Descendants of Walter Caverhill

Courtesy of Frazier Farmstead Museum

Our goal is to research the pioneers that came into the Walla Walla Valley Area, as a starter for those doing their family genealogy; we are not related.

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May 6, 2006

Generation No. 1

1. WALTER1 CAVERHILL was born 18 Nov 1849 in Canada, and died 01 Oct 1913 in Probably Yakima, WA. He married EUPHEMIA MALCOLM 14 Jan 1885 in Norwich, Ontario, Canada1. She was born May 1866 in Canada, and died 17 Mar 1946 in Kittitas, WA2.

Notes for WALTER CAVERHILL:
1900 Census OR Grant Long Creek ED 15 Pg 4A
Caverhill, Walter, HEAD, mw, nOV 1849, 50, M15, CAN, SCOT, N.B. Im 1888, Farmer
Euphemia, wife, FW, May 1866, 34, m15, 5, 4, CAN, SCOT, SCOT
Wlater S., son, MW, Jan 1887, 13S, CAN, CAN, CAN
Norman M., son, MW, June 1889, 10S, OR, CAN, CAN
Earl J., son, MW, Nov 1892, 7S, OR, CAN, CAN
Flossie B., daughter, FW, Feb 1896, 3S, OR, CAN, CAN
Templeton, Fred M., MW, Apr 1874, 26S, OR, MO, WA, School Teacher
Woodson, John W., servant, MW, Apr 1878, 22S, OR, MO, KS, Farm Laborer

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1910 Census OR Grant Long Creek ED 71 Pg 270A
Caverhill, Walter, head, MW, 60, m1, 25, CAN, SCOT, ENG, im 1888, Farmer
Euphemia, wife, FW, 43, m1, 25, 5, 4, CAN, SCOT, SCOT, im 1888
Earl J., son, MW, 17S, OR, CAN, CAN
Flossie B., daughter, FW, 13S, OR, CAN, CAN

More About WALTER CAVERHILL:
Burial: Grandview Cemetery, Yakima, WA3
Census 1: 1900, OR Grant Long Creek ED 15 Pg 4A (See Father)
Census 2: 1910, OR Grant Long Crk ED 71 Pg 270A (See Husband)
More About EUPHEMIA MALCOLM:
Burial: Grandview Cemetery, Yakima, WA4
Census 1: 1900, OR Grant Long Creek ED 15 Pg 4A (See Father)
Census 2: 1910, OR Grant Long Crk ED 71 Pg 270A (See Husband)
Census 3: 1920, WA Yakima Grandview ED 197 Pg 6B (See Husband Charles Tharp)
Census 4: 1930, WA Cowlitz Kelso ED 20 Pg 3A (See Husband Charles Tharp)

Children of WALTER CAVERHILL and EUPHEMIA MALCOLM are:

2. i. WALTER STANLEY2 CAVERHILL, b. 08 Jan 1887, Norwich, Ontario, Canada; d. 26 Apr 1977, Milton Freewater, Umatilla, Oregon.
3. ii. NORMAN MALCOLM CAVERHILL, b. 17 Jun 1889, Grant, OR; d. 30 Jul 1976, Grant, OR.
4. iii. EARL JERDON CAVERHILL, b. 20 Nov 1892, Grant, OR; d. 18 Sep 1977, Vale, Malheur, Oregon.
5. iv. FLOSSIE B CAVERHILL, b. 20 Dec 1896, Long Creek, Oregon.
2. WALTER STANLEY\(^2\) CAVERHILL (WALTER\(^1\)) was born 08 Jan 1887 in Norwich, Ontario, Canada\(^6\), and died 26 Apr 1977 in Milton Freewater, Umatilla, Oregon\(^7,8\). He married NELLIE E MCGIRR 01 Sep 1905 in Fox, Grant, OR, daughter of FRANK MCGIRR and HENRIETTA HART. She was born 15 Oct 1890 in Oregon, and died 02 Oct 1980 in Umatilla, OR\(^9\).

Notes for WALTER STANLEY CAVERHILL:
World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 Record about Walter Stanley Caverhill
Name: Walter Stanley Caverhill
City: Not Stated
County: Grant
State: Oregon
Birthplace: Norwich, Ontario; Canada
Birth Date: 8 Jan 1887
Race: Caucasian
Roll: 1852056
DraftBoard: 0

Walla Walla Union Bulletin (Walla Walla, Washington) > 1977 > April > 27
W.S. Caverhill
MILTON-FREEWATER -- Funeral services for W. S. Caverhill, 142 SE Seventh St, will be at the Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home at 10 a.m. Saturday. Burial will be in the Fox, Ore, Valley Cemetery at 2:30 p.m. Saturday.

Caverhill died Tuesday morning at his home at the age 90.

He was born Jan 8, 1887, in Norwich, Ont, Canada, the son of Walter and Euphema Caverhill. He was married in Fox, Ore. to Nellie McGirr Sept 1 1906.

He served as Grant County commissioner for eight years. he came to the Milton-Freewater area in 1922 and taught school at Dry Creek. He taught school and became the prinsipal of Ferndale School. Caverhill wrote for several newspapers in Oregon and wrote books about eastern Oregon. In 1940s he wrote stories about a fictional character named Cal Tuller and later wrote a history of early-day roadbuilding in Grant County and a history of Milton-Freewater. He was the mayor of Milton before its consolidation with Freewater, was a member of the city council, city planning committee and former secretary-treasurer for the Milton Freewater Water Control Distrct. He was a member of the Umatilla County Better Roads Committe and the committee for the development of Jubilee Lake, president of the Milton-Freewater Chamber of Commerce two president of the Milton Freewater Pea Festival and active in the development of Marie Dorian Park.

He was a member of the Knights of Pythias Hercules Lodge No. 51 of Milton Freewater and the First Christian Church.

He is survived by his wife Nellie at the home, his son Frank Caverhill of Milton-Freewater and his daughter Lulu Meengs of Ukiah Ore, His brother Earl Caverhill of Vale Ore, three grandchildren, eight great grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

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1910 Census OR Grant Middle ED 68 Pg 239B
McGirr,Barney,head,MW,52,m1,22,CA,IRE,TN,Farmer
Nancy P., wife, FW, 41, m1, 22, 4, 3, TN, TN, TN
James B., son, MW, 16S, OR, CA, TN
Bessie, daughter, FW, 12S, OR, CA, TN
Alva E., son, MW, 9S, OR, CA, TN
Caverhill, Walter S., boarder, MW, 23, m1, 3, CAN, CAN, CAN, m 1888, School Teacher, Public school
Nellie L., boarder, FW, 19, m1, 3, 1, 1, OR, CA, TN
Lulu I., boarder, FW, 2S, OR, CAN, OR

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1920 Census OR Grant Long Creek ED 57 Pg 5A
Caverhill, Walter, head, MW, 33, m, im 1887, NA 1903, CAN, CAN, CAN, Owner, Farm
Nellie L., wife, FW, 28, m, OR, CA, WA
Lulu I., daughter, 12S, OR, CAN, OR
Frank M., son, MW, 9S, OR, CAN, OR

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1930 Census OR Umatilla Milton ED 12 Pg 3A
Caverhill, Walter S., head, MW, 43, m21, CAN, CAN, CAN, im 1889, Principal, Ferndale School
Nellie L., wife, FW, 40, m18, OR, CA, WA
Frank M., son, MW, 19S, OR, CAN, OR

More About WALTER STANLEY CAVERHILL:
Burial: Fox Cemetery, Grant, OR
Census 1: 1900, OR Grant Long Creek ED 15 Pg 4A (See Father)
Census 2: 1910, OR Grant Middle ED 68 Pg 239B
Census 3: 1920, OR Grant Long Creek ED 57 Pg 5A
Census 4: 1930, OR Umatilla Milton ED 12 Pg 3A
Notes for NELLIE E MCGIRR:
A Heap of Living Went into 80 Years
When friends and neighbors of Mrs. W.S. (Nellie) Caverhill helped her mark the 80th milestone of her busy, highly useful life recently at Milton-Freewater, it was to mark the milestone for a woman of today who has lived the life of a pioneer mother and wife.

For, Mrs. Caverhill lived pretty much as did pioneer settlers of the Northwest as she made a home for her family doing much of the "proving up" of a homestead while her husband taught school, usually at some distance from the home.

Mrs. Caverhill’s heritage traces back to the first white people to come to the Oregon country. Her mother was Henrietta Hart, a daughter of Horace and Marguerite Hart of Prescott. Hart was a brother of Eliza Spalding, wife of Rev. H.H. Spalding, the contemporary of the Whitmans. Horace Hart was the only brother of Mrs. Spalding that she saw after she came west, Mrs. Caverhill told me.

Her father, Frank McGirr, was the first white man to settle in Fox Valley; he had an imposing (for then) herd of some 200 cattle and owned 1200 acres of land. All the nine children in the family were born and raised there and the family house, a huge, two-story frame building at entrance to the hamlet of Fox, Ore., still is the residence of a brother of Mrs. Caverhill, Frank McGirr. Her brother still runs a sizable herd of beef cattle, doing most of the chores required, only occasionally hiring help to aid him.

Mrs. Caverhill was born there in 1890. Her schooling, as it was for rural areas of the time, consisted of three months in the summer at the Fox school.

"After the boys (her brothers) got older," Mrs. Caverhill recalled, "Mother and us children moved to John Day to go to school. This was 1903. Father stayed at the ranch."
It was while she was a pupil at the old Fox School that she met her husband, who was the teacher there in the one room building. That was 1905. In 1906 the couple were married and last month (September 1) they marked their 64th wedding anniversary.

Tackled Big Job
Marriage at such an early age was not uncommon in those days.

Taking on the work of raising a family and running a homestead was also something some young women did in those days. Mrs Caverhill’s lot was just this, but despite young of age and small of frame, she tackled the job and put forth a yeoman effort, as further lines will reveal.

Personality Profile
The Caverhills have had but two children of their own but Mrs. Caverhill figured they’d raised about 30 others over the many years, up to the past three years at least. "We’ve always had somebody in, it seemed, who was going to school or boarding with us for one reason or another."

Took up Homestead
A few years after their marriage, the Caverhills took up a homestead claim on Pine Creek, located between Ritter and Long Creek. Her husband was teaching school at Long Creek then, a nine mile walk for him each weekend.

It was at this point, when she was to have to stay at the homestead all alone with two small children, that Mrs. Caverhill put her small foot down.

"I just plain vowed I wasn’t going to stay out there alone without some protection," she said.
To gain that protection, Mrs. Caverhill got a rifle, spent many hours practicing with it, then felt she had "that extra something . . . protection" she felt needed to cope with the homestead "elements."
Some small help in the matter of household operating expenses came with the establishment of the post office at the Caverhill ranch in 1912. Mrs. Caverhill was duly appointed the postmaster of the new office to serve the area’s 15 families. An addition was made to their house for the office but until it was completed, the postal affairs went through the smokehouse.

Mail came twice a day via horse drawn stagecoach and when the muddy roads would delay the stage’s arrival (as it often did) Mrs. Caverhill would have to wait up, often till midnight for it to get there with the mail.

Raised a Garden
Mrs. Caverhill raised a big garden each summer and when she had to be away from the house to care for it, she’d get help at the post office from one of the neighbors. The post office was useful for the area farmers because it was a case of their either walking the nine miles to Long Creek or six miles to Ritter. The garden’s produce was primarily to feed the family but chickens were also raised and these and their eggs sold, as was milk from a cow. . . milked by Mrs. Caverhill as a rule.

Homesteading days at the turn of the century were days of sharing with your neighbor and Mrs. Caverhill certainly lived up to this tradition of the pioneer. Often she was called upon to act as nurse for a family with an ailing member. A unique task of hers was to "sit up with the dead when somebody passed away. . . until the undertaker could come for the body. . . it didn’t seem right to leave the body alone . . . somebody always sat with it," she recalled.
Mrs. Caverhill helped out when harvest time came, cooking meals for a neighbor. Usually women on about four or five ranches would go together, she said, and cook meals where ever the threshing operation was.

Of course, after helping out a the neighbors’ she had to get on home and take care of her own family! The Caverhill home was always the place the school teacher at nearby Pine Creek school (about 1 ½ miles distance) would board for the term. "It wasn’t necessarily the closest home," she said, "but the only one that wanted to bother."

Party Line a Favorite
Most families had a telephone and the party line was a favorite form of amusement as well as useful in emergencies."one long ring," said Mrs. Caverhill, "meant ‘Everybody Listen!’ If there was trouble, the one long ring was used."

Long winter evenings saw the party line used as a source of entertainment for the ranch families before the advent of radio.

"When somebody got a new phonograph record, they’d ring the long ring and let everybody hear it. . . or, fiddlers would play or a group would sing while somebody accompanied on a piano or the organ.

A Long, Lone Ride
Once this matter of being a nurse required a long horseback ride which would have taxed any of the men of her time.

Her sister was ill at her home in Mt. Vernon, some 45 miles away. Mrs Caverhill left home about 9 a.m. and rode to Fox where another horse was supposed to be ready for her.

"It wasn’t there so I just got back on my horse and rode on," she said. It was springtime and roads were pretty muddy. She arrived at her destination around midnight.

Skinning Demonstration.
One time, still smarting over how her brothers had been "kidding" her about her marksmanship with the rifle, Mrs. Caverhill came across a badger one morning as she went to milk the cow. She shot and killed it (to prove to her brothers she could do it), then had to skin the animal to back up her contention. She had no knife, other than the kitchen butcher knife, but performed the task with it and thus silenced her brothers.

In the fall of 1922, the family packed up and moved north to Milton-Freewater in order that their daughter (Mrs. Raymond (Lulu) Meengs of Ukiah) could attend high school there, there being none in Long Creek at that time.

Mrs Caverhill continued a busy life here and has been active in the Christian church and lodge work. She is a member of Eastern Star and Pythian Sisters. She had taught Sunday school at Pine Creek and continued to do that after coming to Milton-Freewater.

At 60 Mrs. Caverhill helped shingle the house; at 75 she caught a limit of trout and beat her husband fishing that day. Fishing was something she had often enjoyed doing with her mother on the old ranch at Fox. The two would fashion rods of willow branches, use fish line and hook and bait with worms, grasshoppers or periwinkles and fish while the haying crews were busy.

At 80, most people can look back onto many years of an interesting life.
Not much was left out of the pioneer life and livelihood experienced by Mrs. Caverhill.

More About NELLIE E MCGIRR:
Burial: Fox Cemetery, Grant, OR
Census 1: 1900, OR Grant Fox Dist 15 Pg 78A(See father)
Census 2: 1910, OR Grant Middle ED 68 Pg 239B(See Husband)
Census 3: 1920, OR Grant Long Creek ED 57 Pg 5A(See Husband)
Census 4: 1930, OR Umatilla Milton ED 12 Pg 3A(See Husband)
Marriage Notes for WALTER CAVERHILL and NELLIE MCGIRR:
Walla Walla Union Bulletin (Walla Walla, Washington) > 1956 > September > 9, page 31
Half Century Together
Mr and Mrs. W. S. Caverhill, longtime residents of the Milton-Freewater area and prior to that of Grant County, have been observing their 50th wedding anniversary in appropriate fashion.
A Family reunion at Battle Mountain State Park, south of Pendleton, on Saturday, Sept 1, was the first official recognition of the anniversary.

A Reception Friday evening, Sept. 7, in the knights of Pythias Hall in neighboring Milton-Freewater was arranged in their honor by the Knights of Pythias and the Pythian Sisters with which the honorees are affiliated. Caverhill, in fact, has been a lodge member for close to 50 years.

Wed in Grant Co.
Teh wedding half a century ago was solemnized in the little community of Fox, Ore., in Grant County at the bride's home. She was Nellie L. McGirr. Both the Caverhill and McGirr families were pioneer settlers in the John Day country.

Thirty-three years ago, the Caverhills moved to Umatilla County and Caverhill taught school for two years at Dry Creek and nine years at Ferndale.

He served as councilman for four years and a similar period as mayor of Milton before the consolidation of the two towns.

He's Writer
Caverhill has long been interested in writing and his homespun philosophy and tales of earlier days have gained him a wide reading audience. He regularly contributes a column, "Cal Tuller," to the East Oregonian, writes for the Pilot Rock paper and has had several books published, including "Road South," and a volume of poetry.

The Caverhills belong to the Christian Church.

Their immediate family includes a daughter, Mrs. Ray Meengs of Ukiah, and a Son, Frank Caverhill of Milton-Freewater, and three grandchildren, Raymond and Donald Meengs and Irene Caverhill.

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Walla Walla Union Bulletin (Walla Walla, Washington) > 1966 > August > 26, page 3
Anniversary Celebrated
Honored Aug. 20 at a reception celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary were Mr. and Mrs. W. Stanley Caverhill of Milton-Freewater. Hostess for the party held at Ukiah was their daughter Mrs. Ray (Lulu) Meengs, assisted by a niece, Mrs. Max Graevell of Wenatchee.

Six of the guests in attendance had also been present at the couple's wedding, Sept. 1, 1906, at the home of the bride in Fox, Ore. Silver-leaved white roses trimmed the inscribed anniversary cake flanked by single white candles entwined with orchids. Mrs. Caverhill had a white orchid corsage.
Caverhill was a school teacher for many years in Long Creek, dry Creek, Ferndale and up the Walla Walla River, retiring in 1945 after teaching high school in Ukiah. For eight years he served as County Commissioner for Grant County and, since his retirement, has served civically in the Milton-Freewater area.

Mrs. Caverhill was postmistress at the Caverhill Post office between Long Creek and Ritter for 12 years. In Milton-Freewater she has been active in the Christian Church, Eastern Star and Pythian Sisters. Her hobby is gardening.

More About WALTER CAVERHILL and NELLIE MCGIRR:
Marriage: 01 Sep 1905, Fox, Grant, OR
Children of WALTER CAVERHILL and NELLIE MCGIRR are:

6. i. LULU3 CAVERHILL, b. 31 Dec 1907, Oregon; d. 03 Oct 1997, Ukiah, Umatilla, Oregon.

3. NORMAN MALCOLM2 CAVERHILL (WALTER1) was born 17 Jun 1889 in Grant, OR, and died 30 Jul 1976 in Grant, OR10. He married BERTHA VIOLAMCGIRR 05 Mar 1911 in Grant, OR11, daughter of FRANK MCGIRR and HENRIETTA HART. She was born Feb 1895 in Oregon, and died 26 Mar 1965 in Grant, OR12.

Notes for NORMAN MALCOLM CAVERHILL:
1920 Census OR Grant Middle ED 59 Pg 2B
Caverhill,Norman M.,head,MW,29,m,OR,CAN,CAN,Farmer
Bertha V.,wife,FW,24,m,OR,CA,WA
Leonard A.,son,MW,7S,OR,OR,OR
Thelma P.,daughter,FW,5S,OR,OR,OR
Virgil D.,son,MW,11/12S,OR,OR,OR
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Indexed as Norman M Paverhill
1930 Census OR Grant Middle ED 21 Pg 1A
Caverhill,Norman M.,head,MW,40,m21,OR,CAN,CAN,Farmer,Stock farm
Bertha V.,wife,FW,35,m16,OR,CA,WA
A. Leonard,son,MW,18S,OR,OR,OR
Thelma P.,daughter,FW,15S,OR,OR,OR
Virgil D.,son,MW,11S,OR,OR,OR
More About NORMAN MALCOLM CAVERHILL:
Burial: Canyon Cemetery, Grant, OR
Census 1: 1900, OR Grant Long Creek ED 15 Pg 4A(See Father)
Census 2: 1920, OR Grant Middle ED 59 Pg 2B
Census 3: 1930, OR Grant Middle ED 21 Pg 1A
More About BERTHA VIOLA MCGIRR:
Burial: Canyon Cemetery, Grant, OR
Census 1: 1900, OR Grant Fox Dist 15 Pg 78A(See father)
Census 2: 1920, OR Grant Middle ED 59 Pg 2B(See Husband)
Census 3: 1930, OR Grant Middle ED 21 Pg 1A(See Husband)
More About NORMAN CAVERHILL and BERTHA MCGIRR:
Marriage: 05 Mar 1911, Grant, OR13
Children of NORMAN CAVERHILL and BERTHA MCGIRR are:
i. LEONARD A³ CAVERHILL, b. Abt. 1913, Oregon.
More About LEONARD A CAVERHILL:
Census 1: 1920, OR Grant Middle ED 59 Pg 2B(See Father)
Census 2: 1930, OR Grant Middle ED 21 Pg 1A(See Father)

ii. THELMA P CAVERHILL, b. Abt. 1915, Oregon.
More About THELMA P CAVERHILL:
Census 1: 1920, OR Grant Middle ED 59 Pg 2B(See Father)
Census 2: 1930, OR Grant Middle ED 21 Pg 1A(See Father)

iii. VIRGIL D CAVERHILL, b. Abt. 1919, Oregon; d. 10 Feb 1951; m. NADA ?.
More About VIRGIL D CAVERHILL:
Burial: Canyon Cemetery, Grant, OR
Census 1: 1920, OR Grant Middle ED 59 Pg 2B(See Father)
Census 2: 1930, OR Grant Middle ED 21 Pg 1A(See Father)

4. EARL JERDON² CAVERHILL (WALTER¹) was born 20 Nov 1892 in Grant, OR, and died 18 Sep 1977 in Vale, Malheur, Oregon¹⁵,¹⁶. He married (1) MYRTLE M ?. She was born Abt. 1892 in Oregon. He married (2) ALDA C. FREDERICK 11 Oct 1927 in Pocatello, Bannock Co., Idaho. She was born 07 Aug 1894 in Pennsylvania, and died 18 Sep 1983 in Vale, Malheur, Oregon¹⁷,¹⁸.

Notes for EARL JERDON CAVERHILL:
World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 Record
about Earl Jerdon Caverhill
Name: Earl Jerdon Caverhill
City: Not Stated
County: Grant
State: Oregon
Birthplace: Oregon; United States of America
Birth Date: 20 Nov 1892
Race: Caucasian
Roll: 1852056
DraftBoard: 0
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1920 Census ID Canyon Fargo ED 46 Pg 6B
Caverhill, Earl J., head, MW, 27, m, OR, OR, OR, OR, OM, Farmer, Own farm
Myrtle M., wife, FW, 27, m, OR, OR, OR
Berthel, son, MW, 4 1/2, s, OR, OR, OR
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1930 Census ID Canyon Wilder ED 58 Pg 2A
Caverhill, Earl J., head, MW, 38, m29, OR, CAN, CAN, Farmer
Alda C., wife, FW, 35, m33, PA, PA, PA
Berthel R., son, MW, 14S, OR, OR, PA
Orval E., son, MW, 13 1/2S, WA, OR, PA

More About EARL JERDON CAVERHILL:
Burial: Valley View Cemetery, Vale, OR¹⁹
Census 1: 1900, OR Grant Long Creek ED 15 Pg 4A(See Father)
Census 2: 1910, OR Grant Long Crk ED 71 Pg 270A(See Father)
Census 3: 1920, ID Canyon Fargo ED 46 Pg 6B
Census 4: 1930, ID Canyon Wilder ED 58 Pg 2A
More About MYRTLE M ?:
Census: 1920, ID Canyon Fargo ED 46 Pg 6B(See Husband)
More About ALDA C. FREDERICK:
Burial: Valley View Cemetery, Vale, OR

More About EARL CAVERHILL and ALDA FREDERICK:
Marriage: 11 Oct 1927, Pocatello, Bannock Co., Idaho

Child of EARL CAVERHILL and MYRTLE ? is:

8. i. BERTHEL R CAVERHILL, b. 09 Nov 1915, Oregon; d. 12 Feb 1996, Bend, Deschutes, Oregon.

Child of EARL CAVERHILL and ALDA FREDERICK is:

ii. ORVAL E CAVERHILL, b. Abt. 1929, Oregon; m. MARION PATTON.

More About ORVAL E CAVERHILL:
Census: 1930, ID Canyon Wilder ED 58 Pg 2A(See Father)
Marriage Notes for ORVAL CAVERHILL and MARION PATTON:
Earl Caverhill the brother of Walter. This is the marriage of the son of Earl Caverhill. Marion Patton to marry Orval Caverhill, son of Earl Caverhill.

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5. FLOSSIE B CAVERHILL (WALTER) was born 20 Dec 1896 in Long Creek, Oregon. She married (1) HARRY EARL MITCHELL. He was born 19 Nov 1893 in Kansas, and died Jan 1955. She married (2) ALLEN J. MCCracken 13 Jun 1965.
Notes for FLOSSIE B CAVERHILL:
Walla Walla Union Bulletin (Walla Walla, Washington) > 1971 > May > 6
Flossie McCracken
Mrs. Allen J. (Flossie M.) McCracken, 74, of 108 Assumption Drive, died at a local hospital Wednesday. She was born Dec. 20, 1896, in Long Creek, Ore. and married Allen J. McCracken June 13, 1965. They lived in Ellensburg before moving to Walla Walla in December 1968 where Mrs. McCracken was a house mother at Kamola Hall for eight years.

She was a member of the Pioneer United Methodist Church, the Veterans Auxiliary of World War I and the Delphian Study Club, all of Walla Walla. In Ellensburg she was a member of the Circle Club of the First Methodist Church, Grace Chapter No. 105 Order of Eastern Star, the Mother's Club, Pythian Sisters and the Thursday Club.

Besides her husband at the home, Mrs. McCracken is survived by two sons, Lloyd Mitchell of Castle Rock, Wash. and John Mitchell of Kent, Wash.; two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Lola) Whitner of Walla Walla and Miss Eleanor Mitchell of Burien, Wash.; three brothers, W. Stanley Caverhill of Milton-Freewater, Earl Caverhill of Vale, Ore. and Norman Caverhill of Mount Vernon, Ore.; four step-children, Marvin McCracken of Portland, Loren McCracken of Yakima, Mrs. Wray (Coralie) Derrick of Walla Walla and Mrs. Ronald (Florence) Frye of Ellensburg; and 18 grandchildren. Her first husband, Harry E. Mitchell, died in January 1955.

Services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at the Groseclose chapel with Rev. Kenneth W. Peterson of Pioneer United Methodist Church officiating. Vault interment will be at the Grandview City Cemetery, Grandview, Wash.

More About FLOSSIE B CAVERHILL:
Burial: Grandview City Cemetery, Grandview, Washington
Census 1: 1900, OR Grant Long Creek ED 15 Pg 4A(See Father)
Census 2: 1910, OR Grant Long Crk ED 71 Pg 270A(See Father)
Census 3: 1920, WA Benton Riverside ED 29 Pg 14A(See Husband)
Census 4: 1930, WA Kittitas Ellensburg ED 8 Pg 8B(See Husband)
Notes for HARRY EARL MITCHELL:
World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 Record
about Harry Earl Mitchell
Name: Harry Earl Mitchell
City: Not Stated
County: Yakima
State: Washington
Birthplace: Kansas;United States of America
Birth Date: 19 Nov 1893
Race: Caucasian
Roll: 1992260
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1920 Census WA Benton Riverside ED 29 Pg 14A
Mitchell,Harry E.,head,MW,26,m,KS,IL,WV,Merchant,Lumber
Flossie,wife,FW,23,m,OR,CAN,CAN
Lloyd E.,son,16/12S,WA,KS,OR
Lola,daughter,FW,1/12S,WA,KS,OR
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1930 Census WA Kittitas Ellensburg ED 8 Pg 8B
Mitchell,Harry E.,head,MW,36,m24,KS,IL,WV,Manager,Lumber Co.
Flossie,wife,FW,33,m21,OR,CAN,CAN,Bookeeper
Lloyd E.,son,12S,WA,KS,OR
Lola A.,daughter,FW,10S,WA,KS,OR
Eleanor I.,daughter,FW,8S,WA,KS,OR
More About HARRY EARL MITCHELL:
Census 1: 1920, WA Benton Riverside ED 29 Pg 14A
Census 2: 1930, WA Kittitas Ellensburg ED 8 Pg 8B
More About ALLEN MCCRACKEN and FLOSSIE CAVERHILL:
Marriage: 13 Jun 1965
Children of FLOSSIE CAVERHILL and HARRY MITCHELL are:

i. JOHN³ MITCHELL.
ii. LLOYD EARL MITCHELL, b. 06 Apr 1918, Yakima, WA²⁰; d. 19 Sep 1994, Castle Rock, Cowlitz, Washington²¹,²².
More About LLOYD EARL MITCHELL:
Census 1: 1920, WA Benton Riverside ED 29 Pg 14A(See Father)
Census 2: 1930, WA Kittitas Ellensburg ED 8 Pg 8B(See Father)
iii. LOLA ALICE MITCHELL, b. 29 Dec 1919, Benton, Washington²³; m. ROBERT L WHITNER; b. Abt. 1917, Washington.
More About LOLA ALICE MITCHELL:
Census 1: 1920, WA Benton Riverside ED 29 Pg 14A(See Father)
Census 2: 1930, WA Kittitas Ellensburg ED 8 Pg 8B(See Father)
Notes for ROBERT L WHITNER:
S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946 Record
about Robert L Whitner
Name: Robert L Whitner  
Birth Year: 1917  
Race: White, citizen  
Nativity State or Country: Washington  
State: Washington  
County or City: King  
Enlistment Date: 7 Jul 1943  
Enlistment State: Washington  
Enlistment City: Seattle  
Branch: No branch assignment  
Branch Code: No branch assignment  
Grade: Private  
Grade Code: Private  
Term of Enlistment: Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject 
to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law  
Component: Selectees (Enlisted Men)  
Source: Civil Life  
Education: 4 years of college  
Civil Occupation: Boilermaker  
Marital Status: Married  
Height: 48  
Weight: 346  
More About ELEANOR MITCHELL:  
Census: 1930, WA Kittitas Ellensburg ED 8 Pg 8B(See Father)  
Generation No. 3  
6. LULU3 CAVERHILL (WALTER STANLEY2, WALTER1) was born 31 Dec 1907 in Oregon, and died 03 Oct 1997 in Ukiah, Umatilla, Oregon24. She married RAYMOND HALL MEENGS. He was born 26 May 1895 in Michigan, and died Mar 1982 in Ukiah, Umatilla, Oregon25.  
More About LULU CAVERHILL:  
Census 1: 1910, OR Grant Middle ED 68 Pg 239B(See Father)  
Census 2: 1920, OR Grant Long Creek ED 57 Pg 5A(See Father)  
Notes for RAYMOND HALL MEENGS:  
World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 Record  
about Raymond Hall Meengs  
Name: Raymond Hall Meengs  
City: Not Stated  
County: Umatilla  
State: Oregon  
Birthplace: Michigan;United States of America  
Birth Date: 26 May 1895  
Race: Caucasian  
Roll: 1852148  
DraftBoard: 0  
Children of LULU CAVERHILL and RAYMOND MEENGS are:  

i. RAYMOND4 MEENGS.  
ii. DONALD MEENGS.
7. FRANK M³ CAVERHILL (WALTER STANLEY², WALTER¹) was born 14 Nov 1910 in Oregon, and died 19 Mar 1984 in Milton Freewater, Umatilla, Oregon²⁶,²⁷.

Notes for FRANK M CAVERHILL:
U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946 Record about Frank M Caverhill
Name: Frank M Caverhill
Birth Year: 1910
Race: White, citizen
Nativity State or Country: Oregon
State: Oregon
County or City: Umatilla
Enlistment Date: 13 Apr 1942
Enlistment State: Oregon
Enlistment City: Portland
Branch: Branch Immaterial - Warrant Officers, USA
Branch Code: Branch Immaterial - Warrant Officers, USA
Grade: Private
Grade Code: Private
Term of Enlistment: Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law
Component: Selectees (Enlisted Men)
Source: Civil Life
Education: 2 years of college
Civil Occupation: Laboratory Technician, V-Mail Or Microfilm or Civil Engineer or Water Supply Engineer or Architectural Engineer or Agricultural Engineer or City Planner
Marital Status: Married
Height: 70
Weight: 171

More About FRANK M CAVERHILL:
Burial: Fox Cemetery, Grant, OR
Census 1: 1920, OR Grant Long Creek ED 57 Pg 5A(See Father)
Census 2: 1930, OR Umatilla Milton ED 12 Pg 3A(See Father)
Child of FRANK M CAVERHILL is:

i. IRENE⁴ CAVERHILL, m. LARRY DEAN GEYER.
Marriage Notes for IRENE CAVERHILL and LARRY GEYER:
Engagement of Larry Geyer, son of Dr. and Mrs. J.L. Geyer to Irene Caverhill.
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Celebration of first year of marriage of Larry Geyers. Mentions grandmother, Mrs. Dean Dudley.

8. BERTHEL R³ CAVERHILL (EARL JERDON², WALTER¹) was born 09 Nov 1915 in Oregon, and died 12 Feb 1996 in Bend, Deschutes, Oregon²⁸,²⁹. He married ALOHA BER ?. She was born 13 Oct 1918, and died 04 Mar 1981 in Bend, Deschutes, Oregon³⁰,³¹.

More About BERTHEL R CAVERHILL:
Burial: Greenwood Cemetery, Deschutes, OR³²
Census 1: 1920, ID Canyon Fargo ED 46 Pg 6B (See father)
Census 2: 1930, ID Canyon Wilder ED 58 Pg 2A (See Father)
More About ALOHA BER?
Burial: Greenwood Cemetery, Deschutes, OR
Child of BERTHEL CAVERHILL and ALOHA ? is:

i. TIMOTHY^4 CAVERHILL, d. 04 Jul 1951.
More About TIMOTHY CAVERHILL:
Burial: Greenwood Cemetery, Deschutes, OR

Endnotes
1. OR Marriage Records 1906 - 1920, Name: Euphemia Malcolm Spouse Name: Walter Caverhill
   Marriage Date: 14 Jan 1885 Marriage Place: Norwich Registration Number: 008964 Archives of Ontario
   Microfilm: 51.
2. Washington Death Index, 1940-1996, Name: Euphemia Tharp Place of Death: Kittitas Date of Death:
   10/01/1913 1 23 1 6.
   1 15 1 4 Mrs. C.V. Tharp.
5. OR Marriage Records 1906 - 1920, Name: Euphemia Malcolm Spouse Name: Walter Caverhill
   Marriage Date: 14 Jan 1885 Marriage Place: Norwich Registration Number: 008964 Archives of Ontario
   Microfilm: 51.
6. Ontario, Canada Births, Name: Walter Stanley Caverhill Date of Birth: 8 Jan 1887 Gender: Male Birth
   County: Oxford Father's Name: Walter Caverhill Mother's Name: Euphemia Malcolm Roll Number:
   MS929_83.
   Death Date: 26 Apr 1977 Certificate: 77-06521 Age: 90 Birth Date: - Jan 1887 Spouse: Nellie .
8. SS Death Index, Name: Walter Caverhill SSN: 542-10-2031 Last Residence: Milton Freewater,
   Umatilla, Oregon, United States of America Born: 8 Jan 1887 Died: Apr 1977 State (Year) SSN issued:
   Oregon (Before 1951 ) .
11. OR Marriage Records 1906 - 1920, Name: Mcgirr, Bertha Viola County: Grant Marriage Date: 05
    Mar 1911 Name: Caverhill, Norman County: Grant Marriage Date: 05 Mar 1911 .
12. Oregon Death Index, (Ancestry.com), "Electronic," Name: Caverhill, Bertha V County: Grant Death
13. OR Marriage Records 1906 - 1920, Name: Mcgirr, Bertha Viola County: Grant Marriage Date: 05
    Mar 1911 Name: Caverhill, Norman County: Grant Marriage Date: 05 Mar 1911 .
    Date: 10 Feb 1951 Certificate: 1364 Spouse: Nada .
16. SS Death Index, Name: Earl Caverhill SSN: 543-40-6365 Last Residence: Vale, Malheur,
    Oregon, United States of America Born: 20 Nov 1892 Died: Sep 1977 State (Year) SSN issued: Oregon
    (1955 ) .


19. Valley View Cemetery, Vale, OR, Caverhill, Alda C. b. 7 Aug 1894 d. 18 Sep 1983 (Double Stone) w/o Earl J. Caverhill, Earl J. b. 20 Nov 1892 d. 18 Sep 1977 (Double Stone) h/o Alda C. 


32. Greenwood Cemetery, Deschutes, OR, Caverhill, Berthel Feb 12, 1996.


34. Greenwood Cemetery, Deschutes, OR, Caverhill, Timothy Jul 04, 1951.