

Descendants of Samuel Diggins, Part 2

More About ALEXANDER JOHNSON:

Census: 1900, PA Blair Antis Dist 68 Pg 135 A(See Mother)

ii. JUNIE JOHNSON, b. May 1894, Pennsylvania.

More About JUNIE JOHNSON:

Census: 1900, PA Blair Antis Dist 68 Pg 135 A(See Mother)

iii. EDDIE H JOHNSON, b. May 1896, Pennsylvania.

More About EDDIE H JOHNSON:

Census: 1900, PA Blair Antis Dist 68 Pg 135 A(See Mother)

iv. WILLIAM D JOHNSON, b. Dec 1897, Pennsylvania.

More About WILLIAM D JOHNSON:

Census: 1900, PA Blair Antis Dist 68 Pg 135 A(See Mother)

7. ANNIE³ DIGGINS (*JESSE², SAMUEL¹*) was born 31 Dec 1871, and died Abt. 1951 in Huntingdon, PA. She married BRISON CLARK 13 Jul 1892. He was born Abt. 1870.

More About ANNIE DIGGINS:

Burial: Broad Top Cem, Huntingdon, PA

Census: 1880, PA Clearfield Sterling ED 279 Pg 464B(See Father)

More About BRISON CLARK and ANNIE DIGGINS:

Marriage: 13 Jul 1892

Children of ANNIE DIGGINS and BRISON CLARK are:

i. JESSE⁴ CLARK.

ii. RAYMOND CLARK.

iii. ALMA CLARK.

iv. RALPH CLARK.

8. WILLIAM TECUMSEH³ DIGGINS (*JESSE², SAMUEL¹*) was born 11 Feb 1873 in Houtzdale, and died 08 Jun 1936. He married ESTELLE JANE REED 20 May 1901. She was born in Todd, Huntingdon, PA.

Notes for WILLIAM TECUMSEH DIGGINS:

World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 Record

about William Tecurusch Sherman Diggins

Name: William Tecurusch Sherman Diggins

City: Not Stated

County: Braxton

State: West Virginia

Birth Date: 11 Feb 1873

Race: White

Roll: 1992379

DraftBoard: 0

Nearest relative: Estella Jane Diggins, Centralia Wa.

More About WILLIAM TECUMSEH DIGGINS:

Census: 1880, PA Clearfield Sterling ED 279 Pg 464B(See Father)

More About WILLIAM DIGGINS and ESTELLE REED:

Marriage: 20 May 1901

Children of WILLIAM DIGGINS and ESTELLE REED are:

i. LILLIAN⁴ DIGGINS.

ii. JUANITA DIGGINS.

iii. LARUE DIGGINS.

iv. GLENDA IONA DIGGINS.

v. MYRTLE JANE DIGGINS.

9. MARY LENA³ DIGGINS (*JESSE², SAMUEL¹*) was born 08 Feb 1875 in Cassville, Huntingdon, PA. She married JAMES EPHRAIM MCNEAL 07 Aug 1895. He was born Abt. 1867 in Cassville, Huntingdon Co, PA.

More About MARY LENA DIGGINS:

Census: 1880, PA Clearfield Sterling ED 279 Pg 464B(See Father)

More About JAMES MCNEAL and MARY DIGGINS:

Marriage: 07 Aug 1895

Children of MARY DIGGINS and JAMES MCNEAL are:

i. FLORENCE LILLIAN⁴ MCNEAL.

ii. LAWRENCE CECIL MCNEAL.

iii. JESSE MARTIN MCNEAL, b. Abt. 1895.

iv. PEARL DIANA MCNEAL, b. 27 Sep 1897, Eagle Foundry, Huntingdon, PA.

v. JAMES ELMER MCNEAL, b. Jul 1900.

vi. MARY AMANDA MCNEAL, b. 14 Oct 1910, Todd , Huntingdon, PA.

vii. ROSE LETHA MCNEAL, b. 22 Nov 1913, Todd, Huntingdon, PA.

Generation No. 4

10. EDITH H.⁴ DIGGINS (*THOMAS LESSARD³, DAVID F.², SAMUEL¹*) was born 01 Dec 1896 in Basket Mt., Umatilla, OR, and died 09 Jan 1975 in Milton Freewater, Umatilla, OR^{12,13}. She married ROME KEMP 01 Dec 1914 in Walla Walla, Walla Walla, WA, son of DARNADUS KEMP and MARY CAMPBELL. He was born 25 Sep 1893 in Linn County, KS, and died 29 Nov 1960 in Multnomah County, OR¹⁴.

More About EDITH H. DIGGINS:

Burial: IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR¹⁵

Census 1: 1900, OR Umatilla Weston ED 110 Pg 61A(See Father)

Census 2: 1910, OR Umatilla Mtn Pct ED 264 Pg 198A(See Father)

Census 3: 1930, OR Umatilla Pct 12 Dist 17 Pg 66A(See Husband)

Notes for ROME KEMP:

World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 Record

about Rome Kemp

Name: Rome Kemp

City: Not Stated

County: Umatilla

State: Oregon

Birthplace: Washington;United States of America

Birth Date: 25 Sep 1895

Race: Caucasian

Roll: 1852148

DraftBoard: 0

1930 Census OR Umatilla Pct 12 Dist 17 Pg 66A (19 April 1930 Gerald G Groves)

Line 5

26 26 Kemp Rome Head MW 36 M21 Washington NC KS Farmer Wheat Farm

-----, Edith H Wife FW 33 M18 Oregon PA KS

-----, Hazel M Daughter FW 14 S Oregon WA OR

-----, Rome W Son MW 10 S Oregon WA OR

More About ROME KEMP:

Burial: IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR¹⁵

Census 1: 1910, Wa Franklin Connell Pct Dist 60 Pg 147A

Census 2: 1930, OR Umatilla Pct 12 Dist 17 Pg 66A

More About ROME KEMP and EDITH DIGGINS:

Marriage: 01 Dec 1914, Walla Walla, Walla Walla, WA

Children of EDITH DIGGINS and ROME KEMP are:

i. HAZEL MAE⁵ KEMP, b. 20 Jan 1916, Oregon; d. 10 Jan 1995, Oxnard, Ventura, California^{16,17};
m. ANGELO SARANTO; b. 30 May 1911; d. 31 Oct 1985, Walla Walla, Walla Walla,
Washington^{18,19}.

More About HAZEL MAE KEMP:

Census: 1930, OR Umatilla Pct 12 Dist 17 Pg 66A(See Father)

Marriage Notes for HAZEL KEMP and ANGELO SARANTO:

Marriage application for Hazel Mae Kemp and Engelo Saranto

Walla Walla Union Bulletin (Walla Walla, Washington) > 1952 > March > 24, page 5

ii. ROME WILLIAM KEMP, b. 28 Mar 1920, Oregon; d. 13 Feb 1982, Milton-Freewater, Umatilla,
OR^{20,21}; m. CLEO MCPHERSON.

Notes for ROME WILLIAM KEMP:

U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946 Record

about Romie W Kemp

Name: Romie W Kemp

Birth Year: 1919

Race: White, citizen

Nativity State or Country: Oregon

State: Oregon

County or City: Umatilla

Enlistment Date: 23 Apr 1941

Enlistment State: Oregon

Enlistment City: Portland

Branch: Branch Immaterial - Warrant Officers, USA

Branch Code: Branch Immaterial - Warrant Officers, USA

Grade: Private

Grade Code: Private

Component: Selectees (Enlisted Men)

Source: Civil Life

Education: Grammar school

Marital Status: Single, without dependents

Height: 70

Weight: 202

More About ROME WILLIAM KEMP:

Burial: IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR²²

Census: 1930, OR Umatilla Pct 12 Dist 17 Pg 66A(See Father)

Military service: 1/LT C. A. 655 LD Batt

11. THOMAS EDWARD⁴ DIGGINS (*THOMAS LESSARD*³, *DAVID F.*², *SAMUEL*¹) was born 12 Feb 1899 in Oregon²³, and died 19 Oct 1980 in Elgin, Union, OR^{24,25}. He married (1) DOROTHY ?. He married (2) NELLIE MARGUERITE BRUCE Abt. 1924. She was born 25 Nov 1899 in Oregon²⁶, and died Dec 1993 in Milton Freewater, Umatilla, OR^{27,28}.

Notes for THOMAS EDWARD DIGGINS:

Name: Thomas Edward Diggins

City: Not Stated

County: Umatilla

State: Oregon

Birth Date: 12 Feb 1899

Race: White

Roll: 1852208

DraftBoard: 0

U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946 Record

about Thomas E Diggins

Name: Thomas E Diggins

Birth Year: 1899

Race: White, citizen

Nativity State or Country: Oregon

State: Oregon

County or City: Umatilla

Enlistment Date: 29 Sep 1942

Enlistment State: Washington

Enlistment City: Spokane

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: Grammar school

Civil Occupation: Tractor Driver* or Truck Driver, Heavy or Chauffeur or Truck Driver, Light
An asterisk (*) appearing after a job title indicates that a trade test for the particular occupation will be found in the United States Employment Service Manual, Oral Trade Test

Marital Status: Divorced, without dependents

Height: 67

Weight: 156

1930 Census OR Umatilla Weston Dist 23 Pg 74B(10 Apr 1930 William B Hall)

Line 56

45 45 Diggins Thomas E Head MW 31 M 25 Oregon PA KS laborer Sheep Ranch

-----, Nellie M Wife FW 30 M24 Oregon WA OR

-----, James E Son MW 4 S Oregon OR OR

-----, Irene M DAughter FW 3 S Oregon OR OR

-----, Donald D Son MW 8/12 S Oregon OR OR

More About THOMAS EDWARD DIGGINS:

Census 1: 1900, OR Umatilla Weston ED 110 Pg 61A(See Father)

Census 2: 1910, OR Umatilla Mtn Pct ED 264 Pg 198A(See Father)

Census 3: 1920, OR Umatilla Pct 12 ED 150 Pg 65B(See father)

Census 4: 1930, OR Umatilla Weston Dist 23 Pg 74B

More About NELLIE MARGUERITE BRUCE:

Burial: Diggins Nellie M. b 25 Nov 1899; d 31 Dec 1993 12-11

Census: 1930, OR Umatilla Weston Dist 23 Pg 74B(See Husband)

More About THOMAS DIGGINS and NELLIE BRUCE:

Marriage: Abt. 1924

Children of THOMAS DIGGINS and NELLIE BRUCE are:

i. JAMES E⁵ DIGGINS, b. Abt. 1926, Oregon.

More About JAMES E DIGGINS:

Census: 1930, OR Umatilla Weston Dist 23 Pg 74B(See Father)

ii. IRENE MARGARET DIGGINS, b. Abt. 1927, Oregon; m. HENRY MAX MITCHELL, 08 Nov 1970, Astoria, Clatsop, OR; b. 13 Feb 1921, Greenville, Bond, IL; d. 17 Sep 1986, Walla Walla, Walla Walla, WA.

More About IRENE MARGARET DIGGINS:

Census: 1930, OR Umatilla Weston Dist 23 Pg 74B(See Father)

More About HENRY MITCHELL and IRENE DIGGINS:

Marriage: 08 Nov 1970, Astoria, Clatsop, OR

iii. DONALD D DIGGINS, b. Abt. 1929, Oregon.

More About DONALD D DIGGINS:

Census: 1930, OR Umatilla Weston Dist 23 Pg 74B(See Father)

12. MAUD M⁴ DIGGINS (*THOMAS LESSARD*³, *DAVID F.*², *SAMUEL*¹) was born 16 Dec 1902 in Basketmountain, Umatilla, Oregon, and died 13 Dec 2003 in Walla Walla, Walla Walla, WA²⁹. She married GEORGE WALTER HARPER 21 Nov 1925 in Dayton, WA, son of WILLIAM HARPER and NELLIE ?. He was born 25 Oct 1898 in Sprague, Washington, and died 09 Jan 1977 in Pilot Rock, Umatilla, OR^{30,31}.

Notes for MAUD M DIGGINS:

Milton-Freewater Area Historical Society, Inc

Oral History.

Narrator: Maud M Diggins Harper

Birthdate: 12-16-1902 Birthplace: Basket Mtn near Weston Or.

Occupation: cook, waitress, homemaker

Membership: Westley Methodist Church, Historical Society

How long a resident of Umatilla County? 89 years

Referred to Historical Society by Eleanor Blumhagen.

Father's information:

Thomas Lessard Diggins

Birthdate: 11 13 1873 Died: 7-31-1948 Birthplace: Hawsville Penn.

Occupation: Farmer and Cattleman

Date of Arrival in Umatilla County: Autumn of 1886

Residence: Basket Mt near Weston

Date Married: 1896

Mother's information:

Maud May Hurst Diggins

Birthdate: 9-6-1879 Died 8-25-1958 Birthplace: McCunes Kansas

Occupation: Housewife and loving mother

Date of Arrival to Umatilla County: Autumn of 1889

Residence: Basket Mt near Weston

Narrator's Brothers and Sisters

Eith H Diggins Kemp Born: 12-1 1896 Died 1-9-1975 Married: 1914

Thomas Edward Diggins Born: 2-12 1899 Died 10 -19 1980 Married: 1924

Thelma J Diggins Ferguson Born: 10-6 1904 Died 1986 Married: 1927

Frank Steen Diggins Born: 9-29 1904 Died -- Married: 1938

Glen Diggins Born: 5-27 1908 Died 9-4 1944 Married: 1931

David William Diggins Born: 5-22 1910 Died -- Married: 1937

Elmer Lee Johnnie Diggins Born: 10-17 1917 Died 2-23 1977 Married: 1937

NEWS PAPER Blue Mtn. Pioneer, Milton-Freewater, OR

DATE December 16, 2003

Pioneer Name Maud M. Diggins, 1460 Dalles Military Rd, Walla Walla, WA

Born/Where/When Dec 2003 on Basket Mtn, Umatilla, OR

Died/Where/When Dec 13, 2003 Walla Walla, Walla Walla, WA

Buried/Where/When Dec 17, 2003 IOOF Cem. Milton-Freewater, Umatilla, OR

Occupation Cook and Waitress

Spouse/Born/Died George Walter Harper D. Jan 9 1977

Marriage Nov 21, 1925 Dayton, Columbia, WA

Survived Children Jerry Harper, Florence, Missoula, MT

Survived Siblings Brother-David Diggins-Pendleton, Umatilla, OR

Father Thomas L. Diggins

Mother Maud Hurst

Preceded in Death Daughter-Louis Harper

Brother-Tom Diggins

Brother-Glen Diggins

Brother-Frank Diggins

Brother-John

Sister-Edith Kemp

Sister-Thelma Ferguson

OBIT - Walla Walla Union Bulletin - Dec 15, 2003

MAUD HARPER

Maud M. Harper, 100, a resident of Garrison Creek Lodge, 1460 Dalles Military Road, died Dec. 13, 2003, at St. Mary Medical Center.

The graveside service will be 2 pm, Wednesday at Milton-Freewater Cemetery with the Rev. Amy Pearson of Wesley United Methodist Church officiating.

Memorials may be made to Frazier Farmstead Museum or Umatilla County Historical Society through Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home, 902 S. Main, M-F.

Mrs. Harper was born Dec. 16, 1902, to Thomas L. and Maud Hurst Diggins near M-F on Basket Mountain, where she grew up and attended school.

She married George Walter Harper in Dayton on Nov. 21, 1925. They lived on Couse Creek and then in M-F. They lived six months in Pendleton, then moved to Pilot Rock in spring 1940. She was a cook and waitress in Pilot Rock. She was well known for her cooking. She lived in Pilot Rock until her husband's death Jan. 9, 1977, then returned to M-F. She moved from her Vining Street address in February 2003 to Garrison Creek.

She enjoyed writing poetry and was a history buff, especially Umatilla County history. Mrs. Harper was a member of Weley United Methodist Church and Umatilla County Historical Society.

Survivors include son Jerry Harper of Florence, MT; brother David Diggins of Pendleton; five grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and a great-great grandson. She was preceded in death by daughter Louis Harper; four brothers, Tom, Glen, Frank and Johie Diggins; and two sisters, Edith Kemp and Thelma Ferguson.

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More About MAUD M DIGGINS:

Burial: 17 Dec 2003, IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR³²

Census 1: 1910, OR Umatilla Mtn Pct ED 264 Pg 198A(See Father)

Census 2: 1920, OR Umatilla Pct 12 ED 150 Pg 65B (See Father)

Obituary: 15 Dec 2003, Walla Walla Union Bulletin

Notes for GEORGE WALTER HARPER:

World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 Record

about George Walter Harper

Name: George Walter Harper

City: Not Stated

County: Umatilla

State: Oregon

Birth Date: 25 Oct 1899

Race: White

Roll: 1852148

DraftBoard: 0

Walla Walla Union Bulletin (Walla Walla, Washington) > 1977 > January > 10, page 9

George Walter Harper

PILOT ROCK -- George Walter harper, 110 N. Alder St., died Sunday at his home at the age of 78.

Funeral Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home Chapel in Milton-Freewater. The Rev. Richard Davidson, pastor of the First Christian Church of Milton-Freewater, will officiate. Concluding services and burial will be in the Milton-Freewater Cemetery.

Harper was born in Sprague, Wash., Oct 25, 1898, the son of William and Nellie Harper. He was married Nov. 21, 1925, in Dayton, to Maud Diggins. She survives at the family home.

The family lived in Milton-Freewater until 1939, when they moved to Pendleton. He moved to Pilot Rock the next year to work for the Pilot Rock Lumber Co., now Louisiana-Pacific Co. Harper was an outdoorsman and particularly enjoyed fishing.

besides his widow, Maud, he is survived by his daughter, Louise Raugust, Walla Walla; his son, Gerald W. Harper, Prineville, Ore.; his brother, Oral Harper, Port Angeles; his sister, Ruby Ferguson and Leona Lytle, both of Port Angeles, and Alberta Smith of Alaska; five grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

More About GEORGE WALTER HARPER:

Burial: IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR³²

More About GEORGE HARPER and MAUD DIGGINS:

Marriage: 21 Nov 1925, Dayton, WA

Children of MAUD DIGGINS and GEORGE HARPER are:

i. LOUISE⁵ HARPER, b. Private; m. ? RAUGUST.

ii. JERRY HARPER, b. Private.

13. THELMA JEAN⁴ DIGGINS (*THOMAS LESSARD*³, *DAVID F.*², *SAMUEL*¹) was born 06 Oct 1904 in Oregon, and died 10 Apr 1986 in Milton Freewater, Umatilla, OR³³. She married CHESTER ARTHUR FERGUSON 1927, son of CHARLES FERGUSON and MARTHA DEARDORFF. He was born 15 Apr 1899 in Oregon, and died 14 Jul 1981 in Milton Freewater, Umatilla, OR^{33,34}.

More About THELMA JEAN DIGGINS:

Burial: IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR³⁵

Census 1: 1910, OR Umatilla Mtn Pct ED 264 Pg 198A(See Father)

Census 2: 1920, OR Umatilla Pct 12 ED 150 Pg 65B (See Father)

Census 3: 1930, OR Umatilla Pct 41 Dist 75 Pg 240B(See Husband)

Notes for CHESTER ARTHUR FERGUSON:

World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 Record

about Chester Arthur Ferguson

Name: Chester Arthur Ferguson

City: Not Stated

County: Umatilla

State: Oregon

Birth Date: 15 Apr 1899

Race: White

Roll: 1852148

DraftBoard: 0

1930 Census OR Umatilla Pct 41 Dist 75 Pg 240B(23 Apr 1930 R F Dawson)

Line 74

20 20 Ferguson Chester A Head MW 30 M 28 Oregon US MO Farmer General Farm

-----, Thelma Wife FW 25 M22 Oregon PA KS

-----, Wayne A Son MW 1 1/12 S Oregon OR OR

More About CHESTER ARTHUR FERGUSON:

Burial: IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR³⁵

Census 1: 1920, OR Umatilla Pct 28 ED 159 Pg 1B(See Mother)

Census 2: 1930, OR Umatilla Pct 41 Dist 75 Pg 240B

More About CHESTER FERGUSON and THELMA DIGGINS:

Marriage: 1927

Child of THELMA DIGGINS and CHESTER FERGUSON is:

18. i. WAYNE ARDELL⁵ FERGUSON, b. 13 Mar 1929, Oregon; d. 16 Jun 1968, Phu Yen S. Vietnam.

14. FRANK STEEN⁴ DIGGINS (*THOMAS LESSARD³, DAVID F.², SAMUEL¹*) was born 29 Sep 1906 in Nr. Milton, Umatilla, OR, and died 11 Feb 2003 in Walla Walla, Walla Walla, WA³⁶. He married (1) BERNICE GOULD. He married (2) MARTHA OBERT 1938 in Walla Walla, Walla Walla, WA. She was born 14 Nov 1910, and died 03 Dec 2000 in Milton-Freewater, Umatilla, OR³⁷.

Notes for FRANK STEEN DIGGINS:

<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GSln=diggins&GSbyrel=all&GSdyrel=all&GSst=39&GSob=n&GRid=7383503>

Frank S Diggins

Birth: Sep. 29, 1906

Milton-Freewater

Umatilla County

Oregon, USA

Death: Feb. 11, 2003

Walla Walla

Walla Walla County

Washington, USA

Son of Thomas & Maude (HURST) Diggins...1935 married Martha OBERT (deceased 3 Dec 2000)...Father of Art (deceased 1990) & Calvin...Obit Valley Herald, Milton-Freewater OR, 21 Feb 2003, Page A4 & Blue Mountain Pioneer, (Walla Walla, WA), 18 Feb 2003, Page 5.

Burial:

Milton-Freewater IOOF Cemetery

Milton-Freewater

Umatilla County

Oregon, USA

OBIT - Walla Walla Union Bulletin - Feb. 16, 2003

FRANK DIGGINS

MILTON-FREEWATER -

Longtime M-F resident Frank S. Diggins, 96, of 116 Casco St, died Feb 11, 2003, at Walla Walla General Hospital.

Private burial services were held at M-F Cemetery.

Mr. Diggins was born Set. 29, 1906, on Basket Mountain near Milton-Freewater to Thomas and Maude Hurst Diggins. He attended Basket Mountain and Couse Creek schools.

After his schooling was completed he worked on a ranch helping with wheat and cattle.

In 1935 he married Martha Obert in Walla Walla. They lived three years on Weston Mountain before moving to Couse Creek. He operated a sawmill for 27 years. They sold their place in 1982 and moved to their present home.

He enjoyed working outdoors and visiting with friends. Mrs. Diggins died Dec. 3, 2000.

Survivors include a son, Calvin Diggins of Clarkston; a sister, Maude Harper of M-F; a brother, Dave Diggins of Pendleton; and a granddaughter, Patricia Zumwalt of Canada. His son, Art Diggins died in 1990.

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More About FRANK STEEN DIGGINS:

Burial: IOOF Cem, Milton-Freewater, Umatilla, OR

Census 1: 1910, OR Umatilla Mtn Pct ED 264 Pg 198A(See Father)

Census 2: 1920, OR Umatilla Pct 12 ED 150 Pg 65B (See Father)

Census 3: 1930, OR Umatilla Pct 12 Dist 17 Pg 65B (See Father)

Obituary: 16 Feb 2003, Walla Walla Union Bulletin

More About MARTHA OBERT:

Burial: IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR³⁸

More About FRANK DIGGINS and MARTHA OBERT:

Marriage: 1938, Walla Walla, Walla Walla, WA

Children of FRANK DIGGINS and MARTHA OBERT are:

i. ARTHUR DAVID⁵ DIGGINS, b. 26 Feb 1949; d. Abt. 1990.

ii. CALVIN L. DIGGINS, b. 08 Feb 1950, Walla Walla, Walla Walla, WA; d. 12 Oct 2004, Spokane, , WA.

Notes for CALVIN L. DIGGINS:

Obit - Walla Walla Union Bulletin - October 20, 2004

Calvin Diggins

Clarkston - Former Milton-Freewater resident Calvin L. Diggins, 54, died Oct. 12 2004, at Sacred Heart Medical Center, Spokane.

The graveside service will be 10 a.m. Friday in Milton-Freewater Cemetery.

Mr. Diggins was born Feb. 8, 1950, in Walla Walla to Frank and Martha Obert Diggins. He graduated from McLoughlin High School.

He worked with his father for a time in the lumber trade on Couse Creek. He attended college in Clarkston and later made his home there and in Lewiston for several years.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Obit - Walla Walla Union Bulletin - October 22, 2004

Calvin Diggins

Clarkston - Former Milton-Freewater resident Calvin L. Diggins, 54, died Oct. 12 2004, at Sacred Heart Medical Center, Spokane.

The graveside service will be 10 a.m. Friday in Milton-Freewater Cemetery.

Mr. Diggins was born Feb. 8, 1950, in Walla Walla to Frank and Martha Obert Diggins. He graduated from McLoughlin High School.

He worked with his father for a time in the lumber trade on Couse Creek. He attended college in Clarkston and later made his home there and in Lewiston for several years.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include several aunts, uncles and cousins.

<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GRid=10469481>

Calvin L Diggins

Birth: Feb. 8, 1950

Walla Walla

Walla Walla County

Washington, USA

Death: Oct. 12, 2004

Spokane

Spokane County

Washington, USA

Son of Martha (Obert) & Frank Diggins...Obit Valley Herald, Milton-Freewater OR, 22 October 2004, Page A9. I (Betty, contributor here) attended school with Calvin and remember him as a very nice young man. He seemed a bit on the shy side in the class room, but out on the playground he was quite active and vocal. He wasn't a very good athlete, but liked to participate in playground games and socialize with his classmate and friends. He was a nice guy!

Burial:

Milton-Freewater IOOF Cemetery

Milton-Freewater

Umatilla County

Oregon, USA

Record added: Feb 13 2005

By: Betty from OR

More About CALVIN L. DIGGINS:

Burial: 22 Oct 2004, IOOF Cem, Milton-Freewater, OR³⁹

Obituary: 20 Oct 2004, Walla Walla Union Bulletin

15. GLEN⁴ DIGGINS (*THOMAS LESSARD*³, *DAVID F.*², *SAMUEL*¹) was born 27 May 1908 in Weston, Umatilla, OR, and died 04 Sep 1944 in Boise, ID⁴⁰. He married RUTH ELSIE MCCONNELL 03 Oct 1932 in Walla Walla, WA, daughter of HOMER MCCONNELL and IVA LEONARD. She was born 12 Nov 1912 in Lake City, CA.

More About GLEN DIGGINS:

Burial: 06 Sep 1944, IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR⁴¹

Census 1: 1910, OR Umatilla Mtn Pct ED 264 Pg 198A(See Father)

Census 2: 1920, OR Umatilla Pct 12 ED 150 Pg 65B (See Father)

Census 3: 1930, OR Umatilla Pct 12 Dist 17 Pg 65B (See Father)

Notes for RUTH ELSIE MCCONNELL:

Walla Walla Union Bulletin (Walla Walla, Washington) > 1957 > March > 11, page 12

Ruth Hurst to visit mother, Mrs McConnell, Vernon Hurst was called to Portland by death of a brother

More About GLEN DIGGINS and RUTH MCCONNELL:

Marriage: 03 Oct 1932, Walla Walla, WA

Children of GLEN DIGGINS and RUTH MCCONNELL are:

i. ROBERT GENE⁵ DIGGINS, b. 12 Oct 1942, Walla Walla, Walla Walla, WA; d. 26 Jul 1943, La Grande, Union, OR⁴².

More About ROBERT GENE DIGGINS:

Burial: 28 Jul 1943, IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR⁴³

ii. NORMAN DIGGINS.

Notes for NORMAN DIGGINS:

Walla Walla Union Bulletin (Walla Walla, Washington) > 1957 > January > 30, page 17

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Diggins of La Grande are parents of a daughter born Jan 14 in a La Grande Hospital. Mrs. Ruth Hurst is the paternal Grandmother.

16. DAVID WILLIAM⁴ DIGGINS (*THOMAS LESSARD³, DAVID F.², SAMUEL¹*) was born 22 May 1910 in Oregon, and died 02 Jan 2004 in Pendleton, Umatilla, OR⁴⁴. He married VIOLA CYNTHIA JAMISON 1937.

More About DAVID WILLIAM DIGGINS:

Burial: IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR⁴⁵

Census 1: 1930, OR Umatilla Pct 12 Dist 17 Pg 65B (See Father)

Census 2: 1920, OR Umatilla Pct 12 ED 150 Pg 65B (See Father)

More About DAVID DIGGINS and VIOLA JAMISON:

Marriage: 1937

Children of DAVID DIGGINS and VIOLA JAMISON are:

i. THELMA MARIE⁵ DIGGINS.

ii. GEORGE DIGGINS.

17. ELMER LEE 'JOHNNIE'⁴ DIGGINS (*THOMAS LESSARD³, DAVID F.², SAMUEL¹*) was born 17 Oct 1917 in Basket Mountain, Oregon, and died 23 Feb 1977 in Milton Freewater, Umatilla, OR^{46,47}. He married ETHEL W. FEAGINS 31 Jul 1937 in Walla Walla, WA, daughter of FRANK FEAGINS and WINNIE LANE. She was born 26 Aug 1919 in Drummond, Teton, Idaho, and died 25 Aug 2001 in Seattle, King, Washington⁴⁸.

Notes for ELMER LEE 'JOHNNIE' DIGGINS:

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Elmer Lee "Johnnie" Diggins

MILTON-FREEWATER -- Elmer Lee "Johnnie" Diggins, Route 1, died Wednesday at his home at the age of 59.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in the First Christian Church with the Rev. Richard Davidson officiating. Burial will be in the Milton-Freewater Cemetery.

Friends who wish may make memorial contributions to the Oregon Heart fund or the Multiple Sclerosis Society through Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home.

Diggins was born Oct. 17, 1917, on Basket Mountain, the son of Thomas and Maud Diggins. When Diggins was a boy the family moved to Couse Creek, where he made his home all his life.

He was married in Walla Walla July 31, 1937, to Ethel Feagins, who survives at the family home.

Diggins was a driver for Consolidated Freightways for 17 years, and for seven years was in a partnership operating Butch's Tavern. For a number of years he was in the logging business. He retired in 1970 after 2 1/2 years managing BPO Elks No. 2146 in Milton-Freewater.

Besides his widow, Ethel Diggins, at the home, he is survived by his son, Ronald L. Diggins, Lafayette, La.; his daughter, Charlene King, Naselle, Wash.; his brothers, Frank Diggins, Milton-Freewater; Tom Diggins, Elgin, and Dave Diggins, Pendleton; his sisters, Thelma Ferguson, Milton-Freewater, and Maud Harper, Pilot Rock; two grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

More About ELMER LEE 'JOHNNIE' DIGGINS:

Burial: 25 Feb 1977, IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR⁴⁹

Census 1: 1920, OR Umatilla Pct 12 ED 150 Pg 65B (See Father)

Census 2: 1930, OR Umatilla Pct 12 Dist 17 Pg 65B (See Father)

Notes for ETHEL W. FEAGINS:

Obituary in the Milton-Freewater Valley Times dated Friday, September 7, 2001

<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GSln=diggins&GSbyrel=all&GSdyrel=all&GSst=39&GSob=n&GRid=5899685&>

Birth: Aug. 26, 1919

Idaho, USA

Death: Aug. 25, 2001

Seattle

King County

Washington, USA

Daughter of Frank & Winnie Lane Feagins...Married Elmer Lee "Johnnie" Diggins 31 Jul 1937 (died 1977)...Mother of: Winnie Charlene, Dennis, Ronald, & Lee (deceased in infancy)...Sister of: Lois, Marjorie, Arla, Dorothy, Donna (deceased)...Obit Valley Times, Milton-Freewater OR, Sep 7, 2001, Page A7.

More About ETHEL W. FEAGINS:

Died 2: 25 Aug 2001, Milton Freewater, Umatilla, OR⁵⁰

Burial: 27 Aug 2001, IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR⁵¹

Obituary: 07 Sep 2001, Valley Times, Milton-Freewater, OR

More About ELMER DIGGINS and ETHEL FEAGINS:

Marriage: 31 Jul 1937, Walla Walla, WA

Children of ELMER DIGGINS and ETHEL FEAGINS are:

- i. WINNIE CHARLENE⁵ DIGGINS, m. ? KING.
- ii. RONALD L. DIGGINS.
- iii. LEE CLARE DIGGINS, b. Apr 1939; d. 07 May 1939.

More About LEE CLARE DIGGINS:

Burial: 09 May 1939, IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR⁵²

Generation No. 5

18. WAYNE ARDELL⁵ FERGUSON (*THELMA JEAN⁴ DIGGINS, THOMAS LESSARD³, DAVID F.², SAMUEL¹*) was born 13 Mar 1929 in Oregon, and died 16 Jun 1968 in Phu Yen S. Vietnam⁵³. He married JUNE LA VELLE FOREST.

Notes for WAYNE ARDELL FERGUSON:

<http://www.facesfromthewall.com/orvn/OR1968jun.html>

WAYNE ARDELL FERGUSON

Birth 13MAR29 Rank MAJ Date of Death 16JUN68

P. of birth Pendleton Service Air Force (Reserve) Place Phu Yen S. Vietnam

Town of

Record Milton-Freewater Unit 21 TAS SQ Death Code Hostile, Died; Air Loss, Crash - Land Fixed Wing - Pilot

Hometown service # 3005872 Panel 56WEST - 02

Married Married Link Hit My Smoke Medals Purple Heart

Tour Date 12FEB68 Comment Cemetery

Oregon Man Dies In War Milton-Freewater Major Wayne Ferguson, 39, flying an Army Artillery spotter plane, was shot down and killed in Vietnam, his parents reported Monday. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ferguson of Milton-Freewater. He was a native of Pendleton and lived in Milton-Freewater before entering the service 18 years ago. He was the 330th death of an Oregon man in the Vietnam conflict and the 130th this year. In addition to his parents he is survived by his wife and three children in Clovis NM and a son by a previous marriage in Heppner OR. (The Oregonian, Portland OR, 18 Jun 1968)

More About WAYNE ARDELL FERGUSON:

Burial: IOOF Cemetery, Milton-Freewater, OR⁵⁴

Census: 1930, OR Umatilla Pct 41 Dist 75 Pg 240B(See Father)

Military service: Major USAL Korea-Vietnam

Child of WAYNE FERGUSON and JUNE FOREST is:

i. CHARLIE FOREST⁶ FERGUSON, b. 22 Dec 1952, Bexar,TX⁵⁵.

Endnotes

1. *Oregon Death Index*, (Ancestry.com), "Electronic," Name: Diggins, David County: Wallowa Death Date: 02 Sep 1912 Certificate: 2755.

2. U.S. and International Marriage Records, 1560-1900, Name: Melvina Pennington Gender: female Birth Place: OR Birth Year: 1849 Spouse Name: David Diggins Spouse Birth Place: PA Spouse Birth Year: 1833 Marriage Year: 1894 Marriage State: OR Number Pages: 1 Name: David Diggins Gender: male Birth Place: PA Birth Year: 1833 Spouse Name: Melvina Pennington Spouse Birth Place: OR Spouse Birth Year: 1849 Marriage Year: 1894 Marriage State: OR Number Pages: 1 .

3. *Prairie Creek Cemetery, Wallowa, OR*, "Electronic," Diggins, David F. 1 JAN 1833 : 2 SEP 1912.

4. U.S. and International Marriage Records, 1560-1900, Name: Melvina Pennington Gender: female Birth Place: OR Birth Year: 1849 Spouse Name: David Diggins Spouse Birth Place: PA Spouse Birth Year: 1833 Marriage Year: 1894 Marriage State: OR Number Pages: 1 Name: David Diggins Gender: male Birth Place: PA Birth Year: 1833 Spouse Name: Melvina Pennington Spouse Birth Place: OR Spouse Birth Year: 1849 Marriage Year: 1894 Marriage State: OR Number Pages: 1 .

5. SS Death Index, Name: Ernest Diggins SSN: 190-07-0717 Last Residence: 33533 Englewood, Sarasota, Florida, United States of America Born: 12 Aug 1886 Last Benefit: 32809 Orlando, Orange, Florida, United States of America Died: Mar 1977 State (Year) SSN issued: Pennsylvania (Before 1951).

6. CA Death Index, DIGGINS LUCINE H 07/28/1890 WARFIELD DIGGINS M PENNSYLVANIA LOS ANGELES(19) 03/07/1944 53 yrs.

7. *Oregon Death Index*, (Ancestry.com), "Electronic," Name: ??, Thomas County: Umatilla Death Date: 23 0 1948 Certificate: 11622.

8. Washington Death Index, 1940-1996, Name: Thomas L Diggins Place of Death: Walla Walla Date of Death: 02 Aug 1948 Age: 74 Gender: M Certificate: 14487 .

9. *Oregon Death Index*, (Ancestry.com), "Electronic," Name: Diggins, Maude M County: 46 Death Date: 25 Aug 1958.

10. IOOF Cemetery Record, Diggins Thomas L 1873-1948 "Dad" 4-1.

11. IOOF Cemetery Record, DigginsMaude M1879-1958 "Mother"4-1.
12. SS Death Record, EDITH KEMP 01 Dec 1896 Jan 1975 97862 (Milton Freewater, Umatilla, OR) (none specified) 543-07-4597 Oregon.
13. *Oregon Death Index*, (Ancestry.com), "Electronic," Name: Kemp, Edith H County: Umatilla Death Date: 09 Jan 1975 Certificate: 75-01530 Birth Date: - Dec 1896 .
14. *Oregon Death Index*, (Ancestry.com), "Electronic," Name: Kemp, Rome C County: Multnomah Death Date: 29 N 1960 Certificate: 14990 Spouse: Edith .
15. IOOF Cemetery Record.
16. CA Death Index, Name: SARANTO, HAZEL MAE Social Security #: 541105122 Sex: FEMALE Birth Date: 20 Jan 1916 Birthplace: OREGON Death Date: 10 Jan 1995 Death Place: VENTURA Mother's Maiden Name: DIGGINS Father's Surname: KEMP.
17. SS Death Index, Name: Hazel M. Saranto SSN: 541-10-5122 Last Residence: 93030 Oxnard, Ventura, California, United States of America Born: 20 Jan 1916 Died: Jan 1995 State (Year) SSN issued: Oregon (Before 1951) .
18. SS Death Index, Name: Angelo Saranto SSN: 541-10-5425 Last Residence: 99362 Walla Walla, Walla Walla, Washington, United States of America Born: 30 May 1911 Last Benefit: 99362 Walla Walla, Walla Walla, Washington, United States of America Died: Oct 1985 State (Year) SSN issued: Oregon (Before 1951) .
19. Washington Death Index, 1940-1996, Name: Angelo Saranto Place of Death: Walla Walla Date of Death: 31 Oct 1985 Residence: Walla Walla Age: 74 years Gender: M SSN: 541-10-5425 Certificate: 026003 .
20. SS Death Index, Name: Romie Kemp SSN: 542-07-9188 Last Residence: 97862 Milton Freewater, Umatilla, Oregon, United States of America Born: 28 Mar 1920 Last Benefit: 97862 Milton Freewater, Umatilla, Oregon, United States of America Died: Feb 1982 State (Year) SSN issued: Oregon (Before 1951) .
21. Washington Death Index, 1940-1996, Name: Romie W Kemp Place of Death: Walla Walla Date of Death: 13 Feb 1982 Age: 61 years Gender: M SSN: 542-07-9188 Certificate: 004633 .
22. Milton-Freewater IOOF Cemetery, Umatilla County, Oregon, Kemp Rome W 1920-1982 1/Lt. C. A. 655 I.D. Batt. 11-3.
23. Oregon Historical Records Index Detail Information, Case# 704/31311 Name Diggins, Thomas E Date 02-12-1899 Record Type Delayed Birth County Umatilla Source Health.
24. SS Death Record, THOMAS DIGGINS 12 Feb 1899 Oct 1980 97827 (Elgin, Union, OR) 97827 (Elgin, Union, OR) 536-07-3623 Washington.

25. *Oregon Death Index*, (Ancestry.com), "Electronic," Name: Diggins, Thomas E County: Union Death Date: 19 Oct 1980 Certificate: 80-17779 Birth Date: 12 Feb 1899 Spouse: Dorothea.
26. Oregon Historical Records Index Detail Information, Case# 982/39416 Name Diggins, Nellie Marguerite Bruce Date 11-25-1899 Record Type Delayed Birth County Umatilla Source HealthParents x.
27. SS Death Record, NELLIE B DIGGINS 25 Nov 1899 Dec 1993 97862 (Milton Freewater, Umatilla, OR) 97827 (Elgin, Union, OR) 540-03-0148 Oregon.
28. *Oregon Death Index*, (Ancestry.com), "Electronic," Name: Diggins, Nellie Marguerite County: Umatilla Death Date: 31 Dec 1993 Certificate: 93-27723 Birth Date: 25 Nov 1899 .
29. SS Death Index, MAUDE M HARPER 16 Dec 1902 13 Dec 2003 (V) 97862 (Milton Freewater, Umatilla, OR) (none specified) 542-30-7852 Oregon.
30. SS Death Record.
31. *Oregon Death Index*, (Ancestry.com), "Electronic," Name: Harper, George Wal County: Umatilla Death Date: 09 Jan 1977 Certificate: 77-01431 Birth Date: - Oct 1898 Spouse: Maud .
32. IOOF Cemetery Record.
33. SS Death Record.
34. Washington Death Index, 1940-1996, Name: Chester A Ferguson Place of Death: Walla Walla Date of Death: 14 Jul 1981 Age: 82 years Gender: M SSN: 541-42-6104 Certificate: 017548 .
35. IOOF Cemetery Record.
36. SS Death Index, FRANK S DIGGINS 29 Sep 1906 11 Feb 2003 (V) 97862 (Milton Freewater, Umatilla, OR) (none specified) 542-09-6624 Oregon.
37. SS Death Index, MARTHA E DIGGINS 14 Nov 1910 03 Dec 2000 (V) 97862 (Milton Freewater, Umatilla, OR) (none specified) 544-09-2370 Oregon.
38. Milton-Freewater IOOF Cemetery, Umatilla County, Oregon, Diggins Martha E b 14 Nov 1910; d 3 Dec 2000 12-2.
39. Milton-Freewater IOOF Cemetery, Umatilla County, Oregon, Diggins Calvin Bruial Oct 22, 2004 12-9.
40. Idaho State Death Index.
41. IOOF Cemetery Record.

42. *Oregon Death Index*, (Ancestry.com), "Electronic," Oregon Death Index, Name: Diggins, Robert G County: Union Death Date: 26 Jul 1943 .
43. Milton-Freewater IOOF Cemetery, Umatilla County, Oregon, Diggins Robert G 1942-1943 BBL3.
44. SS Death Index, DAVID W DIGGINS 22 May 1910 02 Jan 2004 (V) 97801 (Pendleton, Umatilla, OR) (none specified) 544-09-1124 Oregon.
45. Milton-Freewater IOOF Cemetery, Umatilla County, Oregon, Diggins Dave May 22, 1910 Jan 2, 2004 12-5.
46. SS Death Record.
47. *Oregon Death Index*, (Ancestry.com), "Electronic," Name: Diggins, Elmer Lee County: Umatilla Death Date: 23 Feb 1977 Certificate: 77-03031 Age: 60 Birth Date: - Oct 1917 Spouse: Ethel .
48. SS Death Index, Name: Ethel F. Diggins SSN: 542-18-1348 Last Residence: 97862 Milton Freewater, Umatilla, Oregon, United States of America Born: 26 Aug 1919 Last Benefit: 97862 Milton Freewater, Umatilla, Oregon, United States of America Died: 25 Aug 2001 State (Year) SSN issued: Oregon (Before 1951) .
49. IOOF Cemetery Record.
50. SS Death Record.
51. IOOF Cemetery Record.
52. Milton-Freewater IOOF Cemetery, Umatilla County, Oregon, Diggins Lee Clare d 7 May 1939 age 1 mo BBL.
53. Vietnam War, Deceased Casualties, Name: WAYNE ARDELL Ferguson Birth Date: 13 Mar 1929 Death Date: 16 Jun 1968 Home City: Milton-freewater Home State: Oregon SSN/Service #: 3005872 Death Date: 16 Jun 1968 Casualty Country: Republic of Vietnam (South Vietnam) Tour Start Date: 12 Feb 1968 Service Branch: Department of the Air Force Component: Reserve (USAR, USNR, USAFR, USMCR, USCGR) Rank: Major Military Grade: Major Pay Grade: Major (U.S. Army, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Marine Corps) or Lieutenant Commander (U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard) Province: 09 Decoration: Not Available CN: Republic of Vietnam (South Vietnam) Unit: 21 TAS SQ Service Occupation: ----- Data Source: Coffelt Database.
54. Milton-Freewater IOOF Cemetery, Umatilla County, Oregon, Ferguson Wayne A. b 13 Mar 1929; d 16 June 1968 Major USAF Korea-Vietnam 4-4.
55. Texas Birth Index, Name: Charlie Forest Ferguson Date of Birth: 22 Dec 1952 Gender: Male Birth County: Bexar Father's Name: Wayne Ardell Ferguson Mother's Name: June La Velle Forest Roll Number: 1952_0005