he betrayed Samuel by selling Lot 7 Concession 1, and Lot 8 Concession 2, to Samuel's brother James Elliott.

On Dec. 10, 1888, James Elliott agreed to sell the West Zorra Cheese Factory to James Ireland. That's when matters began to heat up."

Editor's note: The sale only involved the property the factory was on and not the entire farm land. The deception by William Ewart and James' actions to sell grated on Samuel to no end (pun intended).

"On Feb. 19 1889, Edwin Elliott, Samuel's cheese-maker son-in-law, went to Smith's Hotel in Ingersoll to recruit toughs to evict James Elliott. Ed promised them each a dollar and all the whiskey they could drink, but the whiskey would have to come after the work.

The crew he hired included John Noe, James Noe, Percy Crotty, William Murray, Jonathan McGinnis and Duncan O'Hanley, some of which were from influential families and who were, to varying degrees, already under the influence."

"At about 11 p.m. they arrived at Samuel's house, where wife Mary Ann served them some cake and cider. Then she told them to get over to the cheese factory and roust out her brother-in-law. At that point the group was joined by Samuel's sons Fred and Arthur. Inside the factory were James Elliott, his son John Rizeau Elliott and a hired man of son-in-law George Raymond. When they chose to keep the doors closed and locked, the shouting and pounding on the door started, and soon rocks were flying through the windows. William Murray and Percy Crotty had firearms, and it wasn't long before there was gunfire. James and his group returned fire. Soon, two members of Edwin's recruits were wounded. One lost a finger and the other shot in the groin." (editor's note: The Ingersoll Chronicle front page headline implied that one of the wounded would not likely survive).

"On the following morning, James Elliott and his companions offered details of the confrontation to the authorities. Edwin and others in his group (editors note: Fred and Arthur were not located for several days before turning themselves in) were charged, but several of the hired toughs skipped town. Edwin said he was unaware that any in his group had guns. Eventually the charges were withdrawn, and the matter of property ownership was decided in court in favour of James Elliott. Over time, James Ireland eventually took possession of the cheese factory. He also operated the Galloway factory in Oxford Township."

The criminal charges were withdrawn but by Mar 1, 1889, everyone had been in front of the Magistrate. Charges of intent to shoot, trespassing and injury to property were made by all parties over the following two weeks. The entire episode was front page news in local newspapers in the district. Many of the town folk made arguments regarding demon alcohol and how young men from respectable families were taken to severe actions by the influence of said alcohol.

with avidity.

Information was laid on Wednesday night by James Elliott against Ed Elliott, James and John Noe, F. and A. Elliott, (sons of Samuel), W. Chambers, W. Murray and D. O'Hanly, charging them with unlawfully damaging property and intent to do bodily harm. Warrants were issued and on Friday E Elliott and the two Noes were arrested. Chambers and O'Hanly up to the time of going to press have not been found. Fred and Arthur Elliott could not be found until Tuesday, the day of the trial, when they got over anxious and appeared in town and were at once arrested, and while the trial was in progress. Crotty and McGinnis were not mentioned in the information laid. Bail was given for the Noe's in the sum of \$500 each, and for Ed Elliott \$1500. Jas. and Jas R Elliott committed for trial last week were bailed in the sum of \$1000 each. F. and A Elliott were allowed to go under \$1000.

THE LAST SCENES.

The Elliott Rioting Cases Come Up for Trial.

At the assizes last week the case of Queen vs. Elliott et al came up and the prisoners Frederick Elliott, Arthur Elliott, Edwin Elliott, James Noe and John Noe, were arraigned and tried on the charge of riotous conduct, arising out of the cheese factory dispute. They were all found guilty and after being severely censured by the Judge were bound over to keep the peace for a year.

Mr. Ball appeared for the Crown and Merand McDonald for the prisoners.

The next criminal case was the Queen vs. James Elliott and James R. Elliott, for shooting with intent to kill at one William Murray, the case arising out of the same dispute as the former one.

The witnesses called by the Crown in this

In the suit of Elliott vs. Elliott, which was brought by the plaintiff James Elliott, to recover possession of the farm and cheese factory in East Zorra, judgment was obtained by the plaintiff with costs, and an order was issued by the Judge for immediate possession of the premises.

Note: the cheese factory was in W Zorra.

Serial No.	Name of Convicted	Charge	Date of Conviction	Name of Convicting Justice	Amount of Penalty.
558	James Elliott	John Noe	Mal injury to property	Mar 1	C. E. Chadwick
9	do	Jas Noe	"	"	"
560	do	Fred Elliott	"	"	"
1	do	Arthur Elliott	"	"	"
2	G. H. Cook	Edwin Elliott	"	"	"
3	H. M. Cotton	Edwin Elliott	Via Jemp	"	"
4	W. Cotton	Michael McDonald	Way	"	10
14	do	Michael Wilson	"	"	10
5	E. Murphy	William Venary	"	"	10
6	do	Wm Williams	"	"	10
7	C. W. Bloor	Frank Congdon	Larceny	12	C. E. Chadwick
8	do	Albert Rice	Utting Charge Order	15	"
9	E. Murphy	Albert Rice	Utting Charge Order	15	"
	Marion Ross	Donald C. Ross	Utting Charge Order	15	"

Court schedule April 1889

As noted, criminal charges were withdrawn on both sides and the matter of property ownership was decided in court in favour of James Elliott. James never worked the Lot 7 Con 1 property W Zorra, instead he rented out the property for a number of years. As noted through the years, he purchased a farm in N Oxford at Lot 15 Con 3. Lot 14 and 15 in N Oxford (just to the northeast of IRC) was a hotbed of transactions between brothers James, Thomas and Samuel Elliott in the 1880s to 1900. In 1862 he purchased 100 acres of Lot 6 Con 2 N Oxford of which the last section was sold by 1879. In 1879 he acquired 65 acres of Lot 18 Con 2 W Oxford and in July of 1888, he also purchased another 200 acres of land at adjacent Lot 17 Con 2 W Oxford on the south eastern outskirts of Ingersoll between present day Curry Rd and Clarke Rd from the Harris Family. Fifty-six acres of Lot 17 property was sold to son John Rizeau Elliott in 1902 and James's estate would sell the rest after his death in 1905 to George Jenvey.

Elliott James	Ingersoll	f. 2 17	(
Elliott J R	"	f. 2 18	(

acquired 65 acres of Lot 18 Con 2 W Oxford and in July of 1888, he also purchased another 200 acres of land at adjacent Lot 17 Con 2 W Oxford on the

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

The East Half of Lot No. 7, in the 1st con. of West Zorra, containing **100 ACRES**. This is a first-class dairy farm, there being about 50 acres of excellent pasture and watered by the North Branch of the River Thames, a comfortable house, a magnificent new frame barn and stone stable underneath, with accomodation for 34 cows and 10 horses, also a large and well equipped cheese factory on the premises. Terms liberal. For further particulars apply to **JAMES BRADY** or **JAMES ELLIOTT**, Ingersoll, 28-3m.

Dated Sept. 19th, 1888.

Mr. James Elliott has sold 150 acres of his farm, being lot 17, concession 2, West Oxford, to Mr. George Jenvey, of the same township, for the sum of \$10,500. The sale was consummated on Wednesday.

James Elliott has sold his farm, lot 7, West Zorra, with stock and implements, to H. L. Burrill, for \$7,000.00.

He sold the original James and Sarah Lawrence farmstead at Con 2 Lot 24 W Oxford in 1890. By 1903 he had sold much his properties and he and Sarah moved from

the N Oxford farm into Ingersoll to a house at the S W corner of Ann and Oxford streets. This house appeared to be purchased from niece Louisa Elliott whose husband William Card died in 1900. James was there for only a few months as his health did not hold up and he moved to his son John Rizeau's Lot 18 Con 2 W Oxford farm in the fall of 1903. He died in 1905 after a long period of illness as noted in his obituary. Through the years he was also a tax collector as well as a school teacher.



James and Sarah's Ingersoll retirement home.

Map this page: Land owned at various times by James Elliott in W Zorra, N and West Oxford Townships 1876 and 1896 Maps



The Ingersoll Chronicle Newspaper obituary of May 25 1905 sums up his life well.

DEATH OF AN OLD RESIDENT--James Elliott, one of the oldest and most widely known residents of this section, passed away this morning at the residence of his son, James R. Elliott, West Oxford [township], at the advanced age of 81 years. He had been confined to his bed for the past 18 months and his death was not unexpected. Some 25 years ago he was stricken with apoplexy from which he never fully recovered. Over 2 years ago he purchased the McCauhey property on Oxford St. Owing to failing health, he only resided there a short time, returning to make his home with his son. The late James Elliott was well and favourably known to the people of this section and by the older residents especially. His demise will be keenly regretted. He had resided in the vicinity of Ingersoll for 40 years or more. For a period of 23 years, he taught school and later engaged in farming which he followed very successfully. For a number of years, he was assessor and tax collector for West Oxford [township]. While he restrained from taking an active part in politics in municipal matters, he was public spirited to the extent of giving his hearty support to all matters though to benefit the community. Deceased was a native of Devonshire, England. He is survived by a widow and one son. The funeral will take place from the residence of his son, James R. Elliott, Lot 18, Con 2, West Oxford [township], Monday afternoon and proceed to the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery. Service at the house at 2:30 p.m.

DEATH OF AN OLD RESIDENT

Mr. James Elliott Passed Away This Morning After a Linger- ing Illness.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

James Elliott, one of the oldest and most widely known residents of this section, passed away this morning at the residence of his son, James R. Elliott, West Oxford, at the advanced age of 81 years.

He had been confined to his bed for the past eighteen months, and his death was not unexpected.

Some twenty-five years ago he was stricken with apoplexy, from which he never fully recovered.

Over two years ago he purchased the McCaughey property on Oxford street. Owing to failing health, how- ever, he only resided there a short time, returning to make his home with his son.

The late Jas. Elliott was well and favorably known to the people of this section, and by the older resi- dents especially, his demise will be keenly regretted. He had resided in the vicinity of Ingersoll for forty years or more. For a period of twenty three years he taught school and later engaged in farming, which he followed very successfully. For a number of years he was assessor and collector for the township of West Oxford. While he refrained from taking an active part in politics or municipal matters, he was public-spir- ited to the extent of giving his hearty support to all measures calculated to benefit the community. Deceased was a native of Devonshire, England. He is survived by a widow and one son.

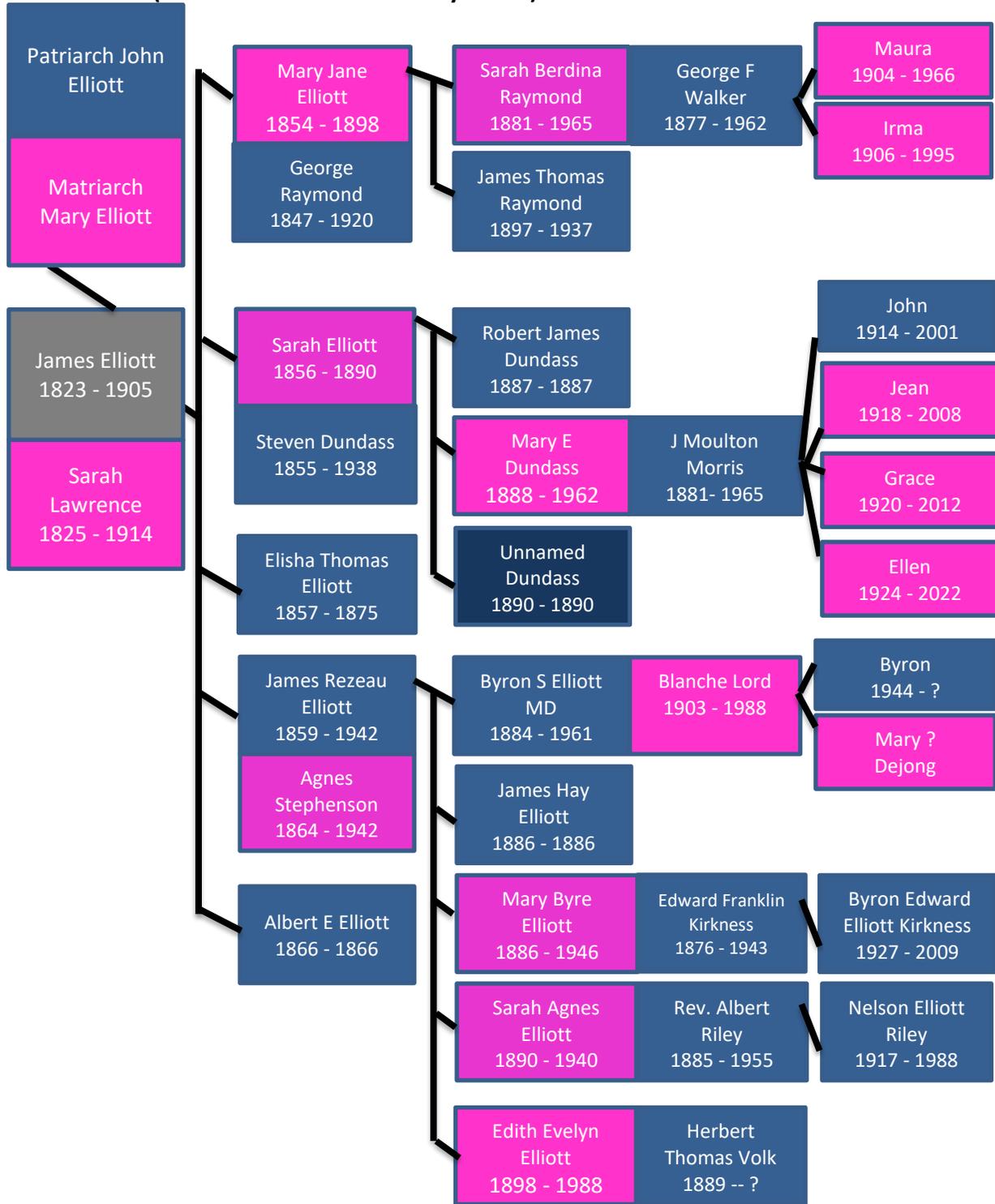
Interesting to note that at the time of his death he was survived by his widow Sarah and only one of their five children, James Elliott Sarah C (wid James) bds w s Thames 16 n Bell Rizeau Elliott. Widow Sarah lived off retirement income and boarded with the Humphrey family on Thames Street in Ingersoll as late as 1911 as per the 1911 Ingersoll Directory. Sarah died 3 years later of acute asthma on the 14th of November, 1914. She was living in London at the time. Since only her son James R survived her and he was farming in W Oxford, who was she living with in London, Ontario?

The funeral (private) of the late Mrs. Jas. Elliott, took place Saturday afternoon from the residence of Mr. George Raymond, North Oxford, to the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery. The services were conducted by the Rev. L. W. Hill and the pallbearers were Messrs. Foster Wilson, M. Rath, E. W. Uren, Wm. Patterson, T. R. Mayberry and H. Gregg.

Many of the older residents will learn with profound regret of the death of Mrs. Elliott, widow of the late James Elliott, for many years of West Oxford, which occurred this morning at London, where she had reside, for some time. The late Mrs. Elliott was about 80 years of age, and during her long residence in West Oxford en- deared herself to a wide circle of friends. She is survived by one son, J. R. Elliott, of this town. The re- mains will be brought to Ingersoll.

Children and Spouses of ...

James Elliott (son of John Elliott and Mary Elliott) and Sarah Lawrence



Not content to stay on the Raymond farm, Albert moved to Ingersoll to work at the Morrow Screw and Nut Co. and by the 1931 census they had situated to Hamilton where he worked for International Harvester. He returned to the N Oxford farm in his late 50s to run it after his younger brother James died while living at the farm. No children were found in any census data.

ALBERT GEO. RAYMOND PASSES VERY SUDDENLY

The death occurred very suddenly on Saturday, March 2nd, shortly after noon, of Albert George Raymond, North Oxford Township. Deceased who was in his 61st year, was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Raymond and was born in North Oxford Township, on the farm, Lot 14, Concession 3, where he passed away. Although he had not been in the best of health for about three years, he was around as usual on Saturday morning and appeared in his usual health until stricken with a heart seizure from which he never rallied. After leaving the farm he had been employed in Ingersoll and was at the plant of the Morrow Screw & Nut Company Limited until about twenty years ago when he went to Hamilton to work at the plant of the International Harvester Company, where he was employed until two years ago when upon the death of his brother, James, he returned to the farm in North Oxford Township. Of a quiet and unassuming nature, he had made for himself a large circle of friends, who deeply regret his passing. Left to mourn the passing of a beloved husband is his widow. Also surviving is one sister, (Sadie), Mrs. George Walker of Brownsville, Texas, to whom the sympathy of many friends is extended in their sad bereavement.

**Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott
Grandchild of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence
Child of Mary Jane Elliott and George Raymond**

Second Child: James Thomas Henry

B 20 Dec 1879 N Oxford

D 22 Dec 1937 N Oxford. IRC

James took over his father's Lot 14 Con 3 N Oxford farm. He was a bachelor. He died of acute intestinal obstruction at age 58

JAMES RAYMOND

Death early Wednesday morning, December 22nd, removed a widely known and life-long resident of North Oxford Township, in the person of James Raymond. Deceased had been in failing health for some four or five years, but had been able to be up and around until about three months ago, since which time he had been confined to his bed. The late Mr. Raymond was about 55 years of age and had spent his entire life on the farm where he was born, just outside Ingersoll's north easterly limits. He was unmarried and was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Raymond. He is survived by one brother, Albert Raymond, Hamilton; one sister, Mrs. George Walker, Brownsville, Texas. The funeral was held from the Fred S. Newman Funeral Home on Sunday afternoon to the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery

**Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott
Grandchild of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence
Child of Mary Jane Elliott and George Raymond**

Third and last child: Sarah (Sadie) Berdina

B 12 May 1881 N Oxford

D 20 Apr 1965 Brownsville, Texas emigrated 1909

M 18 Jun 1902 Ingersoll

Spouse: George Franklin Walker

B 09 May 1877 Avon, Ont.

D 18 Jan 1962 Brownsville, Texas



George Walker



Sadie Raymond



George, Sadie, daughters Irma and Maura

Sarah (Sadie) was born in 1881 in N Oxford Township. She lived on her father’s farm at Con 2 Lot 14 NE of Ingersoll on the north side of the Thames River. Her father was a widower when she married George Walker in 1902. She was 20 years old. George F Walker was born on the 25th of May, 1877 near Dorchester, Ont. to Johnston Walker and Hannah Laur. He was a middle child in a large clutch of siblings. His father died in 1885 and is buried in Avon, Ont. Raymond was seven years old at the time. His mother appears to have remarried and the children from the Walker marriage were dispersed or married by the 1891 census. George was living with his grandparents in Ingersoll during the 1891/1901 censuses and was an assistant to his brother who worked with undertaker James McIntyre of McIntyre and Co., in Ingersoll.

Outfit
Walker George F [McIntyre & Co)
h n e cor Carroll & Cherry

JAMES McINTYRE,
UNDERTAKER,
THAMES ST. - - INGERSOLL.
RESIDENCE—Corner Charles and Carroll Streets.
ALONZO B. WALKER, Funeral Director,
GEORGE F. WALKER, Assistant.
All modern forms of scientific embalming used.
Calls promptly attended, night or day.
The finest funeral outfit in this district.

George Walker’s home in Ingersoll



Once married he moved his young family to Carroll St. in Ingersoll. Where he went to work in a grocery and retail store. His taste for the retail business served him well in later life.



The George F Walker and Sadie Raymond marriage of 18th of June, 1902 at the George Raymond house in N. Oxford. The Walker family are on the left and the Raymond/Elliott clan are on the right of the bride and groom.



From the wedding photo: very possibly this is James Elliott and wife Sarah Lawrence in the left photo and George Raymond with the mustache in the right photo.

With several of his older siblings living in the US, George immigrated in 1909 with his wife and 2 small daughters to Brownsville, Texas at the urging of brother Alonzo who lived there. Brownsville is located at the very southern point of Texas and is across the Rio Grande from Mexico. The family all became naturalized American citizens. At this point George's life takes an adventurous turn. It appears,

Copied from BSI records
10/9/09

BRI ADM Family name		WALKER		Given name		GEORGE F.		Accompanied by		wife, 2 children	
Place of birth (town, country, etc.)		Avon, Ont., Can.		Age	32 yrs.	Sex	M.	U. S.	Occupation	Farmer	Read
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Name and address of nearest relative or friend in country whence alien came											
Brother, LaCayette Walker, Lawrence Station, Ont., Can.											
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Destination, and name and address of relative or friend to join there											
Brother, Alonzo B. Walker, San Benito, Texas											
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according to his border work in 1909 and his WWI war registration papers that his brother Alonzo had moved there with his wife in 1908. The brothers formed the Walker Bros. farming industry and grocery businesses. Large tracts of land around Brownsville produced market produce for the company supermarkets. George's ambition blossomed in Brownsville. To the right: 1909 Border crossing with his wife, two children and \$350.00

Acc. by wife: Sadie, 2 children: Laura and Irma

George recognized the area's potential to grow fruit and vegetables earlier in the year than could be done in Ontario. With that in mind, he went to work investigating how to ship produce to the northern markets and promoting the area's produce for consumption in Ontario. He promoted the use of packaging products on ice in train cars and transporting the produce nonstop to northern markets. His advocacy led to an increase in Texas produce shipped to Canadian markets.

While in Brownsville, George and Sarah Walker witnessed the outbreak of the Mexican Revolutionary War 1910 - 1920. The war first pitted Mexican Government forces against numerous regional revolutionary groups upset with the distribution of wealth and with large landowners committing larceny against small peasant farms and subjugating these same simple peasants. With the forced downfall of the Mexican government, the regional rebels turned on each other in attempts both politically and with armed force to establish a new Mexican government. This jockeying led to the formation of the modern-day Mexican Constitution. The link below is an abridged look at the affair.

<https://www.britannica.com/event/Mexican-Revolution>

The revolution was felt in Brownsville. Rebel raids were conducted across the border into the US. American citizens died. US President Wilson sent the US army and Texas Rangers troops into Brownsville. Being an adroit businessman, George Walker saw an opportunity.

The United States government refused to sell weapons to any Mexican party because of the concern the conflict could continue to spill across the border. An embargo was put in place to prevent American citizens from selling munitions across the border. George owned several grocery/hardware stores that also sold guns and ammunition. So, with that in mind, a great grandson of George's takes up the story. "He also spent a lot of time down in Mexico, where he made a deal with Presidente Carranza to sell him some guns. George loaded up boxcars full of guns and sent them down to Mexico City. We have pictures of the train with an armed Mexican Guard sitting on top of each car.

So, Pancho Villa had turned against Carranza and was angered that George was supplying guns to Carranza. One day George heard that Pancho Villa was coming for him, so he went over to Matamoros across the Rio Grande, to meet Villa in the bar over there, and they came away friends. So essentially, he was providing guns to both sides of the conflict. George wasn't a very good farmer but he was a great businessman."

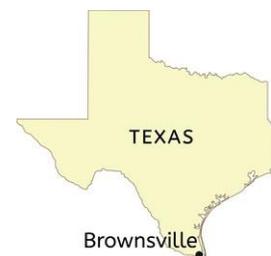
Thanks to great grandson Daniel Smith



1913 Battle of Matamoros

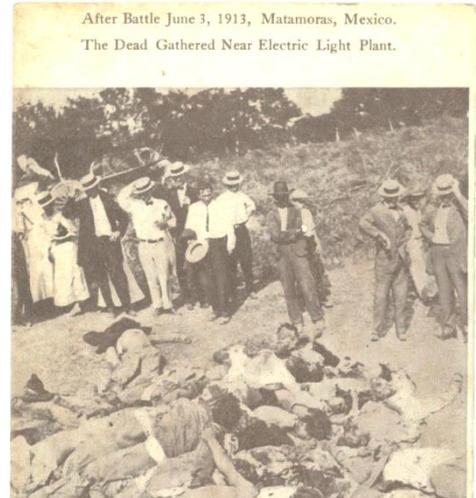
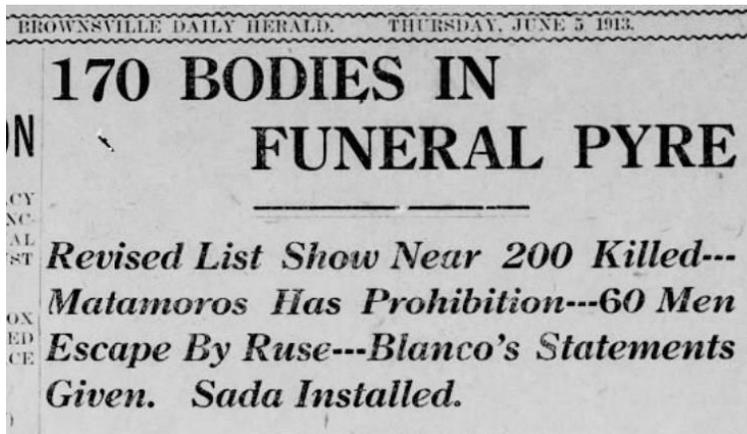


Pancho Villa



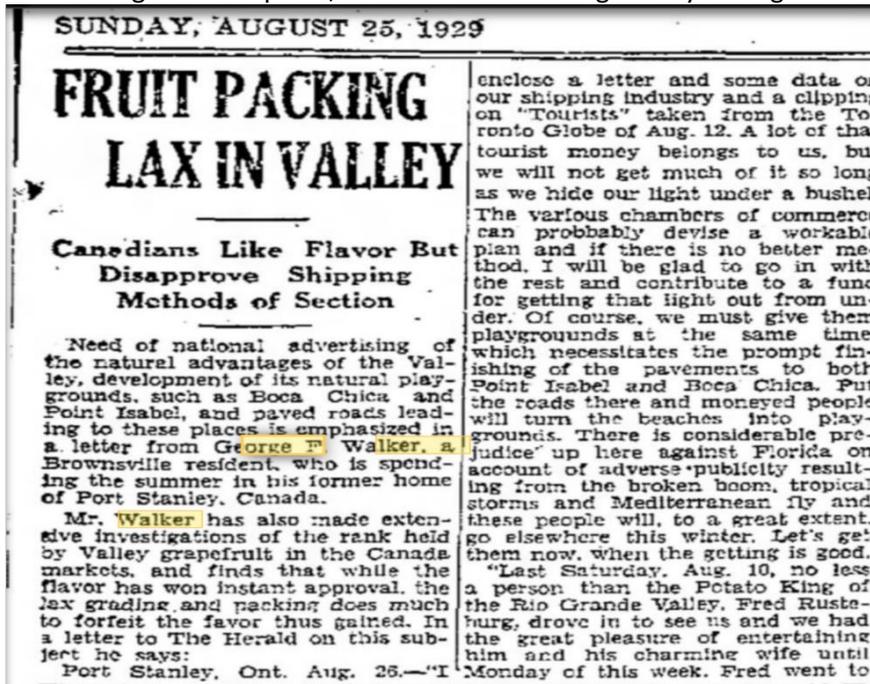
The 1913 Battle of Matamoros was one of the Revolutionary battles noted at the time. Today Matamoros is a city of 500,000 and is known as an auto manufacturing center. In 1913, it was a town of 50,000 and directly across the border from Brownsville. "Garrisoned by fewer than 50 regular soldiers, Matamoros put up only brief resistance to Gen. Lucio Blanco's June 3-4 attack, many of its government officials and wealthy denizens bolting over the Rio Grande to adjacent Brownsville, Texas. But some of the young guns in town had an overdeveloped sense of heroic machismo and sold their lives dearly to postpone the inevitable. Groups of young Matamoros men, some of them fourteen and fifteen years old, volunteered for service under irregular huertista officers. They fought stubbornly until early in the morning of June 4. A number of them were captured and executed by Blanco's men."

US Library of Congress



Unidentified Geo. Walker in group of bystanders
(Photo supplied by great grandson Daniel Smith)

After George's war exploits, he returned to making money through his businesses.



August 25th 1929 Brownsville Herald

As noted in the August 25th, 1929 Brownsville Herald article seen above, the Walker's escaped the south Texas summer heat by visiting the family summer retreat in Port Stanley, Ont. on the north shore of Lake Erie. In the winter, the family also spent time in Mexico on family trips. The Walker's activities were often noted in the Ingersoll Chronicle in the local interest column.

A CARD from **George Walker**, local groceryman, tells us that he is really enjoying the first vacation he has been on since 1930.

He and Mrs. **Walker** are taking in the sights of Canada and the card was postmarked St. Thomas, Ontario.

Peaches, pears, grapes and tobacco are grown in large quantities in the St. Thomas area.

1947 Brownsville Herald

City Briefs

Mrs. **George Walker** will speak at 10:30 a. m. Thursday over radio station KEEW on work being done by the Brownsville headquarters of the Bundles for Britain.

1941 Brownsville Herald

Dog Raising Litter of Pups And Kitten

"Happy" is the mother that can raise a combined litter of dogs and cats—at least the one which is performing this feat at the home of Mr. and Mrs. **George Walker** here is named "Happy".

The pups, three of them, are a week old. The fourth of the litter died soon after birth.

Then the kitten horned in. It is four weeks old and has a big advantage over the puppies in that its eyes are open. The dogs still are moving around in the darkness.

The kitten is thriving on the dog fare, Mrs. **Walker** said, and tries its best to be playful by suddenly jumping on the backs of the puppies—but, not being able to see what's going on, the puppies haven't shown much interest in the game yet.

Mr. and Mrs. **George Walker** and children leave this afternoon for Ingersoll, Ontario, their former home, where they will visit relatives. They go by way of Lansing, Michigan, where they will take a new Oldsmobile touring car, making the trip from Lansing to Ingersoll by automobile over Michigan and Canadian highways.

Mr. and Mrs. **George Walker** left yesterday morning for Ingersoll, Ontario, Canada. They expect to be gone until the latter part of October. It will be both a business and pleasure trip for Mr. **Walker**. He will visit the big furniture factories in Michigan, and wholesalers and jobbers in furniture in New York and Chicago.

1932 Brownsville Herald

1942 Brownsville Herald

Yesteryears In The Valley

FORTY YEARS AGO

Nov. 1, 1910 — Mrs. **George Walker** and two children returned last night from a three months visit in Ingersoll, Canada, their former home.

25 YEARS AGO

October 25, 1926 — Mr. and Mrs. **George Walker** have returned home after an extended trip to their summer home in Canada.

He established a chain of supermarkets in the Brownsville area and he became well known in the town's affairs.

1940 Brownsville Herald



The Brownsville Jitney Jungle store has been completely remodelled, decorated and enlarged, offering its patrons even greater conveniences. Open house will be held Friday and Saturday. Coffee, cake and cookies will be served. Cook books and balloons also will be

1940 Herald

Brownsville To Get New Supermarket

George Walker, owner of the Valley's Jitney Jungle stores, announced today the building of a new "supermarket" in Brownsville.

The new market is to be started this week and will be located at the site of the old J. G. Fernandez residence at 744 E. Elizabeth.

The old Fernandez residence, now being used for an office and warehouse by Walker, is at present being moved over a few feet to make room for the new structure.

Contract Let

Contract for building the supermarket, said Walker, has been let and building is to start late this week. The building, to be 60 by 110 feet, will be free of posts in its interior.

After completion of the building the Fernandez residence, soon to be advertised for sale, will be moved away to provide larger parking space.

The parking area, said Walker, will be 90 by 120 feet. The street front of the new store will be 100 feet wider to allow diagonal parking along the whole 700 block, according to Walker.

The new market will have a rough Austin stone front, and will cost in the neighborhood of \$35,000, Walker said.

Snow Buys Local Stores

The two Jitney Jungle stores here have been sold to John Snow and will be converted to Biggy Wiggly groceries, former owner George Walker announced Saturday.

The present Jitney Jungle No. 1 store on W. Elizabeth street will be renovated, and the No. 2 store on E. Elizabeth will occupy the new building going up now on the old J. G. Fernandez home site, Walker said.

Snow has lived in Brownsville 15 years.

1949 Herald

LD, BROWNSVILLE, TEX.,

New Street Lights Sought By CC Group

The Brownsville Chamber of Commerce lighting committee, headed by George Walker, will start a drive soon among the city's merchants for contributions towards the purchase of 21,000-lumen mercury vapor arc lamps to be installed in downtown Brownsville.

The lamps are of the most modern design and give off a brilliant white light, and would replace the lights now in use in downtown Brownsville, Walker said.

It is planned to install at least three, and possibly four, of the new lamps to every downtown city block, Walker said.

The lights cost about \$113 each, according to Walker.

By 1949, the Walker's were no longer operating the grocery stores as it appears George retired in Brownsville.



Hunting trips: top - George far right in front of his converted hearse.
bottom - George second from right

Family Home 505 E Washington St. Brownsville
Top photo - newly built
Middle photo - Sadie at the house
Bottom photo - house 2022

The couple's birthday dates were three days apart.

Both George and Sadie died of heart failure, George was 84 when he died in 1962. Sadie was 83 when she died in 1965. Both are buried in Bueno Vista Burial Park, Brownsville, Texas.

They had two daughters born in Ontario that emigrated to Brownsville. Both lived in the area during their lifetimes.

DATE OF TEXAS 02/10/2 03/10/1 CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 334 X 22 STATE FILE NO. 00960

1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY Cameron		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived, if multiple residence before admission) a. STATE Texas	
b. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) Brownsville		b. COUNTY Cameron	
c. LENGTH OF STAY in 1 b. 53 yrs		c. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) Brownsville	
d. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION Mercy Hospital		d. STREET ADDRESS (if rural, give location) 505 E. Washington	
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8. DATE OF BIRTH May 9, 1877		9. AGE (in years, get 10 days) 84	
10. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done, if not stated, give kind of business or industry) Retired Mercantile		11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Ontario, Canada	
12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? Canada		13. FATHER'S NAME Johnson Walker	
14. MOTHER'S MARDEN NAME Hannah Belinda Lawr		15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) (If yes, give war or dates of service) No	
16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 449-01-1114		17. INFORMANT Mrs. George F. Walker	

1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY Cameron		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived, if multiple residence before admission) a. STATE Texas	
b. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) Brownsville		b. COUNTY Cameron	
c. LENGTH OF STAY in 1 b. 56 yrs.		c. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) Brownsville	
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3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) a. First Sarah b. Middle Berdina c. Last Walker		4. DATE OF DEATH April 20, 1965	
5. SEX Female		6. COLOR OR RACE Caucasian	
7. MARRIAGE STATUS Married <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Never Married <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/>		8. DATE OF BIRTH May 12, 1881	
9. AGE (in years, get 10 days) 83		10. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done, if not stated, give kind of business or industry) Housewife Home	
11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Canada		12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? Canada	
13. FATHER'S NAME George Raymond		14. MOTHER'S MARDEN NAME Mary Jane Elliott	
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) (If yes, give war or dates of service) No		16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. None	
17. INFORMANT Mrs. Maura Smith			



**Great Grandchildren of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence
Grandchild of Mary Jane Elliott and George Raymond
Child: Sarah Raymond and George Walker**

First Child: Irma Leola "Irene" B 04 Mar 1906 Ingersoll
D 15 July 1995 Brownsville, Texas
M 30 May 1961 Carlsbad, Texas
Spouse: Almon "Red" Wilson B 01 June 1911 Scurry, Texas
D 15 Jun 1969 St Angelo, Texas

Both daughters went to school in the Brownsville area and attended university in Canada. Both remained living in the south Texas area. Irma was married late in life to Almon "Red" Wilson and moved to Texas. Red Wilson was a retired bus driver when he married Irma. He died 8 years after the marriage.

04 May 1930 Brownsville Herald.



IRMA WALKER

Brown and Gold; Glee Club; Student Council '22; Vice President Class '23; Calendar Editor Palmetto '23; Basket-ball '22.

"She sees her duty, a dead sure thing,
And goes for it there and then."

Loved by everyone, depended upon by all, Irma has endeared herself to the school in a way peculiarly her own. She has no faults "by George!"

1910 Ingersoll Chronicle

Mr. and Mrs. **George Walker** left the past week for Canada to attend the graduating exercises of their daughter, Irma, who will be awarded her nurse's diploma from a Canada medical school. Mr. and Mrs. **Walker** and their daughter will make a tour of Europe this summer.

Little Irene Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Walker, formerly of Ingersoll now of the city of Brownsville, Texas, was the winner of the silver cup given for the most attractive little girl in the city on August fourth.

Name: Irma Leola Walker
[Irma Leola Wilson]
[Irma Wilson]

Gender: Female

Race: White

Birth Date: 4 Mar 1906

Birth Place: Ingersoll on, Canada

Death Date: 15 Jul 1995

Father: George F Walker

Mother: Sadie B Raymond



Miss Irma **Walker** of San Angelo has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. **George F. Walker**, and her sister, Mrs. H. M. Smith, and Mr. Smith. She returned home Saturday. In addition to holding a full time job. Miss **Walker** is a major in the Civil Air Patrol.

**Great Grandchildren of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence
Grandchild of Mary Jane Elliott and George Raymond
Child: Sarah Raymond and George Walker**

Second and last child: Maura

B 08 Apr 1904 Ingersoll

D 11 Jan 1996 Brownsville, Tex.

Spouse: Henry Marion Smith

B 31 May 1902 Texas

D 21 Jul 1996 Brownsville

Maura (Walker) Smith was very prominent in Brownsville woman's and children's rights and civic affairs in the city of Brownsville. The Maura Smith Center was named after her. The center is still operating as of 2023 and is now a private school and compassion center. She was an excellent painter and featured pastoral scenes of the Rio Grande. Several of her paintings still hang in relative's and friends' homes. She died in 1966 at age 61. Husband Henry was a local high school sports star and he was a locomotive engineer for the Missouri Pacific Railroad.



The four patrons of the Brownsville high school Eagles football squad shown above gave the boys a winner roast and dancing party in the cafeteria

**TWO INJURED
IN CRASH HERE**

**Dr. O. V. Lawrence,
H. M. Smith Hurt**

Two well-known Brownsville men were injured, one seriously, in a head-on automobile collision on the Valley highway near Mauldin airport at 7:25 p. m. Monday.

The injured were: Dr. O. V. Lawrence, about 70, prominent Brownsville eye - ear - nose - throat specialist, and Henry M. Smith, 40, former Brownsville high school football star and active booster of local high school athletics.

Dr. Lawrence suffered fractures of both kneecaps, a fracture of one arm, a fractured nose and fractures of several ribs. He was said to be in serious condition Tuesday morning at Mercy hospital.

Mr. Smith suffered a compound fracture of the left leg above the knee and severe lacerations of the mouth and chin. Hospital attendants said his condition is not thought to be serious.

Automobiles driven by the two men were completely demolished in the crash. Dr. Lawrence was on his way to a medical meeting at Harlingen when the collision occurred. Mr. Smith was driving toward Brownsville.

Both men were brought to Mercy hospital by a Delta funeral home ambulance.

**AAUW States Meeting
In College Music Room**

Mrs. Maura Smith will speak on "Government Is Your Business" at a meeting of the American Association of University Women, at 8 p.m. Thursday. The meeting will be in Texas Southmost College music room.

Mrs. Smith is a member of the League of Women Voters.



Above, Miss Jean Howard, left, and Miss Maura Mae Smith, will be featured in the annual National Music Week program tomorrow night in a marimba duo. The program, to be held at the First Methodist Church, is sponsored by Brownsville Cultural Arts.

Brownsville Herald 1940s

Old Ordinances

The League of Women Voters appeared before the city commission last night with a recommendation that all city ordinances be given a thorough raking over, that all obsolete ordinances be repealed and thrown off the books and that all current ordinances be checked thoroughly and then indexed and cross indexed in order that reference to individual ordinances may be facilitated.

**400,000 To
Go On Strike
In Mexico**

MEXICO CITY, June 11 —UP— The 400,000 - member Confederation of Workers of Mexico was preparing strike notices Friday against 1,328 companies to back up its threat of a "revolutionary" nationwide strike.

The confederation has asked for 24 per cent wage boosts to compensate with the higher cost of living, since the peso was devalued in April.

Mrs. Maura Smith, president of the League, told the city board that members of the organization had made a thorough check of the present files on ordinances and cited several instances of laws on the books that were obsolete to the point of hilarity.

For instance: "Be it ordained that from after the tenth day of May, 1860, it shall be unlawful for persons to bathe in the Rio Grande before eight o'clock at night or after five o'clock in the morning."

Another example prohibited the riding or driving of an animal or vehicle through the streets of Brownsville at a gait faster than a trot.

WOMEN WHO SELL war stamps and bonds here say that soldiers are among the top purchasers.

Yesterday, for example, Mrs. Henry M. Smith looked up and a young soldier was asking for bonds.

"My little daughter wants them for Christmas," he smiled. "When her mother asked her what she wanted for Christmas, she said a jeep, some war stamps, and Daddy."

Day Care Centers

(Continued From Page One)

we are screening them very carefully."

"Within a month we should fill our target of 50 children," she added.

She said the center follows the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) rules about accommodating only needy parents. She said the degree of need was established under Housing Authority guidelines.

The center is situated in the Buena Vida housing project. Alms Outlined

explained, "and to drink milk." She said she had the idea the children at their homes were getting too - heavy diets of such things as beans, rice and tortillas.

Both the Brownsville and San Benito centers take care of children two - through - six years old. The Brownsville center is affiliated with the Good Neighbor Settlement House and is named after its late president, Mrs. Maura Smith.

Both the Brownsville and San

Obituaries

HENRY M. SMITH

Funeral services for Henry M. Smith, 64, will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at Darling-Mouser Funeral Home with Rev. John W. Platt of the First Methodist Church officiating. Interment will take place at Buena Vista Burial Park.

Mr. Smith, of 1704 W. Elizabeth, died Tuesday morning at Mercy Hospital.

A retired locomotive engineer, Mr. Smith is survived by a son, Maurice Smith of Brownsville; three daughters, Mrs. Maura Mae Goad of Hurst, Tex., Mrs.

Marion Elizabeth Alleyne of Campbell, Calif., and Mrs. Erma Carol Johnson of N. Highlands, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Ethel Hicks of Brownsville and Mrs. Anita Maxwell of Ponca City, Okla. 13 grandchildren; one great grandchild. His wife, Maura Walker Smith, preceded him in death Jan. 11, 1966.

Pallbearers will be Hector Garza, John Denny, Billy Vaughn, I. D. McLean, Nolan Aycock, and Jack Stanley.

JACINTO ANDUIZA

Word was received here today

MRS. MAURA SMITH

Funeral services for Mrs. Maura Smith, 61, were held at 10 a.m. today at First Methodist Church with burial at Buena Vista Cemetery.

Mrs. Smith, of 1704 W. Elizabeth St., died Tuesday at Mercy Hospital.

Maura and Henry had a son and three daughters of which two lived in California. One of their grandson's, George Alleyne, was a rookie California Highway Patrol Officer when he placed his name in history.

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FOUR CHP OFFICERS SLAIN AT NEWHALL



Officer George M. Alleyne
California Highway Patrol, CA
EOW: Sunday, April 5, 1970
Cause: Gunfire

Four rookie CHP officers attempted to end a robbery. All four were killed in a parking lot shoot out in what is called the Newhouse incident. It is the largest loss of police officer's lives at one time in California history. There is an excellent You Tube video about the tragedy.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=we5Qi0DYv8E>

All Shot Fatally in Blazing Gunfight; 2 Suspects Seized

BY ROBERT RAWITCH
Times Staff Writer

Four highway patrolmen were killed early today in a shootout near a Newhall restaurant when they stopped the car of two men who had been threatening freeway motorists with firearms.

Two suspects meeting the description of the men were picked up by police at the Wilshire Blvd. offramp of the San Diego Freeway after a 90-mile-per-hour chase.

Neither the names of the dead officers nor the two suspects were immediately available.

The shootout occurred shortly after midnight at Jay's Restaurant at the intersection of Henry Mayo Drive and Old Highway 99.

Details of the shootout were sketchy but sheriff's deputies related the following story:

One highway patrol car apparently encountered the suspects at Jay's Restaurant and put in a call for assistance.

A second unit arrived and suddenly the two men ran from the restaurant firing a shotgun and a large-caliber revolver.

The officers managed to put in a call for "immediate assistance" and units from West Hollywood, Alta-

dena and Newhall rushed to the scene and found the four officers critically wounded and their assailants gone.

Two of the officers were dead on arrival at Golden State Hospital in Newhall and the other two died within hours.

More than 40 sheriff's deputies and highway patrolmen started a massive search of the area, setting up roadblocks near the Golden State Freeway at the Valencia Golf Course.

A 1964 Pontiac believed to have been used by the gunmen was found in Rye Canyon not far from the restaurant and the suspects were originally thought to have fled on foot.

The car was registered to an Orange County car dealer, but a check revealed that it was not stolen.

While scores of men searched the area on foot the police department stopped two men driving on the San Diego Freeway who met the description of the men being sought.

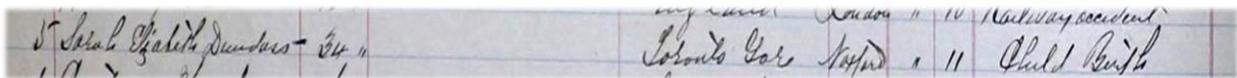
Firearms were found in the suspects' car but it was not immediately known if they were the ones used in the shooting of the four officers.

Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott
Child of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence

Second Child: Sarah Elizabeth B 1856 Toronto, Gore
 D 12 Apr 1890 Ingersoll
 M 31 Mar 1885
 Spouse: Stephen Dundass B 21 Aug 1855 N Oxford
 D 11 Jan 1938 N Dorchester

Sarah was born in York, Toronto in 1856 according to IRC death registry records. This is interesting in that her father James had purchased his farm in W Oxford in 1855. Again, maybe Sarah’s mother went back to the family to have her child there. Sarah Elizabeth married Stephen Dundass. Although he was living in N Dorchester township when they married, he was born in N Oxford to Harriett Mathews and Robert Dundass. Both he and Sarah were 29 years old when they married. They settled on a farm in N Oxford that was very close to other Dundass family farms. In quick concession, they had a son Robert in 1886 and daughter Mary in 1888. Sarah Elliott Dundass died in 1890 while giving birth to a third child and like her mother, the birth took place in Gore (Toronto). There is no record of the child surviving. The 1891 census shows Stephen living at his farm with his only surviving child Mary age two. Stephen would go on to remarry and raise Mary with her four younger step-sisters. By 1911 he had moved to N Dorchester township and was farming on Con 3. He is buried in Banner Cemetery with his second wife. Sarah is buried with her parents in IRC.

Find a Grave Notation: Elisha Thomas, died May 6, 1875, aged 18 years / Albert Edward, died November 5, 1866, aged 10 weeks, children of James & Sarah C. Elliott / **Sarah E., daughter of James & Sarah C. Elliott, wife of Stephen J. Dundass, died April 12, 1890, aged 34 years**



Sarah Elliott Dundass death record. Childbirth was cause of death.

Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott
Grandchild of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence
Child of Sarah Elizabeth Elliott and Stephen Dundass

First Child: Robert J B 20 Aug 1886 N Oxford
 D 27 Nov 1886 N Oxford



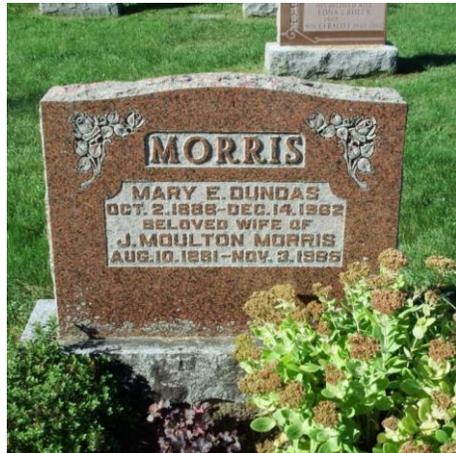
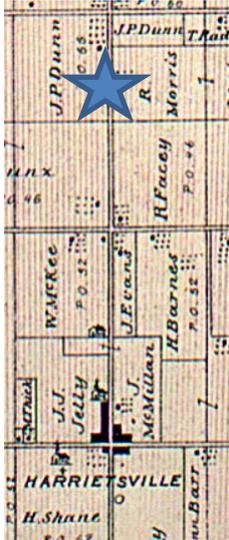
His cause of death was listed as “sudden death”
 He is buried in the Banner cemetery.

**Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott
Grandchild of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence
Child of Sarah Elizabeth Elliott and Stephen Dundass**

Second and last Child: Mary (May) Elizabeth

B 02 Oct 1888 N Oxford
D 14 Dec 1962 Dorchester, Ont.
M 08 Jan 1914 London
B 10 Aug 1881
D 03 Nov 1965 Harrietsville

Spouse John Moulton Morris



May was raised by her father until he remarried when she was 5 years old. She grew up in N Dorchester township and worked in the local post office in Dorchester before she was married. James Moulton Morris was from the Morris family that lived in the Harrietsville and Verschoyle area between Alymer and Ingersoll. After her marriage, she lived on her husband's farm at Lot 12 Con 4 N Dorchester township just to the north of Harrietsville on Elgin Rd Highway 73.

The Morris family had been in Ontario since the 1790s. Samuel Morris and wife Elizabeth Rathwell farmed in Leeds County after their 1817 wedding. They had 10 children. One son, William, married Jane Moulton. Seven of the ten children migrated from Leeds County via boat from Brockville, arriving in Hamilton and then heading towards the fertile lands of Middlesex County and N Dorchester township. In 1850, William purchased 200 acres at Lot 4 Con 4 SRT Dorchester about halfway between Avon and Putnam. The family continued to acquire other parcels of land in the neighbourhood before Nassau's death in 1926. At Nassau death (1849 – 1926), son William was bequeathed a portion of his father's 200 acres as were his brothers. Nassau was given N1/4 Lot 4 Con 4 SRT N Dorchester. Nassau's will specified that son, John Moulton be granted N1/2 Lots 11 and 12 Con 4 SRT N Dorchester on condition he housed his sister Ellen.



The Morris home, 1900.



Moulton and Mary Elliott Dundass were progressive farmers and embraced new technology. They installed a line shaft and belt drives to assist with the farm labour. This gave Moulton some free time. In 1929, he tested for and received a ham radio operator's licence.



The Nassau Morris family. Back left: Elma (Leaman), Moulton, Mary (Dundass), Violet, Mae (Warren) and Herbert. Front row: James R., James A., Ellen, Nassau holding Herman J., Mary Ann (Venning), Dora (Leaman), Evelyn and William A., about 1915.



The Moulton Morris family. Back left: Grace (Morris) Johnson, Herman Morris, Ellen (Morris) Garner, and Jean (Morris) Smith. Front: Mary (Dundass) and Moulton Morris, 1961.

Mary Dundass Morris raised geese on the farm and sold them to Victoria Hospital in London during Christmas time. Because they lived in the large farm home, they hosted most Christmas gatherings. The family attended Harrietsville United Church and Moulton was also a member of the Hope Lodge – proudly attaining his 50-year jewel in 1955. They had 4 children – all attending #16 Harrietsville school.

Photo: Rear - daughter Grace (Johnson), son Herman, daughter Ellen (Garner) and daughter Jean (Smith).
Front: mother Mary Dundass Morris, father Moulton Morris

Wedding Photo
1914



J. Moulton Morris and Mary E. Dundas, 1914.

MRS. MOULTON MORRIS DIES IN 75TH YEAR

Dorchester--The death occurred at the Faith Haven Nursing Home, Ingersoll, on December 14th, of Mary Elizabeth [Dundas] Morris, in her 75th year. Funeral services were conducted on Monday from the R. A. Logan & Son Funeral Home, with Rev. George Simpson of Harrietsville United Church in charge. Interment was made in Dorchester Cemetery and the pallbearers were: Messrs. Ralph Venning, Roy Venning, Gordon Barons, Horace Parkes, Carl Jackson and Charles Secord. Left to mourn her loss is her husband, Moulton Morris, RR1 Mossley; one son, Herman Morris, RR1 Belmont; three daughters, Jean [Mrs. Richard Smith] RR4 Aylmer; Grace [Mrs. John Johnson] RR1 Mossley; and Ellen [Mrs. William Garner] RR4 Rockwood

After a brief illness, John Moulton Morris of RR1 Mossley, died on November 3, in Victoria Hospital, London, at the age of 84. Mr. Morris a retired farmer was born in resided all his life on the Morris homestead. He was a member of Harrietsville United Church and IOOF Hope Lodge, #69, receiving his 50-year level jewel 8 years ago. He was a son of the late Nassau Morris and Mary Venning Morris. Predeceased 3 years ago by his wife the former Mary E. Dundas, he is survived by one son, Herman, RR1 Belmont; three daughters, Mrs. J. E. [Grace] Johnson, RR1 Mossley; Mrs. B. J. [Ellen] Garner, RR4 Rockwood; 17 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; two brothers, James A., Dorchester; Herbert, Aylmer; one sister, Mrs. Fred [Violet] Brown, RR1 Kingsville. An IOOF service was conducted on Friday evening under the auspices of Hope Lodge, Harrietsville.

First Child of Mary Dundass and Moulton Morris

John Herman B 23 Oct 1914 N Dorchester
D 21 Mar 2001 Mossley, Ont.
Spouse: Edna “Merle” MacIntyre B 07 Sep 1921 Malahide, Elgin
D 11 Jun 2007 London

Descendant Ann O’Reilly of Dorchester filled in some of the family details. John Herman Morris stayed on the family farm. After his father’s death he took over the operation. The farm was a general farm but he also imported beef cattle from out west. He would raise and feed for sale. He was a handy man on the farm and was able to make his own parts. He designed and built a custom front end loader for one tractor. He loved to play euchre. Family members recall him being an obstinate person with little patience for children. Edna was the daughter of Frank and Edna (Jolliffe) MacIntyre. Money was often tight so both Edna and Herman supplemented the family income by driving school buses in N Dorchester for over 20 years. She loved music and was an avid church goer at the Avon Church. Herman was not a religious man. Merle loved baseball and would often attend local games in support of the team of her choice.



Avon Church

Meryl spent the last 2 years of her life in a nursing home. They had five children: Ruth, Kay Pauline, Joan and Ray. Ray continued with the farm operation after Herman’s death.



U.C.W.

Obituary of Edna Morris, it is with profound sadness that the family announces the passing with grace and dignity, of Edna "Merle" Morris at London Health Science Centre-Westminster on June 11, 2007, in her 86th year. Predeceased by her husband Herman Morris (2001). Cherished mother of Ruth McNeil and husband Jim of Aylmer, Kay Casler of London, Pauline Parkes of London, Joanne Terry of Barrie and Ray Morris and his friend Tina Cloes of Harrietsville. Born in Malahide Township Ontario on September 07, 1921 daughter of the late Frank and Edna (Jolliffe) MacIntyre. Merle had lived all her life in the Avon area and was a member of Avon-Crampton United Church and the



Second Child of Mary Dundass and Moulton Morris:

Jean Elizabeth

B 1918 N Dorchester, Mossley
 D 2008 St. Thomas
 M 1939 Harrietsville

Spouse: Richard Smith

B 04 Jun 1915 Dorchester, Ont.
 D 26 Apr 2003 St Thomas

Jean was the editor of the Beacon, a Dorchester Continuation school publication and was also school's literary society. She attended Sir Adam Beck and London Normal School and after graduation she taught at #16 Harrietsville Public School from 1937 – 1939. They were the first couple married in the new Harrietsville United Church in 1939. Both were involved with the Harrietsville Junior Farmers

(Richard was president when they married). Jean and Richard farmed in N Dorchester before purchasing a farm and moving to Malahide Township. Her passion was making novelty hats for children or special events. Richard and Jean raised horses. He became well known as an expert in antique glass and had a large collection. Two daughters were born to the couple: Anne and Marlene.

Third Child of Mary Dundass and Moulton Morris:

Grace Irene

B 1920 N Dorchester
 D 2012 Delaware care facility
 M 1943 Harrietsville

Spouse: Don Johnson

B 1917 N Dorchester
 D 1994 Avon

Grace told stories of walking to Harrietsville school with her sister and carrying her lunch pail. That education led to Sir Adam Beck Secondary in London and to Victoria Hospital's School of Nursing in 1941 where she was top of class. She eventually worked at the hospital on the supervisory staff. She worked at a tobacco factory in her younger days and as a hobby made elaborate greeting cards in her later years.

Grace also won the woman's competition at a ploughing match while wearing an apron. The newspaper photo depicting the event was a family favourite.

Don Johnson, son of Ezra and Mrytle Johnson, worked as a health inspector/carpenter and bookkeeper but in his spare time he loved his motorcycle. He was member of the honour guard with his local motorcycle club. The couple lived on the Johnson homestead on Con 5 SRT N Dorchester until retiring to Avon. They had two sons: Robert and Ralph.

Grace (Morris) Johnson



Grace (Morris) Johnson of Avon. Quietly and graciously in her 93rd year passed away on June 16, 2012 under the loving care of the staff at Middlesex Terrace LTC, Delaware (since February 2012). Dear wife of the late John E. (1994). Loving mother of Ralph, Irene (Belmont) and Robert, Claire (London). Grandmother of Matthew, Suzan and great-grandmother of Brahm and Cole (Melbourne). Also survived by a sister Ellen (Bill) Garner of Rockwood. Predeceased by sister Jean Smith and brother Herman

Morris. Fondly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Friends will be received at Reynolds Creek United Church (Putnam) on Saturday, July 7 (visitation 11 a.m. to 12 noon) where the memorial service will be conducted at noon. Interment Dorchester Union Cemetery at 3 p.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Alzheimer Society of London and Middlesex, 435 Windermere Road, London, ON N5X 2T1 gratefully acknowledged. Arrangements entrusted to Bieman Funeral Home, Dorchester, 519-268-7672.

DEATHS

John Edward Johnson

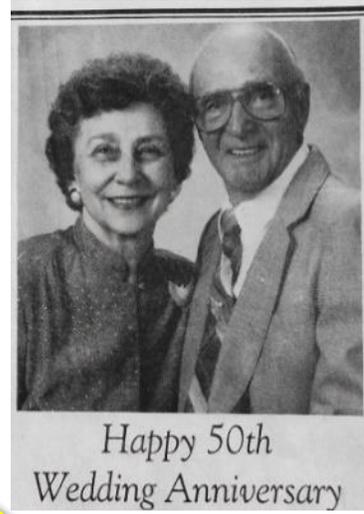
A funeral for John Edward Johnson, 77, of Avon, a retired carpenter and farmer, was held Friday, September 16.

He died Tuesday, September 13, 1994 following a heart attack suffered while driving the family car. His wife Grace Johnson was in the car and was able to bring it to a stop. She said they were about half a mile from their home at the time.

Mr. Johnson was the son of Ezra and Myrtle (Abbott) Johnson.

He lived his life in the area. He resided at the family farm for 50 years before moving into the community of Avon.

Mr. Johnson was a carpenter for several years and was later employed as a bookkeeper at the Borden plant in Ingersoll.



Fourth Child of Mary Dundass and Moulton Morris:

Verna Ellen

B 1924 N Dorchester

D 06 June 2022 Guelph

M 12 Jun 1948

Spouse: William (Bill) Garner

B unknown

D 29 Sept 2018 Guelph

Raised at the Lot 12 Con 4 farm, she was another young Morris girl that went into nursing, Verna boarded in Dorchester with an aunt while attending Dorchester Continuation School. This was followed by Sir Adam Beck Collegiate and Victoria Hospital School of Nursing, graduating in 1945. Like her sister Grace, she was on the supervisory nursing staff. She married William Garner of Harrietsville in 1948. Two children were born in N Dorchester before the family moved to Acton and then to Rockwood in Wellington County where they had six more children.

The farmhouse was very small and they had eight children. Family stories relate the chaos around the kitchen table. Nursing was Ellen's career just like her older sister. Ellen and William enjoyed bowling as per the 1972 Acton Free Press. William Garner worked as a mechanic as well as tending the farm.

Victoria Hospital, Morris, Miss Ellen, nurse 73
1945 Voters List

Rockwood Bowling

The ladies don't mind admitting to being over 500 when it comes to bowling scores and last Tuesday's games showed a dozen area ladies really hitting the old alley. Rita Loof 621; Millie Smith 610; Ivy Ritchie 602; Ellen Garner 567; Irene LaVole 565; Mary Stahlbaum 560; Viv Nightingale 557; Ruth Kingsbury 528; Peggy Ellis 525; Gerry Hilton 512; Mary Lush 505; and Orma Ferguson 503.

Carneys Plumbing and Heating team vied for top place with the Junior Farmers with a 4 to 3 point standing as Bob Lilley hurled a 192 single game, John Carney a 106 and Betty Burnett, that happy, hustling, affable bus driver, single handedly bowled in a 186 single score. Glen Gray for the Junior Farmers made a 242 single, Darlene Hawks a 261 and Paul May a 171 single.



Mrs. Ellen Garner passed away peacefully at St. Joseph's Health Centre, Guelph on Monday, June 6, 2022 at the age of 98 years. Beloved wife of the late Bill Garner (2018 for 70 years. Loving mother of Brian, Barbara (Ray), Linda, the late Bill (Deb), Donald, Richard (Robyn), Anne and Kevin (Jennifer). Proud grandmother to 12 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

Spouse: William Garner D 2018



Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott Child of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence

Third Child: Elisha Thomas

B 1857 W Oxford

D 06 May 1875 W Oxford (age 18)

ELLIOTT--In West Oxford [township], suddenly, on the 6th inst., Elisha Thomas, eldest son of Mr. James Elliott, aged 18 years
Ingersoll Chronicle



"Elisha Thomas, died May 6, 1875, aged 18 years / Albert Edward, died November 5, 1866, aged 10 weeks, children of James & Sarah C. Elliott /"

He died within a few days of his cousin Lillian Elliott – both died of a Scarlet Fever outbreak in Oxford Co at that time.

Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott Child of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence

Fourth and last Child: James Rezeau

B 23 Sept 1859 W Oxford

D 02 Nov 1942 Vancouver

M 03 Nov 1883 Ingersoll

Spouse: Agnes "Aggie" Stephenson

B 11 Apr 1864 W Oxford

D 01 May 1942 Vancouver

Rezeau was James' great grandmother's maiden name on Sarah Lawrence's side. He often went by J R Elliott, which was often confused with John Rogers (J R) Elliott who was a cousin (Book 7). Wife Agnes was the daughter of James and Mary Stephenson. Her parents were of Scottish decent having emigrated in the 1840s and lived a couple of kilometres south of Ingersoll on Harris Road at Lot 19 Con 3 just NW of Salford on the Dereham W Oxford township border. James was born in W Oxford at Lot 23 Con 2, about three kilometers from Agnes' family home. In 1902, JR purchased portions of Con 2 Lot 17/18 W Oxford from his father. He later sold the properties in 1903 through to 1906 and the couple moved into Ingersoll in 1905. He also removed any mortgages on the W Zorra farm that his father and uncle fought over during the cheese factory escapade. The couple owned a large home in the south east corner of Thames St S and Holcroft St.

FOR SALE - THE UNDERSIGNED offers for sale either of the two following farms: Parts of lots 17 and 18 in the 2nd concession of West Oxford, containing by admeasurement, 116 acres, be the same more or less. East half of lot 7 in the 1st concession of West Zorra containing by admeasurement 100 acres be the same more or less. These are two good farms and well situated, and I intend to sell one and keep the other. James R. Elliott, Box: 144, Ingersoll.

1905 Chronicle ad



James Rizeau Lot 18 Con 2 W Oxford house 1900



The couple owned a large home in the south east corner of Thames St S and Holcroft St. Ingersoll house - named "Cruden" by family

Mr. James R. Elliott's sale of cows on Thursday was a decided success. Thirty-four cows and heifers averaged \$29, which is an excellent price for this time of year.

Chronicle Oct 27, 1899

Being only 50 years old when he sold the farms, he went to work as a driver for the St Charles Condensing Co. in Ingersoll. The business was later called the Borden's Milk Co. and was located at King and Whiting streets.



photo:
St. Charles Condensing Co. 1900

A June 26 1926 US Border Manifest showed the couple had crossed to the USA with the substantial sum of \$7000.00 for the purposes of taking up permanent residents. Their contact was daughter Edith in Wisconsin. The plan never reached fruition as may be obvious when

you read Edith's history on page 47. The couple returned to Ingersoll within months.

MANIFEST 1
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
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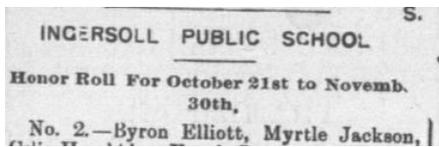
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Age 46	Occupation Retired	Date JUN 28 1926
Height 5 ft 9 in	Complexion Med	Race Eng
Place of birth West Oxford, Ont.	Nationality Canada	Language Eng
Country Canada	Language reason for exemption Eng	Wife Yes
City Waukegan, Wis	State Wis	Money shown 7000.00
Going to join relative or friend Edith	Address 126 S Grand Ave - Do-	Head tax status CN: 41273
Time remaining in U. S. Perm	Intend to become U. S. Reside	
Name and address of nearest relative Wife: Agnes	Address 126 S Grand Ave - Do-	

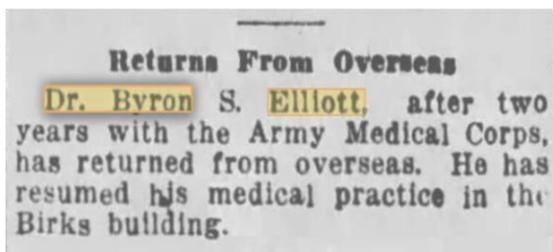
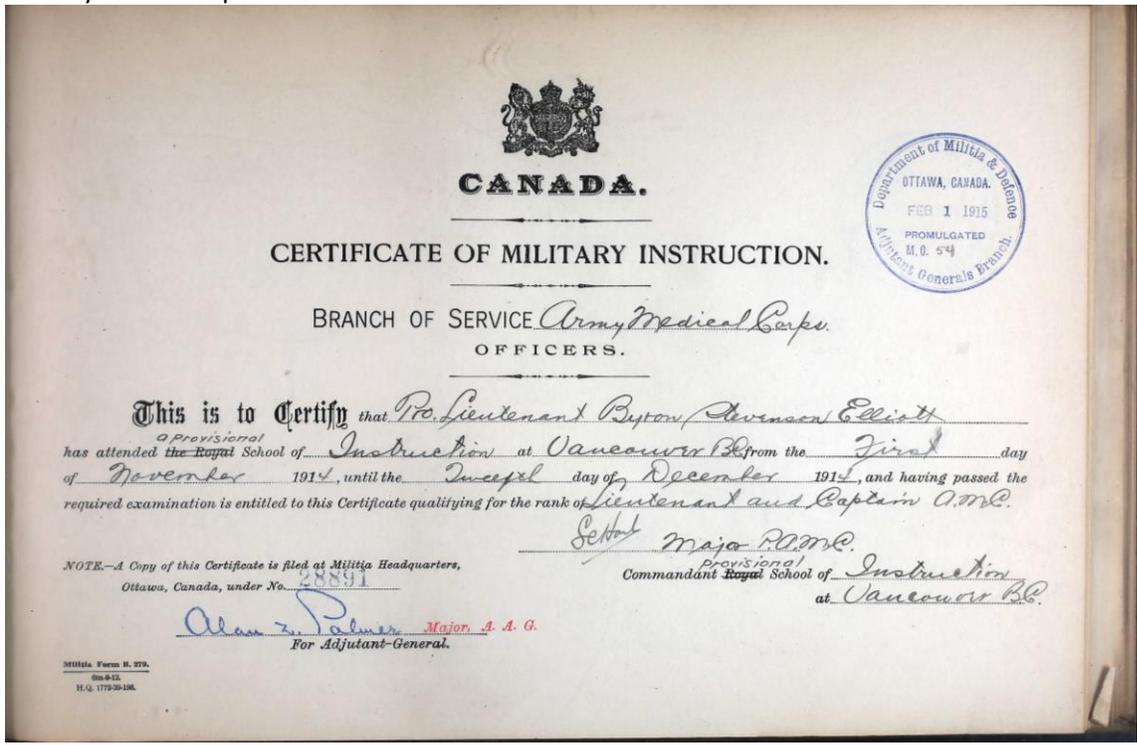
When the couple were in their late 70s and early 80s and living in Ingersoll, their daughter Sarah died in 1940. She lived locally and was likely a caregiver. With their children dispersed and none living locally, a decision was made to move to Vancouver to be with their doctor son Byron. In November of 1941 they arrived in Vancouver. Although in the care of their doctor son, the couple did not survive long. Agnes died seven months after their arrival and James R joined her in death six months later.

MRS. JAMES R. ELLIOTT LAID TO REST HERE

The funeral of Agnes Stephenson, dearly beloved wife of James R. Elliott, who passed away in Vancouver, British Columbia, on Friday, May 1st, 1942, was held on Sunday afternoon, May 10th, from the Preston T. Walker Funeral Home, King St. W., Ingersoll. Mrs. Elliott died quite unexpectedly after an illness of only two weeks duration following an influenza cold. She was in her 79th year and was born on Harris St., in West Oxford [township], a few miles from the boundaries of Ingersoll. She was of pioneer Scotch stock, her parents having settled in West Oxford [township], almost a century ago and cleared the land for farming purposes. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott farmed in West Oxford [township] until 1906 when they came to Ingersoll where they made their home almost continuously ever since. Mrs. Elliott through her kindly and unassuming disposition endeared herself to a wide circle of friends by whom she was very highly esteemed. As a member of Trinity United Church, she regularly attended services and always took a keen interest in the activities of the church and its ladies' organizations. Mrs. Elliott never failed in her loyalty and affection for her native Oxford. Since, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott went to Vancouver about seven months ago, to make their home with their son, they celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary and Mrs. Elliott observed her 78th birthday. Left to mourn the passing of a devoted and dearly loved wife and mother are her husband, now in Vancouver; one son, Dr. Byron S. Elliott, Vancouver; two daughters, Mrs. Edward F. Kirkness, Baltimore, Maryland and Edith E. Elliott, Toronto; one daughter, Mrs. Albert N. Riley, predeceased her one and a half years



Born and raised on his father's W Oxford Co. farm, Byron was an honours student educated at Ingersoll Collegiate. After training as a doctor in Toronto and interning in New York State, he moved to Vancouver. With the outbreak of the Great War, Byron went overseas serving with the Canadian Army Medical Corp. He returned via New York City in 1919 with a military rank of Captain.



Byron was already in Vancouver when he started his war service and returned immediately after. He likely was enticed by the opening of the new St. Paul's Hospital that was being built in downtown Vancouver and was hoping that he could quickly move up the organizational ladder. It did not take long. Byron was made a member of the surgical staff at St Paul's Hospital in Vancouver when it opened.

"The Medical Advisory Board held a regular monthly meeting, and on June 15, 1920 called a special meeting to select a Medical Staff for St. Paul's Hospital. After discussion it was finally decided to ask the following medical men to be members of St. Paul's Hospital Staff -- duration of appointments to be one year. Doctors occupying salaried positions in the Hospital were to be ex officio members of the Staff."

PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS WHO FORMED THE FIRST STAFF IN 1920

Dr. H. R. Storrs	Dr. C. S. Covernton	Dr. J. M. Pearson
Dr. F. X. McPhillips	Dr. J. C. Farish	Dr. Archibald Smith
Dr. A. J. MacLachlan	Dr. B. S. Elliott	Dr. T. A. Wilson
Dr. R. C. Boyle	Dr. R. E. McKechnie	Dr. T. H. Wilson
Dr. W. D. Kennedy	Dr. W. C. McKechnie	Dr. G. S. Gordon
Dr. L. N. MacKechnie	Dr. H. H. Milburn	Dr. C. H. Vrooman
Dr. E. J. Gray	Dr. F. P. Patterson	Dr. W. A. McConkey
Dr. T. B. Anthony	Dr. W. D. Patton	Dr. C. W. Prowd
Dr. E. D. Carder		Dr. W. D. Keith

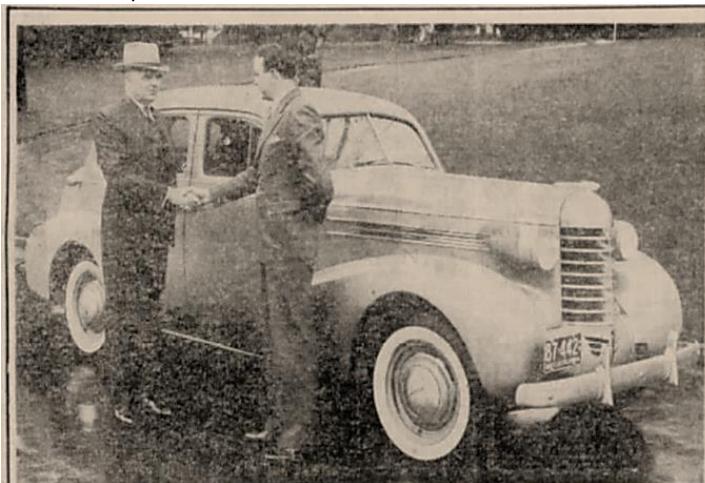
Courtesy: History of St Paul's Hospital

St Paul's Hospital, Vancouver BC circa 1920. Courtesy: History of St Paul's Hospital

Like his cousin, Dr. George Elliott Seldon, who was also a MD in Vancouver in the same time, Bryon also made the papers for court related activities.

Courtesy: History of St Paul's Hospital

Dr Byron Elliott picking up his new automobile, June 1931.



Geo. Clement of Stonehouse Motors Ltd. is shown complimenting **Dr. Byron S. Elliott** on taking delivery of one of the new 1937 Oldsmobile De Luxe Sedans. This car is today's style leader. Many orders have been placed for this popular line of automobiles and Stonehouse Motors Ltd. anticipate making delivery on all models very shortly.

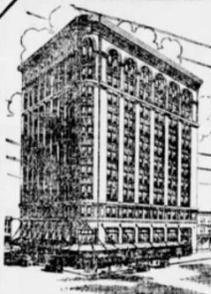
Stonehouse Motors Limited
 418 West Georgia Street Seymour 4308
 Headquarters for Chevrolet and Oldsmobile

Doctor's Bill Fixed On Ability to Pay

Ability of the patient to pay, was practically the basis on which Judge Cayley fixed the amount of judgment in a county court case heard Friday.

Dr. Byron S. Elliott, physician of the Birk's building, sued Col. W. R. Dockerill, 3251 the Crescent, Shaughnessy Heights, claiming \$551 for professional services, in connection with an operation for appendicitis performed in 1922. The total amount of the bill was \$1,051, which included fees for two consultations and assistance in two operations, of another doctor, **Dr. C. E. Gillies**. Col. Dockerill disputed the account and paid only \$500, **Dr. Elliott** suing for the balance.

Evidence that the Mayo Brothers, Rochester, Minn., charged usually at the rate of 10 per cent of the patient's income and that Col. Dockerill received a salary of \$6000 a year, was given, Judge Cayley then fixing the amount due by Col. Dockerill at \$600, plus the \$200 for the other doctor. This left a balance, his honor found, of \$300 still due **Dr. Elliott**.



THE BUILDING FOR BUSINESS

In one day last week one of our elevators carried 1450 passengers. This means that well over 2000 people pass through the Birks Building every business day.

The following tenants have located with us in the last three months: **Dr. F. J. Bezeau**, Dentist; Canadian Inspection and Testing Laboratories; **J. B. Cherry**, Barrister; **Dr. F. C. Farish**; **Dr. J. Ellis Griffith**; Gibson Company, Photographers; **Gardiner & Mercer**, Architects; **Dr. D. H. Gillies**; **Drs. Byron and Elliott**; **A. L. Hunter**, Barrister; **Geo. J. A. Sutherland**, Barrister; **E. J. Robinson**; **C. E. Richardson**; **A. O. Suttan**, Barrister.

The following firms have increased their space in the building: The Canadian Explosives Limited; The Dominion Cartridge Co.; **H. P. Peterson**, Contractor; **Drs. Jordan and Gamble**.

Drs. T. M. Nicholson and **F. P. Pattison** will occupy offices on the fifth floor as soon as alterations are complete.

ARE YOU HAPPILY LOCATED?

THE BIRKS BUILDING
GEO. E. TROREY, Manager Granville and Georgia

According to voter's census 1919, Dr Elliott worked and lived in the Birks Building on the seventh floor. It was famous for the clock in front of the building. The "under the Birks clock" location was a noted downtown spot as a place to meet.

Dr Byron Elliott was in several automobile accidents while in British Columbia and was reprimanded several times for excessive speed and careless driving. It led to tragic results.

Automobiles Collide on Granville St.
Dr. Byron S. Elliott, driving his automobile, No. 1256, ran into car No. 9122 at 8:20 o'clock last night and the fender of his machine was damaged. He was going north on Granville, approaching Robson, and intended to stop at the Orpheum theatre, when he suddenly saw the other car in front of him, according to a report submitted to the police.

MRS. NESTMAN DIES OF AUTO INJURIES

A victim of injuries received in an automobile accident at 1 a.m. Thursday, Mrs. Renith Maude Nestman, 24, 6741 Cypress Street, died in the General Hospital late Friday afternoon.

She was the wife of Johny Nestman, local baseball player, and leaves also a son, Jerry, and a daughter, Thelma.

An inquest will open at 2 p.m. Tuesday, **Dr. W. D. Brydone-Jack** announced.

Mrs. Nestman, with her husband, and Mrs. Charles W. Charles, 3609 Arbutus Street, was a passenger in a car driven by Mr. Charles when a collision occurred at Thirty-third Avenue and Angus Drive with an automobile in charge of **Dr. Byron S. Elliott**, 1828 West Thirty-third Avenue, according to police reports.

Besides her husband and two children, Mrs. Nestman is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Munday, New Westminster; a brother, Otis; and a sister, Mrs. J. Gardner.

Funeral services will be conducted at 3 p.m. Wednesday in Mount Pleasant Funeral Chapel by Rev. F. Plaskett, interment in Ocean View Burial Park.

FIVE INJURED IN AUTO CRASH IN VANCOUVER

Canadian Press
Vancouver, Sept. 3.—Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Nestman, Cypress Street, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Charles, Arbutus Street, were injured at 1 o'clock this morning when an auto in which they were passengers collided with another at the corner of Thirty-third Avenue and Angus Drive.

Nestman is captain and third baseman of the Arrows baseball team, and Charles is manager of the Arrows team in the city league.

Mrs. Nestman and Mrs. Charles were removed to the General Hospital, both suffering from bruises and shock. Their condition was not serious, it was stated at noon.

Dr. Byron S. Elliott, driver of the second car, escaped with minor injuries. Both Nestman and Charles received bruises and cuts, but were able to proceed to their homes.

Drivers Rebuked in Nestman Fatality

Death as the result of injuries sustained in an automobile collision, at Thirty-third Avenue and Angus Drive, September 3, was the verdict of the coroner's jury investigating the death of Mrs. Maude Nestman, who died in Vancouver General Hospital, Sept. 4.

The jury expressed the opinion that the drivers of both cars figuring in the collision, C. W. Charles and **Dr. Byron S. Elliott**, did not use sufficient precaution in approaching the intersection.

Byron married Blanche "Bea" Lord of Ladner, BC. According to the 1931 Vancouver census, Blanche was born in the US and emigrated with her family in 1904 when she was a toddler. She was naturalized in 1914 and was working as a RN in Vancouver. She met Byron in the operating theatre of St. Paul's where she was a nurse in training. They lived on the 2800 block of 35th Ave. Vancouver. Byron's preference for speeding resulted in Blanche being severely injured in an auto rollover on the cliff side Oregon Coast Highway.

ELLIOTT — Blanche V. (nee Lord) of Vancouver, B.C., passed away peacefully at Shaughnessy Hospital August 4, 1988 after a long and courageous fight against heart disease. Predeceased by her husband, Dr. Byron S. Elliott in 1961. She will be greatly missed by her loving family, daughter, Mary de Jong and grandsons, Derek and Ryan of Vancouver and son, Byron and Linda of Richmond, sisters, Mrs. Leona Wright and husband, Clifford of Ladner, Mrs. Emily Stewardson and husband, Ken of White Rock; brothers, Edward Lord and wife, Hilda of Qualicum, Richard Lord and wife, Orlie of New Westminster and many nieces, nephews, friends and relatives. Heartfelt thanks to relatives and friends, Dr. Rotem, Dr. Bar-Shlomo, Dr. H. Birnbaum and Dr. I. MacDonald and nurses and staff at Shaughnessy Hospital who were so kind, caring and supportive during her illness. Bea was a graduate of St. Paul's Hospital and worked in the operating room for many years. She will be fondly remembered and deeply missed by all who knew her. Flowers gratefully declined.

DR. B. S. ELLIOTT PASSES IN B.C.

Dr. Byron Stephenson Elliott of Vancouver, BC, passed away on April 4th, 1961, and funeral service was held at 11 am, Friday, April 7th, at the Simmons McBride Funeral Chapel with Rev. C. L. Streight officiating. Left to mourn his passing are his wife, Blanche; one daughter, Mary Evelyn and one son, Byron Stephenson, at home; one sister, Edith Evelyn Elliott, Toronto; and two nephews, N. E. Riley of Toronto, and Byron E. Kirkness of Baltimore, Maryland. His mother, Mrs. Agnes Stephenson Elliott, his father, James Rizeau Elliott; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Burns Kirkness and Mrs. Sarah Agnes Riley and an infant brother, James Hay Elliott predeceased him. The deceased was a member of the Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 100, AF AM, the Canadian Club, Shaughnessy United Church and a veteran of World War I. He was born at Maple Grove Farm, West Oxford [township], near Ingersoll, on August 3, 1884. He attended Ingersoll Public School and Collegiate Institute. After he graduated from the University of Toronto in 1907 and had a period of internship with a doctor in White Plains, New York, after which he established a practice in 1913 in Vancouver. The funeral was held from the McRoberts Funeral Home, Ingersoll, on Wednesday, afternoon April 12th, with service at 2 o'clock conducted by Rev. Ralph E. King, of Trinity United Church. The pallbearers were B. G. Jenvey, Dr. Robert McKay, William Langstroth, Stanley Elliott, Fred Alderson and Glen Stewart. Interment was made in the family plot in the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery.

The couple had two children, Mary Evelyn and Byron.

Byron Stephenson Elliott was born in 1944. He made front page news April 2, 1962 as he had a serious run in with the authorities and was subsequently found guilty and sent to penitentiary for two years. He was 18 at the time and his father had passed away 11 months before. He was married and living in Richmond BC as late as 1988.

I have been unable to locate Mary Evelyn Elliott DeJong with any accuracy.



GEOFFREY BOUCHER and BYRON ELLIOTT under guard . . . off to prison

Nanaimo Daily News
Sat, Jun 09, 1962 · Page 3

3 Youths Jailed For Attack Bid

Two youths were sentenced to four years each today for attempting to rape a 15-year-old Vancouver girl.

A third youth was sentenced by Mr. Justice Wootton to two years in the penitentiary.

Geoffrey Knox Boucher, 20, of 1620 West Fifth, and Thomas Carleton Allen, 17, of 191 West Twenty-first, were each sentenced to the longer terms on a reduced charge of attempting to rape the girl.

Byron Elliott, 18, of 1828 West Thirty-fifth, got two years.

The all-male jury reduced the charge from rape to attempted

rape after a four-day trial. They recommended leniency in Elliott's case.

Mr. Justice Wootton told the trio:

"In passing sentence I must consider the deterrent effect on other persons. There has been more than enough of this miserable performance by young men.

"I must also consider mercy, although you didn't consider

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Attempted Assault Ends In Jail Terms For Three

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"In passing sentence I must consider the deterrent effect on other persons. There has been more than enough of this

miserable performance by young men.

"I must also consider mercy although you didn't consider mercy to the girl. Fortunately for you the girl did not suffer too much injury."

The girl testified in closed court that she was raped three times in an hour, twice by Boucher and once by Allan, in a car parked on the University grounds April 3. She said Elliott also was in the car.

Police arrested the trio after a passing motorist picked up the girl and drove her home.

Defence counsel described the young girl as "a confirmed liar" and a person of low morals.

Crown counsel Albert Mack-off said the girl's reputation did not give the youths a licence to rape.

Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott

Grandchild of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence

Child of James Rizeau Elliott and Agnes Stephenson

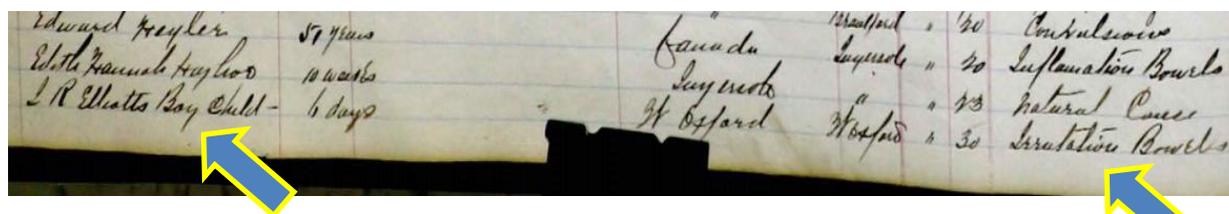
Second Child: James Hay

B 24 Aug 1886

D 29 Aug 1886 6 days

Birth Notice: ELLIOTT—"In West Oxford [township], on the 24th inst., the wife of James R. Elliott, of a son" - Ingersoll Chronicle & Canadian Dairyman, Aug 26, 1886

IRC Burial Index Aug 26, 1886 of bowel obstruction at age 6 days



Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott
Grandchild of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence
Child of James Rizeau Elliott and Agnes Stephenson

Third Child: Mary Byre B 14 Aug 1887 W Oxford.
 D 11 July 1946 Toronto Buried IRC
 M 27 Apr 1924 Toronto

Spouse: Edward Frank Kirkness B Dec 1876 Hamilton, Ont.
 D Jan 1943 Baltimore, Maryland
 Edward is buried in the National Military Cemetery in Baltimore

Mary was born and raised on the James Elliott "Maplegrove" farm southwest of Ingersoll. She was smart at school and had a passion for the medical field. Perhaps she was influenced by her older brother's medical training.

In 1910, Mary Byre Elliott started training as a nurse at the prestigious John Hopkins University in Baltimore. She graduated in 1913. (Note: photo below). It is unclear as to why she chose or was accepted to such a prestigious school.

Edward Kirkness, son of John Kirkness Sr. emigrated from the Orkney Islands around 1865 and was employed by the Hudson Bay Co. in Winnipeg. His family moved to Hamilton, Ont. in 1872 and set up a photography studio. Father John became a famous outdoor and naturalist photographer. He won several awards at Expositions in Chicago, St Louis, Cincinnati and Hamilton. Son Edward was 2 years old when the family moved to Baltimore in 1879. They set up a photography studio in Baltimore and John became the official photographer for the city of Baltimore. You can find and purchase photos from the Kirkness studio on Etsy.

HELP—FEMALE. (14)
 AGENTS wanted; something entirely new. Apply
Kirkness Photo Studio, Broadway and Bank st.

You can find and purchase photos from the Kirkness studio on Etsy.

Wedding Announced.
 Mr. and Mrs. James R. Elliott, of Cruden, Ingersoll, Ontario, Canada, have announced the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mary Byres Elliott, to Edward Franklin Kirkness, of Baltimore. The ceremony was performed last Thursday at St. Michael and All Angels' Protestant Episcopal Church by the Rev. D. P. Allison, assistant rector. Mr. and Mrs. John J. Kirkness, Jr., acted as best man and matron of honor, respectively.
 Mr. Kirkness is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John J. Kirkness, of Hamilton, Ontario. The bride is a graduate of the Johns Hopkins Hospital Training School for Nurses. After a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Kirkness will be at home in Baltimore.



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Antique B&W American Family of 6 Portrait Photo, Kirkness Studio
 Baltimore MD

CA\$113.00

While in Baltimore, Mary met Edward and they married in 1924. Neither were young as Edward was 48 years old and Mary

was 37 at the time of their marriage. It was Edward's second marriage and he had two daughters at the time. Edward had worked at the family studio in his youth but eventually went to work at the Post Office. He became the assistant supervisor at the Merchant's Station Post Office Branch. Mary worked at John Hopkins Hospital. Edward walked to and from work every day, a habit he started while a youth in Hamilton.

He used his long-distance walking ability to sharpen his athletic skills and was known in Baltimore as an excellent track and field athlete for his entire life. As a young man, he was constantly on the podium.

When he grew older, he continued competing in local events and specialized in race walking. He also was a highly respected coach in Baltimore athletics. The post office held sporting events and at age 47 he was walking weekends from Baltimore to Washington DC as a training exercise for the walking races.



Postalmen Have Veteran Long-Distance Man In Three-Mile Walk In P. E. P. Games

Transcribed from 30th of August 1923, Baltimore Sun:

“He won the one mile walk in the first “All for Glory” meet held here. This story added to his energy and he then went after further laurels at the Fifth Regiment Armory. He captured the 220-, 440- and 880-yard walks and next set out to conquer things at Lake Gilford. For a number of years Kirkness had not been in active competition but has been keeping in excellent walking form. A jaunt to Washington is one of his hobbies. Probably the best time he has made of this walk is 7 hours and 38 minutes with the last five miles done in 58 minutes. He coached the City College track team in 1921 and knows the fine point of track.”

Baltimore Sun Jan. 1943

TRACK EVENTS.

50-Yard Dash—C. T. Schwatka, Walter Cogswell, Charles Brodie, R. A. Poole, Jr., E. F. Kirkness, J. Howard Norris and G. M. Koockogey.

220-Yard Run—Walter Cogswell, W. A. Poole, C. T. Schwatka, Charles Brodie, R. A. Poole, Jr., E. F. Kirkness, J. Howard Norris, G. M. Koockogey, T. Ward Norris, Otto Danneburg and Herbert Wheeler.

440-Yard Run—E. F. Kirkness, H. C. Foreman, C. C. Foreman, W. A. Poole, C. T. Schwatka and G. M. Koockogey.

880-Yard Run—G. M. Koockogey, W. A. Poole and E. F. Kirkness.

FIELD CONTESTS.

Running High Jump—Charles Brodie, R. A. Poole, Jr., E. F. Kirkness, J. Howard Norris, H. C. Foreman, Otto Danneburg, W. A. Poole and C. T. Schwatka.

Running Broad Jump—Walter Cogswell, W. A. Poole, C. T. Schwatka, R. A. Poole, Jr., E. F. Kirkness, J. Howard Norris, G. M. Koockogey, C. C. Foreman, T. Ward Norris, Otto Danneburg and Herbert Wheeler.

Putting Shot—R. A. Poole, Jr., E. F. Kirkness, W. A. Poole, H. C. Foreman, T. Ward Norris and J. Howard Norris.

Standing High Jump—J. Howard Norris, E. F. Kirkness, C. T. Schwatka, R. A. Poole, Jr., W. A. Poole and Charles Brodie.

EDWARD E. KIRKNESS

47 years old, is entered in the three-mile walk for the postalmen in the P. F. P. games. He walks to work each morning, and gets his training in this manner. He was ready for his event as soon as the contests were announced, as he walks daily to and from work.

E. F. Kirkness
Dies At 67

Military Funeral Being Arranged For Former Post-office Employee

Arrangements for a military funeral were being made today for Edward F. Kirkness, 67-year-old Spanish-American War veteran, who died Saturday. Burial will be in the National Cemetery on Frederick avenue.

Mr. Kirkness won the walking championship in the postal-firemen-police athletic meets held here some years ago. A jaunt to Washington afoot was one of his hobbies.

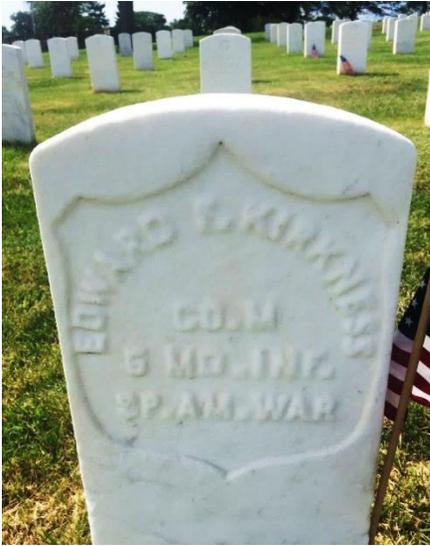
Coached Track Team
 His best-recorded time for the Baltimore-to-Washington walk was seven hours and and thirty minutes. In the first P. F. P. meet, he won the mile, the 220, the 440 and the 880 yard walking events.

During the life of the interdepartmental athletic meets, he was a trainer for the postoffice track team. He also coached the City College track team in 1921. In recent years he served as an official at numerous track and field meets.

Retired After 42 Years
 Mr. Kirkness retired from the postoffice after forty-two years' service in 1940. For a number of years prior to that he had been the special clerk at the merchants station of the department at Paca and Fayette streets. His home was at 2705 Fenwick avenue.

Surviving him are his wife, the former Miss Mary Byres Elliott; a son, Byron E. F. Kirkness; a daughter by a previous marriage, Miss Minnie L. Kirkness, and two brothers, John J. and George H. Kirkness.

Edward Kirkness D Jan 1943.
 He was a Spanish War Veteran at age 24 and was buried in Baltimore National Cemetery



New Md.
 WAR DEPARTMENT
 Q. M. G. FORM No. 14
 Revised Oct. 6, 1928

Born in Canada.
Ent. in Md.
 (LATIN CROSS)
ORIGINAL
 National Cemetery
S.A.W.

Interment in the BALTIMORE
 To—The Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

NAME	RANK	COMPANY	REGIMENT OR VESSEL			DIVISION, IF WORLD WAR SOLDIER		
			Number	State	Arm			
Kirkness, Edward F. <i>no sub. serv. pt.</i>	Pvt.	"M"	5th	Maryland	Infantry.	<i>Ent. 6-21-98. Dis. 11-5-98. H.M.</i>		
DATE OF DEATH		DATE OF INTERMENT		GRAVE MARK		REMARKS		
Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year	Section	Grave No.	Date of discharge and number of Pension Certificate, Disinterments, etc.
Jan.	2	1943	Jan.	5	1943	"D"	1697	Honorably Disch. November 5th, 1898 Auth. Interment, Radio, OQMG, January 4th, 1943-SPQYA 413.

State desired on Headstone (MARYLAND)
 Shipping point for headstones Camp Holabird, Maryland.
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 West Rutland, Vt. JUN 1 1943 Harold Montague
 Superintendent.

3-2500 3823637 (See Instructions on Reverse Side)

As noted, after graduation, Mary Byre (Elliott) was a nurse at John Hopkins hospital for several years. She was found in the 1920 City Directory for Baltimore living at 907 N Broadway in Baltimore. Google maps shows this building as being an apartment about 4 blocks from John Hopkins Hospital.

Note: the 1921 Ontario census has a Mary (right age) living with her brother James Rizeau and family back in Ingersoll. Did she move back home after graduation before returning to Baltimore?

Graduate Class of 1913 John Hopkins Nursing School.
(Courtesy: Alan Chesney Medical Archive)



Back row: 1) P. Stock; 2) E. Warfield; 3) E. Raymond; 4) A. Strong; 5) L. Creighton; 6) I. Smith; 7) M. Owens; 8) E. Cassell; 9) M. Hall; 10) M. Buchanan; 11) M. Smith; 12) H. Zurawski; 13) H. Simpson; 14) M. Elliott; 15) G. Perot; 16) E. Hagen; 17) S. Hopkins; 18) M. Sinclair; 19) L. King; 20) A. Millner. Middle row: 1) G. Hyslep; 2) A. Cron; 3) B. Sanderson; 4) M. Quigley; 5) Miss Miller; 6) Miss Baker; 7) Miss Lawler; 8) Miss Thomas; 9) Miss Taylor; 10) Miss Bailey; 11) K. Troutwine; 12) K. Wolfe; 13) B. Mount. Front row: 1) A. McConvilee; 2) M. Smith; 3) E. Herpick; 4) C. Motherwell; 5) J. Dieter; 6) K. Cowan; 7) M. Lomax; 8) K. Staples; 9) N. Glascock; 10) E. Trax; 11) R. Waterbury.

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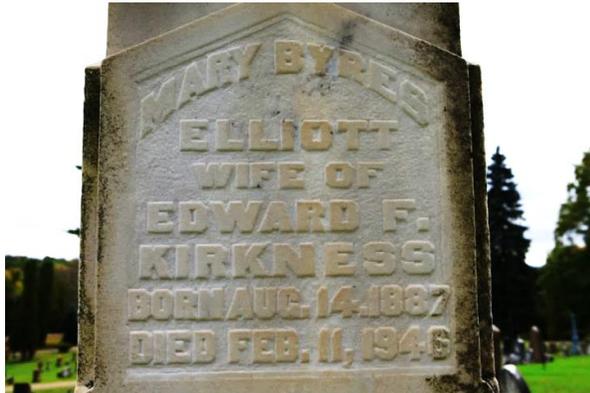


The archiving of the above photo was done after her marriage as it lists her married name. In 1914, Mary B was listed as a witness at her sister Sarah's wedding. When Mary married Edward on the 27th of April, 1924, she became a stay-at-home mother at age 40. The couple had only child, son Byron who was born in 1927.

After Edward's death in 1943, 56-year-old Mary moved back to Ingersoll where she lived until she her health led her to move to her sister Edith's home in Toronto. She died of colon cancer in 1946 only four years after her parents' deaths. She is buried with her parents in Ingersoll Rural Cemetery.

FORMER RESIDENT PASSES IN TORONTO

The death occurred at Toronto on Monday of Mary Byres Kirkness in her 59th year. Born on Maplegrove Farm, West Oxford [township], she resided for some years in Ingersoll. She was the eldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James R. Elliott. Graduating from Johns Hopkins Hospital, as a nurse in 1913, she followed her profession of nursing for a number of years. She later married Edward F. Kirkness and resided in Baltimore, Maryland, until 1944, when she returned to Ingersoll. Surviving is one son, Byron E. E. Kirkness, Baltimore, MD., one sister, Miss Edith E. Elliott, Toronto; a brother, Dr. Byron S. Elliott, Vancouver, BC, and a nephew, N. Elliott Riley, Toronto. A sister, Mrs. A. N. Riley, predeceased her. The funeral will be held this afternoon from Toronto for interment in the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery



Ingersoll Tribune July 14, 1946

James Rizeau and Agnes Stephenson: daughter Mary Byre Kirkness Buried IRC

Son: **Byron Edward Elliott Kirkness** B 30 Nov 1927 Baltimore – D 12 May 2009 Crownsville, Maryland.

He served in the Second World War and followed in the family business as a photographer. He is buried in Crownsville Veteran Cemetery in Maryland.

Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott

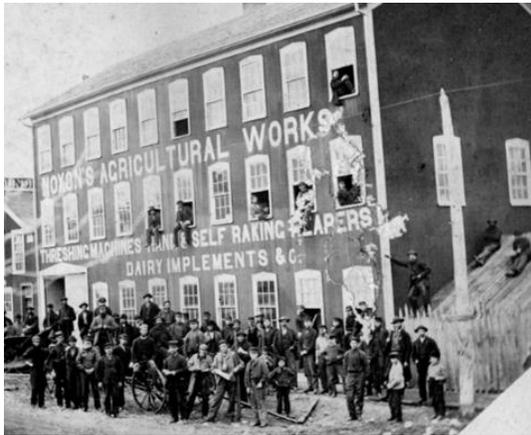
Grandchild of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence

Child of James Rizeau Elliott and Agnes Stephenson

Fourth Child: Susan Agnes "Little Aggie" B 04 July 1890 W Oxford
 D 01 Oct 1940 Toronto
 M 09 Jun 1914 Ingersoll, Ont.

Spouse: Albert "Bertie" Nelson Riley B Mar 1885 Montreal
 D Feb 1955 Ottawa hospital – resident of Morrisburg

The fourth child of James Elliott and Agnes Stephenson grew up on Maplegrove Farm and attended primary and secondary school in Ingersoll. By her late teens, Aggie was a tall 5'7". She was a farm girl until she married Albert Riley in 1914 at age 24.



Spouse Albert "Bertie" Riley was born in Montreal. His family moved to Toronto around 1888 and he was raised there. His father Albert Edward Riley was a clergyman. His mother was Ella Kelsey. Bertie arrived in Ingersoll in his teens to work with his uncle in the cheese making business. He later worked at Noxon's Farm Equipment Co. in Ingersoll. When he was in his early 20's, he followed his father's profession and went to Evanston Academy in Evanston, Illinois from 1907 until 1909 for training. It was an advanced prep school for Northwestern University.

As per North Western University History website:

"Evanston Academy, which closed in 1917, had a history that dates back to 1859, when the Preparatory Department of Northwestern University, or the Preparatory School, was opened. The creation of the department was proposed by the Faculty of the College of Liberal Arts and approved by the Trustees of the University in 1857. In the absence of many secondary schools of quality in the Chicago area and Midwest, a preparatory department was felt essential in ensuring that Northwestern would receive students prepared to do college work. "

Northwestern University had a highly thought of ecumenical college at the time.

Port Huron, Mich.		Sept. - 10 - 1909	
Family name	RILEY	Guest name	ALBERT NELSON
Place of birth (town, country, etc.)	Montreal, Canada	Age	24 Yrs.
Race	English	Sex	M
Nationality	Canada	Occupation	Student
Last permanent residence (town, country, etc.)		Read	Y
Toronto, Canada.		Write	Y
Name and address of nearest relative or friend in country whence you came			
Father, Albert E. Riley, 178 Marquette St., Toronto, Canada.			
Left in U.S. from	Where	Passage paid by	
Chicago, Ill.	Chicago, Ill.	Self	
Destination, and name and address of relative or friend to join there			
Evanston Academy, Evanston, Ill.			
Money shown	Ever arrested and deported or excluded from admission	Head tax status	
\$30.00			
Height	Complexion	Hair	Eyes
5' 9"	Fair	Brown	Blue
Distinguishing marks			
None			
Support and date of landing and name of steamship			

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After graduation, he was found as a clergyman in Bloomington, Wisconsin which was a small city near the Mississippi River. How the couple met is unknown. A possibility is that his uncle Charles Wesley Riley may have introduced them. Charles was a resident of Ingersoll and would eventually become mayor. It appears the officiating minister of their wedding was Bertie's father. Susan's sister Mary, who was training as a nurse in Baltimore, attended as a witness. After their honeymoon, Aggie left with her husband to reside in Bloomington.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

Date 6/17, 1914

Name Agnes E. Riley

Age 23 Sex F Married or single Single

Occupation None

Able to read? Yes Write? Yes

Nationality Can

Place of birth Eng

Last place of residence Ingersoll

Name and complete address of nearest relative or friend in country whence alien came James R. Elliott
Ingersoll Wis

Destination Bloomington Wis

Ticket Free Who paid passage? Hub

Amount of money shown —

Ever in U. S. No When? — Where? —

Date of last departure from U. S. —

Going to U. S. on whom? With Hub

Address —

Border paperwork. July 1914

RILEY-ELLIOTT--From Wednesday's Daily--One of the prettiest of June weddings was solemnized this afternoon at "Cruden" the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Elliott, Thames St. S., when their second daughter, Sarah Agnes, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Rev. Albert Nelson Riley, of Bloomington, Wisconsin, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Riley of Toronto. In the drawing room under an arch of palms and cut flowers the ceremony was performed by Rev. C. J. McLean, assisted by Rev. L. W. Hill. To the strains of the wedding march from Lohengrin, played by the bride's sister, Miss Edith Evelyn Elliott, the bride was brought in and given away by her father. In the drawing room four young friends of the bride, Misses Clara Odell, Jennie Brooks, Gladys Holcroft, and Lela Kerr, as ribbon bearers, formed an aisle of cream satin ribbons through which the bridal party walked. The bride looked charming in her travelling suit, with blouse of figured ninon de chene over cream satin. She wore a chic little hat of white with touches of black, banked at the back with flowers beautifully blending with her costume and carried a shower bouquet of orchids and lilies of the valley. Her only attendant was her sister, Miss Mary Byres Elliott, of Baltimore, Maryland, as bridesmaid looked sweet in a costume of cream silk crepe and oriental lace with an over jacket of cream satin. Her bouquet was of American Beauty roses. Mr. Howard Riley

discharged the duties of best man. During the congratulations, Miss Lela Kerr gave a beautiful rendition of the wedding march on the piano and during the signing of the register, Miss Florence Waters, sang very sweetly. After the signing of the register the guests proceeded to the dining room where a very dainty buffet luncheon was served by four young friends of the bride. Here the colour scheme pale pink and white, the table being prettily decorated with pink and white satin ribbon. This was prettily roped from the chandelier to the four table corners and was held in place by silver and brass candlesticks. The table was centred by the bride's cake entwined with smilax and the flowers used were pink and white carnations. Mr. Joseph Gibson Sr., proposed the toast to the bride to which the groom ably responded. The groom's gift to the bride was beautiful pieces of silver, to the bridesmaids, an amethyst and pearl bar pin, to the best man, a gold tie pin, and to the pianist, soloist, and waitresses very pretty gold lace pins. The presents were numerous and costly, indicating the popularity of the bride. The bride will be greatly missed in musical circles of the town, she being prominently connected with the two musical clubs and an active member of the Methodist choir. From the choir she received a handsome casserole dish and from the Young Ladies Musical Club a lovely cut glass vase. The happy couple left on the 4:56 train for points east. They will return to Ingersoll for a few days, before leaving for their future home in Bloomington, Wisconsin.

Of note:

1. Sarah and James did live in Bloomington, Wisconsin for a time. He may have been a minister at a church there.
2. Sarah's witness was her older sister Mary Byre of Baltimore.
3. The Elliott's were staunch Methodists. Rev. Riley was a Baptist clergyman. I wonder how the dynamics played out in the family.

After the now married couple moved to Wisconsin in June of 1914. A month later, WWI broke out and Albert spent time working in field hospitals tending to the religious needs of the wounded. The 1921 Ingersoll census is intriguing, in that Aggie Riley was found living in Ingersoll with her parents John and Agnes. Her son Nelson (Elliott) age 4 was with her. She was listed as married. After the war, it appears Bertie may have been doing missionary work and was not at home.

1921 Census – Agnes Riley living with her parents in Ingersoll.

96	98	Elliott James R.			0	M	S	Bud	20	10	27	(61)
		Aggie			X							(33)
		Riley Agnes			0				0	02	10	(30)
		Elliott										

Albert spent considerable time as a missionary pastor in the US. It was during these times that wife Agnes Elliott spent time at her parent's home in Ingersoll with her young son Nelson Elliott.

MRS. A. N. RILEY PASSES AT TORONTO

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. James R. Elliott, Thames St. S., on the death of their second daughter, Agnes, dearly beloved wife of A. N. Riley, who passed away suddenly at the Toronto East General Hospital, on Tuesday, October 1st, 1940. Deceased who was in her 51st year, was a native of Ingersoll and attended the Ingersoll Public School and Collegiate Institute. She had been away and of late had resided in Toronto. Although she had been ill for the past ten weeks, her death came quite unexpectedly. Left to mourn her passing besides her husband is a son, Elliott Riley, with RCAF, at Camp Borden; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Elliott, Ingersoll; two sisters, Mrs. E. F. Kirkness, Baltimore, Maryland; Mrs. Edith Elliott Volk, Toronto, and a brother, Dr. Byron S. Elliott, Vancouver, BC. The funeral was held on Friday afternoon, October 4th, from the Mack Funeral Home, Toronto, with interment in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, in that city. Ingersoll Chronicle

After Agnes' death in 1940, Albert later married Doris Tracy and moved to the Cornwall, Ontario region. He had only been a resident of Morrisburg for a year when he died in an Ottawa hospital.

Funeral Service For A. N. Riley In Morrisburg

MORRISBURG — The funeral service of Albert N. Riley was held at Knox Presbyterian Church, Friday afternoon, being attended by many friends from the district where he was highly esteemed. The service was conducted by the minister, Rev. J. Hardwick, assisted by Rev. Robertson Millar, of Martintown, both close friends of the deceased.

His death at an Ottawa hospital on Jan. 18 followed a short illness though his health had not been good for some time.

A resident of Cornwall for several years, he was an active member of St. John's Presbyterian Church being chairman of the Board of Managers and an Elder. Since returning to Morrisburg last year, he was superintendent of the Sunday School and Elder of Knox Church.

Prior to the service, the body was taken to the church to lie in state from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Elders of the Church acted as a guard of honor. During the service the pastor, taking his text from the Book of Daniel, paid tribute to the deceased for his part in church affairs and kindly interest in outside activities. A duct, "The Old Rugged Cross," was rendered by Mrs. E. Jones and Mrs. D. Merkle.

Born at Montreal in 1885, he was a son of the late Edward Riley and his wife, Ella Kelsey. They moved to Toronto while he was a child and he attended schools there, graduating from a Toronto Business College, Gold Medalist of his year. He was later graduated from the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago and served as missionary pastor at several places in the United States.

RETURNED TO CANADA

After the outbreak of World War I he returned to Canada and joined the military Y.M.C.A., serving till 1932.

In 1914 he married Miss Agnes Elliott, of Ingersoll, who predeceased him in 1940. In 1942, he married Miss Doris Tracy, Morrisburg, who survives. They moved to Cornwall the same year, where he was receptionist at the Stormont Chemical Plant. When it closed after the war he joined the office staff of Courtaulds (Canada) Ltd., remaining there until he retired in 1934, when they returned to Morrisburg.

Other survivors are one son by his first marriage, Nelson Elliott Riley, Los Angeles, Calif., and one brother, C. W. Riley, Beechville, Ont.

Among relatives and friends from out-of-town who attended the service were, C. W. Riley, Beechville, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. George Tracy, Toronto; Mrs. Reuben Lane, High River, Alta.; Mr. and Mrs. Morris MacNamee, Westport; Mr. and Mrs. H. Dillen, Brockville; George Scarth, R. A. Dauncey, W. Marlin, R. H. Kirkey, all of Courtaulds Ltd., and many others, from Cornwall and other points.

The body was taken to Toronto for interment in Mount Pleasant cemetery.

Honorary bearers were E. M. Beckstead, Chas. Baker; Elders of Knox Church; Alex. Caldwell, Geo. Brown, W. Brown, J. R. Cameron, Geo. Adams, D. D. MacLeod, St. John's Church, Cornwall.

Active bearers, Elders of Knox Church, were Dwight Beckstead, Lorne Kirkaid, Carson Baker, A. Farlinger, Robt. Merkle, T. Fraser

Photo: Kingston Arts club executive



Feb 10, 1955 Ingersoll Tribune

FRIENDS MOURNING DEATH OF A. N. RILEY

Friends here have heard with regret of the passing of Albert N. Riley in Ottawa. Mr. Riley was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Edward Riley and was born in Montreal. He came to Ingersoll as a young man to work with his uncle, C. W. Riley, Sr., cheese exporter. He later worked with the Noxon Co. He attended the Moody Bible Institute then served as a missionary in the USA. He served with the Canadian YMCA during World War I and later in military hospitals. Since his retirement from Courtauld's Limited in Cornwall in 1954, Mr. and Mrs. Riley had made their home in Morrisburg. A very active church worker, he was an elder and a member of the Board of Managers of St. John's

Presbyterian Church in Cornwall and later elder and Sunday school superintendent at Knox Church, Morrisburg. Mr. Riley's first wife, Agnes Elliott of Ingersoll, died in 1940. He later married Doris Tracy of Morrisburg, who survives. He also leaves one son, Nelson E. Riley of Los Angeles and one brother, Charles W. Riley of Beachville.

Interestingly, no mention is made in his obit about his schooling in the US. Perhaps his second family was not aware of it. Albert was also heavily involved in the Kingston lawn bowling scene. Both are interred at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Toronto
Albert's uncle's family lived in Beachville. His cousin went on to be Ingersoll town mayor.

**Great Grandchildren of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence
Grandchild of James Rizeau Elliott and Agnes Stephenson
Only Child of Susan Agnes "Aggie" and Albert "Bertie" Riley**

Child: Nelson Elliott "Al"

B 18 Mar 1917 Toronto (the 1931 Canadian census says USA is birth location – emigrating in 1920)

M 12 Oct 1940 Toronto

D 29 Jan 1988 Port Moody, BC

Spouse: Lois Jean Shantz (Schrumm)

B 20 June 1921 Toronto

D 16 Nov 2011 Preston, Ont.

Spouse: Ruth Marie Peake

B 1925 Toronto

D 25 Feb 1995 Port Moody, BC

Interred Port Coquitlam Cemetery, Pt Coquitlam BC



Although listed as born 17th of March 1917 in Toronto, there are several documents hinting otherwise. The 1931 Canadian census says he was US born and emigrating in 1920. His marriage certificate states he was born in "Byron, United States". Just about every US state has a town named Byron, the most prominent being Byron Georgia.

Names in full	Nelson Elliott Riley	Lois Jean Shantz
Occupation	R.C.A.F.	Clerk
**Age	Twenty-Three Years <small>(Entered in words, figures)</small>	Nineteen Years <small>(Entered in words, figures)</small>
Condition in Life	Bachelor <small>Bachelor, Widower, or Divorcee.</small>	Spinster <small>Spinster, Widow or Divorcee</small>
Religious Denomination	United	United
Residence when Married†	9 Swanwick Ave. Toronto, Ontario	20 Moore Ave. Toronto, Ontario
Place of Birth	Byron, United States	Toronto, Ontario
Intended Place of Marriage	City.....of.....Torontoin the County of.....York

Only child Nelson, served in the RCAF. After the war, he was a travelling salesman and moved the family around North America. He had five children, all born in different cities across the continent. In 1969, he moved for the last time and settled in Port Moody, BC.

His family relates that he went to the Air School in Galt, Ont. and in 1939 joined the Canadian Air Force in the hopes of being a pilot. Due to his colour blindness, he was assigned to the ground crew where they repaired Spitfires and Hurricanes. Due to his war assignment, he missed his mother's 1940 funeral. He married Lois Jean Shantz, age 19 and from Toronto on the 12th of October 1940 while in the service. It appears that this marriage ended in divorce. His father's obit indicated Nelson was living in Los Angeles in 1955. The "we miss our Jazz Man" quote and the etched piano on his headstone is a reference to his piano playing proficiency. He was taught in his youth classical piano. Upon hearing Jazz Master Fats Waller, he picked up playing jazz piano by ear. The family have several of his recordings. Of the couple's five children, four survived until Ruth Marie's death; John, Janice, Jason and Jeffery.

Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott
Grandchild of James Elliott and Sarah Lawrence
Child of James Rizeau Elliott and Agnes Stephenson

Youngest Child: Edith Evelyn

B 17 June 1898 W Oxford
 D 10, July 1988 in Kitchener, Ont. Buried IRC.
 M 30 Oct 1923 Waukesha, Wisconsin
 B 03 Apr 1889 Plymouth, Wisconsin
 D unknown perhaps in New York City

Spouse: Hubert Thomas "Harry" Volk



Evelyn was considerably younger than her siblings. Sarah, the nearest in age was 8 years older. Like her siblings she grew up in Oxford Co. on Maplegrove farm. She attended grade and high school in Ingersoll. After graduation she went to the University of Guelph's MacDonald Hall from 1920-22.

Photo: Macdonald Hall Institute, U Of Guelph 1918.

“The schedule for female students in the early days of the college was tightly controlled. The residence itself was built on the edge of the campus and was largely self-contained, with a dining room, gymnasium, medical office and library right in the building.”

Photo from “Mac” Institute Year book 1920



EDITH EVELYN ELLIOTT.
“Good words go with her name.”

Ingersoll, Ontario, claims the honour of having been the birthplace of Edith. She received her early education at Ingersoll Public School and Collegiate Institute. After graduating from Collegiate she studied art and music for some time, finally entering “Mac.” with the '20 Associates.

During her two years here she has become a general favourite on both sides of the campus.

A devout worshipper of Terpsichore, she can always be found in the “gym.” when a dance is on. Here also, her abilities as a pianist are greatly appreciated for she is ever willing and ready to play. At any College social function she is always the centre of a goodly group, and, to use her own words, “had the best time.”

May she always enjoy “the best time” that life can offer.

NOTE: Terpsichore: In Greek mythology, *Terpsichore* (/tərpˈsɪkəriː/; Τερψιχόρη, "delight in dancing") is one of the nine Muses and goddess of dance and chorus. She lends her name to the word "terpsichorean" which means "of or relating to dance."

I have not been able to identify her major. I have learned that this institute believed in practical skills that could be used to educate rural students for practical careers that could be beneficial on their return to their rural homes.

Her prowess on the piano is noted in sibling’s weddings as she was often called to play a selection at the ceremony.

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 NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y. Aug. 12-1920 "E" B.S.I 53/9

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Place of birth (town, country, etc.) INGERSOLL - ONT	Age 22 Sex F Occupation student	Married <input type="checkbox"/>
Language English	Country of birth Canada	Last permanent residence (town, country, etc.) Thomas St Ingersoll Ont
Name and address of nearest relative or friend in country whence alien came father James - same		
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In 1920, she also took a three-month course at John Hopkins Hospital, her older sister Mary’s employer in Baltimore.

This is where Edith’s trail becomes muddled. The Vancouver Sun newspaper had her living in Chicago and visiting her brother Byron as noted in the 29 June, 1923 newspaper. Why or how long she lived in Chicago is unknown. Four months later she married a man named

Hubert (Harry) Volk on the 30th of October, 1923 and they moved to Wisconsin.

Returned to the East.
 Miss Edith Elliott of Chicago, who has been the guest of her brother, Dr. Byron Elliott, for the past two weeks, returned to the East on Thursday evening.

Vancouver Sun June 1923

V 420	
Family name Volk	Given name or names Edith Evelyn
Address Waukesha Wisc.	
Certificate no. (or vol. and page) P 1352	Title and location of court Cir. Waukesha Co., Waukesha Wisc
Country of birth or allegiance Canada	When born (or age) June 17-1898
Date and port of arrival in U. S.	Date of naturalization Dec. 7-1931
Names and addresses of witnesses	
U. S. Department of Labor, Immigration and Naturalization Service Form No. 1-1 P.	

Her US Naturalization papers gave her citizenship in 1931.

How she met her husband, Wisconsin born Hubert Volk has not been established. The fact that they both were living in Chicago at that time may have been a factor. Hubert (Harry) Volk (B 1889 D unknown) was found in 1920 as a single man living in a boarding house in Waukesha, Wisconsin. He was a newspaper editor and clerking

in a law office. He passed the state bar exam in July of 1928 and by 1930 he was a well-known lawyer in Waukesha, Wisconsin at the time of their marriage. Waukesha is a small town and suburb of Milwaukee. He would later become Justice of the Peace for the community.

126 Grand Ave Waukesha
 Volks Home

Waukesha Freeman column "50 years ago"
Yesteryears on Broadway

Monday August 28, 1933

Today's murder trial in circuit court did not receive the plaudits of the courtroom crowd that waited patiently—but uneasily—for hours while a jury was being selected. Adjournment called by Judge Davidson shortly before noon found Harry T. Volk, defense counsel, still quizzing prospective jurors regarding their qualifications.

More than one spectator must have asked himself as well as his neighbor why attorneys persist in questioning each juror separately instead of bunching half a dozen or more and then putting questions to them with the request that those in the affirmative answer "aye" and those opposed answer "no."

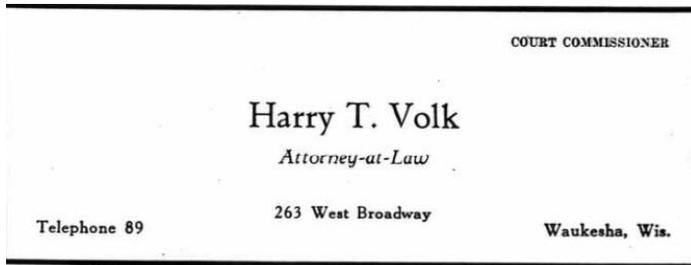
G. H. K.



1934 Waukesha Phone Directory

11200 S WASHINGTON AV
VOLK HARRY T (Edith E), Attorney-at-Law, Court Commissioner 263 W Broadway, Tel 89, h126 S Grand av, Tel 745 (See page 41)
 Holland Erick RD 5 Box 204

WAUKESHA CITY DIRECTORY (1934) 329
 Vitale Joseph (Anna) tavern 275 W Main h1329 E Main
 Vitale Nick lab Glancy Malleable Corp r918 E Main
 Voboril Anna r RD 1 Box 193
 Vocational School O B Lindholm dir 222 Maple av
 Voegely Matt H driver Herman Blank Jr r338 Lemira
 Voeltz Waldemar lab r1125 Madison
 Vogel Bertha r RD 4 Box 357
 Vogel Emma r RD 4 Box 357
 Vogel Lily Mrs r RD 2 Box 24
 Vogel Lloyd r RD 2 Box 24
 Vogel Mary Mrs r RD 5 Box 323
 Vogel Rose r RD 4 Box 357
 Vogelmann Louis r RD 5 Box 387
 Vogt Anton (Mary E) h351 W Main
 Vogt Bernard (Lida A) engr h727 North
 Vogt John r RD 5 Box 469
 Vogt Joseph T r135 Cook
 Vogt Mary (wid Anton) h1010 E Main
 Vogt Mary E Mrs opr Wis Tel Co h331 W Main
 Vogt Walter (Veronica) laborer White Rock Mineral Springs Co r1010 E Main
 Voths F Andrew (Helen P) meats 740 N Grand av h208 Oakland av
 Voths Helen M student r208 Oakland av
 Voths Wm (Glenn) h130 W Main
 Voight Filmore baker Purity Bakery r Pewaukee Wis
 Voigt Otto r RD 5 Box 46
 Voigt Richd E (Lida) mach hd Hein-Werner Motor Parts Corp
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Hubert T "Harry" Volk University year book photo.

The Volk family tree on Ancestry has an attached family history and it indicates in great detail about their marriage.

Divorce

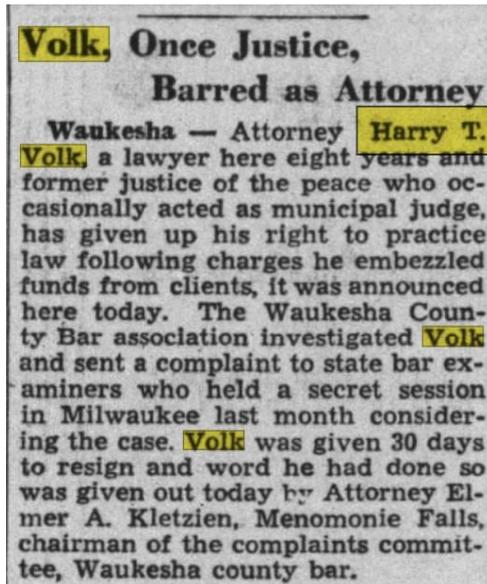
23 May 1935 • Waukesha, Waukesha, Wisconsin

"They divorced because she faked a pregnancy. Hub (a family nickname) wanted a child. She stayed in bed for couple months saying there was a problem with the pregnancy. Eventually she had to tell him. When she did, he

left. Took only his personal belongings."

Only four months after the couple's divorce, Harry ran into more problems.

1955 review of town events – Waukesha Freeman



Yesteryears on Broadway

September 8, 1932

Young men and even old who have been battling with problems matrimonial in nature may rest easier henceforth because Waukesha is possessed of a unique marrying justice of the peace whose newest claim is that he is able to furnish everything but the bride. He doesn't specify but that must include such things as a large dowry and everything else that goes toward making the marriage institution a success.

All this is not hearsay on my part but is taken from the black and white sheet of the Dousman Index on which **Harry T. Volk** makes the claim that he "attends to all details."

G. H. K.

Harry continues to this day to be a genealogy brick wall as no more confirmed information can be found about his history after leaving his wife. From family remembrances...

"When his brother died, my aunt called and said he could not make the funeral and that he read it in the newspaper in Florida. No one really knew where he was; the announcement would not have been in paper in Florida"

Another Volk member I reached out to on Ancestry indicates that *"My aunts' thought Hubert was a German. They called him the mystery man. He spoke about 5 different languages and when he would go to Macon [Georgia] to visit, he hung around a Greek restaurant. It seems like Edith married him to get citizenship. At some point her brother moved in. Then he became a citizen also. Supposedly they spent a*

lot of Hubert's money and did not treat him very well." I suspect Hubert was in financial trouble of his own making as he was found to be embezzling clients.

Since Edith had no brothers that were unaccounted for that could have moved in after her 1923 marriage, the only possibility was that her parents were coming to live with her as was noted previously in their attempt to emigrate in 1926. (See page 32). Since they were attempting to emigrate with \$7000.00 in their pockets, I do not see how they were stealing his money. Regardless, the 1926 attempt at emigrating to Wisconsin in their mid 60's and then having to return to Canada due to the turmoil taking place in the Volk household would have been a sorry affair.

It was also noted on the Volk tree that Edith changed back to her maiden name.

Name Change

Dec 1944 • Waukesha, Waukesha, Wisconsin

"Petitioned for name change back to maiden name"

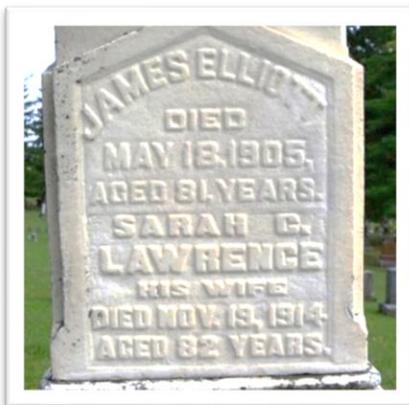
If these facts are true and I see no reason at present to doubt them, these events fit the missing timeline for Edith that I had encountered.

At some point before 1942, she returned to Canada and lived with her sister in Toronto and in Newmarket as late as 1961. The 1962 Voters list for Waterloo, Ont. had a Miss Edith Evelyn Elliott living at 112 Metzloff Drive. She is listed as a dietician at the Kitchener Waterloo Regional Hospital. The 1972 voters list had her living in the same area but by then retired. According to the Riley family recollections, every year Edith sent Christmas presents to her nephew Nelson Elliott Riley and family in Port Moody BC. Without fail, a Readers Digest subscription was always included.

1940s voters list confirmed Edith was back in Canada and living with her sister Sarah Riley and family in Toronto. Sadly, her sister Sarah died later that year.

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I was not able to confirm her location again until the 1960 voters list for Kitchener, Ontario. She was going by the name Miss Edith Elliott and was listed as a dietician at the local hospital. Ironically, I was employed 20 years later for a company directly across the street from that hospital. Her dietician occupation was probably learned while at John Hopkins Hospital and at U of Guelph. She died in Kitchener on the 10th of July, 1988. She is buried with her parents, baby brother James Hay and sister Mary Kirkness in Elliott section H of Ingersoll IRC.



James and Sarah IRC



James Rezeau and Agnes IRC

End of Book 9.

Next:

Book 10 Samuel Elliott and Mary Ann Walker and Family

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It has been thirty-four months since Covid led me to this journey of connection to my family. Traipsing through the past has enriched me with knowledge of where I was born and raised in Oxford County. I also understand more about my extended ancestral family and the lives they led. I wish to thank the following people and organizations that put up with what may have seemed as unending requests and constant badgering. I apologize to those I have missed. This project is as much yours as mine. Take a bow.

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Glenn Elliott

Great, Great Grandson of William Elliott and Eliza Rogers.

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