

Descendants of Loretta M. Hibben and Lawrence A. Halderman

Generation No. 5.3

LORETTA M.⁵ HIBBEN (*Samuel Milhous⁴, John³, Thomas², John¹*) was born November 1858 in IN, and died October 29, 1915 in Roann, Wabash Co., IN. She married **LAWRENCE A. HALDERMAN** November 27, 1879 in Wabash, Wabash Co., IN. He was born May 1857 in IN, and died Aft. 1915.

Children of **LORETTA HIBBEN** and **LAWRENCE HALDERMAN** are:

- i. **VERNE HIBBEN⁶ HALDERMAN**, b. December 14, 1881, Roann, Wabash Co., IN. He m. **MAUDE ORPHA SWEARINGER** September 21, 1904, Logansport, Cass Co., IN; b. 1883, St. Joseph, IL
- ii. **LAURA EDITH HALDERMAN**, b. July 1882, IN.
- iii. **LAWRENCE JESSE HALDERMAN**, b. October 4, 1898, IN; d. October 25, 1984, Orange Co., CA.

Descendants of Edwin K. Hibben and Luella E. Stephens

EDWIN K.⁵ HIBBEN (*Samuel Milhous⁴, John³, Thomas², John¹*) was born Abt. March 1860 in IN, and died April 25, 1939 in Kosciusko Co., IN. He married **LUELLA E. STEPHENS** December 19, 1883 in Elkhart Co., IN, daughter of **ANDREW STEPHENS** and **FRANCES E. HALL**. She was born Abt. 1862 in IN, and died July 21, 1940 in Los Angeles Co., CA.

Children of **EDWIN HIBBEN** and **LUELLA STEPHENS** are:

- i. **BUELAH ETTA⁶ HIBBEN**, b. December 17, 1889, Sioux City, Woodbury Co., IA; d. April 17, 1973, Los Angeles Co., CA. She m. **JOHN WALKER LAVIOLETTE** January 01, 1914, Anderson, Madison Co., IN; b. November 18, 1889, Sioux City, Woodbury Co., IA; d. September 17, 1953, San Diego Co., CA.
- ii. **GLEN S. HIBBEN**, b. October 20, 1891, IN; d. Bef. October 11, 1945, Kosciusko Co., IN. He m. **FERN DICKSON** June 17, 1915, St. Joseph Co., IN; b. October 25, 1891, Marshall Co., IN. She m. **MERRILL NAFTZGER** August 1949; d. May 11, 1957, Washington, DC.

Descendants of Charles James Hibben and Luella S. Koonse

CHARLES JAMES⁵ HIBBEN (*Samuel Milhous⁴, John³, Thomas², John¹*) was born December 19, 1862 in IN, and died July 19, 1951 in Orange Co., CA. He married **LUELLA S. KOONSE** December 19, 1887 in Elkhart Co., IN. She was born March 1862 in Goshen, Elkhart Co., IN; and died May 19, 1904, Norfolk, Madison Co., NE. He married (2) **LAURA J. LAW** August 28, 1905 in Madison, Madison Co., NE. She was born 1874, NE. He married (3) **CHARLOTTE H. THOMAS** Bet. 1920 – 1930. She was born July 5. 1878 in KS, and died March 12, 1966 in Madera, Orange Co., CA.

Children of **CHARLES HIBBEN** and **LUELLA KOONSE** are:

- i. **ROY MILHOUS⁶ HIBBEN**, b. September 27, 1890, Norfolk, Madison Co., NE; d. March 06, 1952, Orange Co., CA. He m. (1) **STEPHANIE ELEANOR BRADER NICKS** February 17, 1918, Duval Co., FL; b. May 17, 1892; d. July 2, 1919. He m. (2) **BEATA HANISCH** August 10, 1923, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE; b. Abt. 1896, NE; d. 1952.
- ii. **ETHEL HIBBEN**, b. January 16, 1892, Oakdale, Antelope Co., NE; d. December 03, 1967, Madison, Madison Co., NE. She m. **WALTER LEROY PURDY** September 22, 1920, Norfolk, Madison Co., NE; b. May 26, 1895, Madison, Madison Co., NE; d. May 13, 1973, Madison, Madison Co., NE.
- iii. **MARVIN JOHN HIBBEN**, b. June 05, 1893, Oakdale, Antelope Co., NE; d. May 19, 1965, Cuba, San Bernardino Co., CA.
- iv. **WILBUR OSCAR HIBBEN**, b. October 24, 1894, Scribner, Dodge Co., NE; d. May 03, 1964, Modoc, Modoc Co., CA. He m. **ETHEL ELLEN CROSS** Aft. 1930; b. July 28, 1892, Powell, Jefferson Co., NE; d. July 2, 1970, Downey, Los Angeles Co., CA.

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- v. **BERNICE IRENE HIBBEN**, b. March 28, 1897, Oakdale, Antelope Co., NE; d. May 8, 1996, OR. She m. (1) **CHRISTOPHER CROWELL** 1915; b. May 27, 1900, NE; d. November 1983, Portland, Multnomah Co., OR. She m. (2) **MILLARD WEBB** 1957; b. March 19, 1877; d. July 1967, Portland, Multnomah Co., OR.

Children of **CHARLES HIBBEN** and **CHARLOTTE THOMAS** are:

- i. **JAMES A. HIBBEN**, b. Abt. 1905, NE (stepson)
- ii. **ROBERT HIBBEN**, b. Abt. 1909, KS (stepson)

Descendants of Jesse W. Hibben and Ellen Fuller Cann

JESSE W.⁵ HIBBEN (*Samuel Milhous⁴, John³, Thomas², John¹*) was born August 30, 1865 in Wabash, Wabash Co., IN, and died May 03, 1950 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co., NE. He married **ELLEN FULLER CANN** June 03, 1890 in Missouri Valley, Harrison Co., IA. She was the daughter of **RUSSELL FULLER** and **ELLEN TITUS** and was adopted by **ROBERT CANN** and **ELLEN STUBBERT**. She was born March 07, 1872 in Warren, Warren Co., PA, and died August 04, 1934 in Fremont, Dodge Co., NE.

Children of **JESSE HIBBEN** and **ELLEN CANN** are:

- i. **ROBERT CANN⁶ HIBBEN**, b. March 30, 1892, Missouri Valley, Harrison Co., IA; d. March 31, 1963, Washington, DC. He m. (1) **FLOY BONTA RADFORD** December 08, 1917, Leavenworth, Leavenworth Co., KS; b. October 12, 1894, Leavenworth, Leavenworth Co., KS; d. October 27, 1945, Washington, DC. He m. (2) **KATHERINE LAMNECK** Aft. 1945; b. January 3, 1912, Columbus, Franklin Co., OH; d. August 17, 2000, Sandy Spring, MD.
- ii. **ANNA LOUISE HIBBEN**, b. September 16, 1893, Missouri Valley, Harrison Co., IA; d. October 14, 1975, Hastings, Adams Co., NE. She m. **STEWART LUTHER DUTTON** May 18, 1917; b. May 20, 1876, Rural Retreat, Smith Co., VA; d. December 13, 1958, Mullen, Hooker Co., NE.
- iii. **EVANGELINE HIBBEN**, b. August 01, 1902, Fremont, Dodge Co., NE; d. February 14, 1984, Beatrice, Gage Co., NE. She m. **ORVILLE C. WISDOM** March 09, 1928, Fremont, Dodge Co., NE; b. March 31, 1882; d. Bef. December 1975.
- iv. **JESSE W. HIBBEN, Jr.**, b. July 04, 1904, Fremont, Dodge Co., NE; d. February 05, 1994, Medford, Jackson Co., OR. He m. **ETHEL B. METCALF** Abt. 1927, NE; b. October 28, 1907, NE; d. May 12, 2005, Walnut, Los Angeles Co., CA.

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LORETTA M. HIBBEN 1858 - 1915

and

LAWRENCE A. HALDERMAN 1857¹

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EDWIN K. HIBBEN Abt. 1860 - 1939

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LUELLA E. STEPHENS Abt. 1862 - 1951

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CHARLES JAMES HIBBEN 1862 - 1951

and wives

LUELLA S. KOONSE 1862 – 1904

LAURA J. LAW 1874

CHARLOTTE H. THOMAS 1878 - 1966

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JESSE W. HIBBEN 1865 - 1950

and

ELLEN FULLER CANN 1872 - 1934

Loretta Is Born, Marries And Dies In Wabash County, Indiana

Loretta M. Hibben was the first child of Samuel Milhous Hibben and Susan Irene Koonse. She was born in November 1858, and was known throughout her life as Etta.² She married Lawrence A. Halderman on November 27, 1879 in Wabash, Indiana.³ Etta and Lawrence had three children: Verne Hibben Halderman, born December 14, 1881; Laura Edith Halderman, born July 1882; and Lawrence Jesse Halderman, born October 4, 1898.⁴ The census in 1900 and 1910⁵ recorded Lawrence working as a farmer in Paw Paw Township, Wabash County, Indiana. Little is known about the lives of Etta and Lawrence. Loretta was fifty-seven years old when she died October 29, 1915.

EXPIRED AT ROANN Mrs. Lawrence Halderman aged 57, a well known and highly respected resident of Roann, died at her home there at nine o'clock this morning, death being due to an illness which dates back several years. For some time the deceased had been afflicted with cancer but a broken leg received several weeks ago was the immediate cause of death.

Mrs. Lawrence Halderman, whose maiden name was Etta Hibben, was born in this city and the greater part of her life was spent here. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Susan Hibben, of this city, two brothers and one sister, her husband, and three children, Edith of Beadley, Cal., Fern [Verne] of Logansport, and Lawrence, of Roann.⁶

Additional Information About The Children of Etta and Lawrence Halderman.

No additional records about daughter Edith have been found. Son Lawrence moved to California from Logansport, Indiana and died October 25, 1984 in Orange County.⁷

In 1900 Verne Hibben Halderman, twenty years old, was living with his uncle Charles in Niles, Michigan. It is assumed that as Baggage Master he was working for Charles, the Niles Station Master.⁸ Verne married Maude Orpha Swearinger September 21, 1904 in Logansport, Cass County, Indiana.⁹ The 1910 US Census records that Verne was employed as a conductor for a steam railway and that the couple had two daughters, Dorothy, age 3, and Ruth who was just a month old.¹⁰ In 1917 Verne registered for the draft. He reported he was a railroad conductor and was described as 'tall with a stout build, blue eyes, and dark hair.'¹¹ Sons, Robert S. and Donald E. Halderman were born in 1912 and 1922, respectively. By 1930 Verne continued to be employed by a steam railroad and Dorothy and Ruth had taken jobs as a bookkeeper and stenographer.¹² Verne's and Maude's dates of death are not known.



Edwin Returns To Indiana After Brief Residencies In Iowa And Michigan

Twenty-eight year old Edwin K. Hibben married Luella E. Stephens December 19, 1883 in Elkhart County, Indiana. She was the daughter of Andrew Stephens and Francis E. Hall.¹³ Edwin and Luella moved to Sioux City, Woodbury County, Iowa where Buelah E. Hibben was born on December 17, 1889. A newspaper article announcing Jesse W. Hibben's wedding in 1890 reported that Edwin and Luella of Sioux City were in attendance. They returned to Indiana where a son, Glen S. Hibben was born October 20, 1891.¹⁴ In 1900 the US Census of Niles City, Berrien County, Michigan recorded Edwin's employment as a railroad station agent. His nephew, Verne Halderman was living with Edwin's family, working as a baggage master.¹⁵ The family returned to Indiana where the 1910 US Census found them in Madison County where Edwin was employed as a freight agent for a railroad.¹⁶ US Censuses of 1920 and 1930 place Edwin and Luella in Kosciusko County.¹⁷ Evidently, they visited their daughter, Buelah, in Los Angeles, California in April 1930. They were recorded again by a census taker as the father-in-law and mother-in-law of John Walker LaViolette, Buelah's husband. Also recorded were their grandchildren, Elizabeth A. LaViolette, born about 1916 and John E. LaViolette, born July 3, 1918.¹⁸

Edwin died April 25, 1939¹⁹ and estate documents reveal that son Glen was the administrator. After Edwin's death Luella moved to California to be in the care of Beulah. She died July 21, 1940 in Los Angeles County, California and her remains were returned to Warsaw for burial.

*MRS. HIBBEN DIES. The body of Mrs. E. K. Hibben, former resident of this city, who expired at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Beulah LaViolette, in Los Angeles, Sunday, is enroute to Warsaw, Ind., where the funeral rites will be conducted in the First Methodist Church. Mrs. Hibben is a widow of E. K. Hibben, who was agent for the Big Four Railroad here several years. The family moved to Warsaw when Mr. Hibben was transferred to the Big Four station there as passenger agent. A son, Glen Hibben, is a resident of Warsaw.*²⁰

Additional Information About The Children Of Edwin And Luella Hibben

Both John Walker LaViolette and Buelah Hibben were born in Sioux City, Woodbury County, Iowa in 1889. Even though Buelah and her family returned to Indiana in 1891, close ties evidently remained with the LaViolette family. John and Buelah were married in Madison County, Indiana on January 1, 1914.²¹ Their daughter, Elizabeth A. LaViolette, was born October 24, 1915 in Indiana. John registered for the WW I draft in June 1917 in Evanston, Cook County, Illinois where he was working for the Y. M. C. A.²² A son, John Edwin LaViolette, was born there on July 3, 1918. In 1930 the Census enumerator found the family living in Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California and John employed as a printing salesman.²³ John died September 17, 1953 in San Diego County, California, and Buelah passed away April 17, 1973 in Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California.²⁴

Son Glen remained in Indiana where he married Fern Dickson on June 17, 1915 in St. Joseph County.²⁵ They had two children: Francis Jean Hibben, known as Jean, born April 9, 1919,²⁶ and David A. Hibben, born October 9, 1924.²⁷ The US Census of 1930 recorded the family living at Winnona Lake, Kosciusko County, Indiana. Glen was employed as a billing clerk for the Big Four Railroad and later as a station agent.²⁸ He died in October 1945 in Kosciusko County.²⁹ In August 1949 Fern married Merrill Naftzger and moved to Washington, DC where she died on May 11, 1957.

*Mrs. Merrill (Fern Hibben) Naftzger, 65, of Washington, DC, died Saturday of complications following a five-month illness. Born in Marshall Co., (IN) Oct. 25, 1891, she was Mrs. Glen Hibben when she lived in Warsaw. Her first husband, an employee of the Big Four railroad, died several years ago. In Aug. 1949 she married Merrill Naftzger and moved to Washington, DC. . . .She leaves her husband: one son, David Hibben, of Marion: a daughter, Mrs. Charles (Jean) Landers, of Montgomery, AL; two sisters, Mrs. Letitia Jester, Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Bessie Kellison, of Highland Park, Ind.; one brother, Elias Dickson, of South Bend, and six grandchildren. Mrs. Russell Bixel, Winnona Lake, is a niece. Last rights will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Landis funeral home. Burial will be in Oakwood. Mrs. Naftzger's casket will arrive by train in Warsaw at 1:15 p.m. Tuesday. Friends will be received at the Landis funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.*³⁰



Charles Joins The Railroad In Nebraska

Charles James Hibben was born December 19, 1862, probably in Wabash, Indiana.³¹ He was the third child and second son of Samuel and Susan Hibben. Charley, as he was called, went to school in Wabash.³² On Charles' twenty-fifth birthday, December 19, 1887, he married Luella Koonse in Elkhart County, Indiana.³³ They moved to Nebraska where Charles was employed by the Fremont, Elkhart and Missouri Valley Railroad, Their first child, Roy M. Hibben, was born September 27, 1890, in Norfolk, Madison County, Nebraska.³⁴ Ethel Hibben was born January 16, 1892, in Oakdale, Antelope County, Nebraska;³⁵ Marvin John Hibben, June 5, 1893 in Oakdale;³⁶ Wilbur Oscar Hibben, October 24, 1894 in Scribner, Dodge County, Nebraska;³⁷ and

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Bernice Hibben, March 1897 in Oakdale.³⁸ By the summer of 1900, they had moved again to Norfolk, Madison County, Nebraska where the census recorded Charles as a locomotive engineer. A year later the Norfolk Weekly News-Journal reported on a family trip to the Black Hills of South Dakota.

Mrs. Nora Blue and son Josef of Juniata, this state, arrived today to spend Thanksgiving with her aunt, Mrs. C. J. Hibben. Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hibben and family and Mr. Hibben's brother and family returned yesterday from an enjoyable trip to Black Hills points. Mr. Hibben states that things are booming in the hills and great sums of money are being invested. They looked over the work of the F. E. & M. V. which is building its road from Deadwood to Lead. The stupendousness of the undertaking may be realized when it is known that it will cost about a million and a half dollars to build the four miles of road necessary...

The Hibben family must have been devastated when Luella suddenly died on May 19, 1904 in Norfolk.

DEATH OF MRS. C. J. HIBBEN - After a brief illness, well known and much loved woman gives up her life. After a very brief illness, Mrs. Charles J. Hibben succumbed during yesterday afternoon and passed away shortly before 3 o'clock. Mr. Hibben who is engineer on the regular Norfolk-??? run, is a prominent railroad man whose friends are found in every quarter of northern Nebraska. the sudden taking away of his helpmeet brings the sincerest sympathy from his brother trainmen and his many friends. During their residence in Norfolk, Mr. and Mrs. Hibben have made hundreds of friends who will deeply feel the loss of a noble woman, a true friend and a kind and generous neighbor. Scarcely had they realized that she was ill until the serious developments had set in, took her from her home and her wide circle of friends forever. The members of the Eastern Star Lodge will attend the funeral services together, as will also the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, of which Mr. Hibben is one of the most highly respected members. Louella [sic] S. Koonse was born in Elkhart county, Indiana, on March 16, 1861, and departed this life on Thursday, May 19, 1904 at Norfolk, Nebraska, aged 43 years, 2 months and three days. On December 19, 1887, at Goshen, Indiana, she was married to Charles J. Hibben. To this union were born six children, one of whom died in infancy. Roy, Ethel, Marvin, Wilbur and Bernice remain with their father to feel the loss of the mother. Mr. and Mrs. Hibben moved to Norfolk immediately after their marriage, where they have resided with the exception of a brief residence at Oakdale. Mrs. Hibben was a member of the Methodist church as well as the chapter of Eastern Star. The funeral services will be held in the Methodist church on Sunday afternoon, conducted by the pastor, Rev. John F. Poucher. Interment will be in Prospect Hill cemetery.³⁹

With four children under the age of fifteen to care for, it is not surprising that Charles remarried just a year later. On August 28, 2005 he married Laura J. Law in Madison, Nebraska.⁴⁰ A few years later Charles added to his civic responsibilities the office of a city councilor. The Norfolk Weekly News-Journal announced his election in 1908. The caption under his photo read: *C. J. Hibben, new councilman from the fourth [district].⁴¹* Then in the fall of 1908 Charles became a representative of the railroad employee's protective association.

*RAILROAD EMPLOYEES HOLD MASS MEETING - ORGANIZE BRANCH OF THE STATE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION. WILL ENTER POLITICAL FIELD. Gathering in an enthusiastic mass meeting a Norfolk Division of the State Protective Association was started Sunday afternoon. President, J. J. Welsh, Secretary-treasurer, George A. Kendall, Vice presidents; S. L. Miller, conductors; C. J. Hibben, engineers; H. T. Donner, firemen; F. J. McGrane . . . The purpose of the organization, it was brought out at the meeting was not to prevent, obstruct or oppose any legislation demanded by the general welfare of the state, but to prevent such so-called national railroad legislation as would work against the employees. It was felt that the interests of the banker, merchant, the manufacturer and the farmer were the same, all tending to the general prosperity of all. . .*⁴²

It is not known when or why Charles' marriage to Laura J. Law ended. Between the taking of the Census of 1920 and 1930, Charles married again. This time he married Charlotte H. Thomas. She had two sons from a prior marriage who Charles apparently adopted: James A. Hibben, born about 1905 and Robert Hibben, born about 1909.⁴³ A Norfolk city directory of 1936 lists Charles as the vice president of the Elkhorn Building & Savings Association. Shortly after then, he retired and moved to California. A Voter Registration Card of 1940 states that Charles was retired and then living in Orange County.⁴⁴ Charles died July 19, 1951 at the age of 88 and Charlotte on March 12, 1966 at the age of 87, both in Orange County, California.⁴⁵

Additional Information About The Children Of Charles And Luella Hibben

Roy Milhous Hibben graduated from the University of Nebraska and then attended Boyles Business College. He registered for the draft on July 5, 1917⁴⁶ and served in the quartermaster department of the Army during World War I.⁴⁷ On February 17, 1918, he married Stephanie Eleanor Brader Nicks in Duval County, Florida. Stephanie, a Red Cross nurse, contracted typhoid while administering to the sick and died July 2, 1919. She was buried in the Hillcrest Cemetery in Omaha, Douglas Co., Nebraska.⁴⁸ The 1920 Census taker found Roy living in Omaha with Stephanie's parents and grandmother.⁴⁹

At that time he was employed as a 'commercial traveler' or salesman and then was employed as an insurance agent for Travelers Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, a position he still held in 1930. On August 10, 1923 he married Beata Hanisch in Omaha.⁵⁰ No children are recorded in the Census of 1930.⁵¹ Roy died March 6, 1962 in Orange County, California at the age of 61.⁵² No record of Beata's death has been found.

Ethel Hibben married Walter LeRoy Purdy on September 22, 1920 in Norfolk, Madison County, Nebraska.⁵³ After the death of two infants, Ethel and Walter adopted Donald James Purdy, who was born on June 3, 1924.⁵⁴ Ethel died December 3, 1967 and is buried at Crown Hill Cemetery, Madison, Madison County, Nebraska.⁵⁵ Walter died May 13, 1973 and is buried next to Ethel.⁵⁶

Marvin John Hibben served in Company C, 24th Machine Gun Battalion of the 8th Division during World War I.⁵⁷ On his Social Security Application in February 1937, Marvin gave his occupation as a boilermaker working for the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad. No record of a marriage has been found. By 1952 Marvin had moved to California where voter

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registration recorded his continued residence in Joshua Tree Precinct, San Bernardino County through 1964.⁵⁸ He died May 19, 1965 at Cuba, San Bernardino County at the age of 71.⁵⁹

Wilbur Oscar Hibben also served in the A. E. F. during World War I as a Corporal in both the 34th and 168th Infantry Divisions.⁶⁰ At the age of 35 in 1930, he was single and working as a brakeman on the railroad in Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska.⁶¹ At a later date he married Ethel Ellen Cross who had children by a previous marriage.⁶² When he applied for a Social Security card in May 1941, he indicated that he was unemployed, but had been a restaurant owner in Grand Isle, Nebraska.⁶³ He died May 9, 1964 in Modoc County, California at the age of 69.⁶⁴ Ethel was born July 28, 1892 in Powell, Jefferson County, Nebraska and died on July 2, 1970, just short of her 78th birthday, in Downey, Los Angeles County, California.⁶⁵

Bernice Irene Hibben married Christopher Crowell in 1922, most likely in Nebraska. The Census of 1930 records that Christopher was a farmer and living in Trognitx, Cheyenne County, Nebraska. Bernice and Christopher had two children: Frances Crowell, born about 1925 and Christopher Crowell, born December 1928.⁶⁶ The family moved to Portland, Oregon where in 1947 Bernice divorced Christopher and ten years later married Millard Webb. Christopher died in November 1983⁶⁷ and Millard in 1966⁶⁸ and Bernice in 1996 at the age of 99.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, May 13, 1996, in Wilshire Methodist Church for Bernice Irene Web, who died May 8 at age 99. Mrs. Web was born March 28, 1897, in Oakdale, Neb. Her maiden name was Hibben. She worked as a statement clerk for First National Bank until retiring in 1964. She was married to Chris Crowell from 1915 to 1947 and to Millard Webb from 1957 to 1967: both are deceased. Mrs. Webb is survived by grandsons, Charles and Gordon Miller, and granddaughter, Janette Hoyt, all of Portland; and four great-grandchildren. Private interment will be in Lincoln Memorial Park. Arrangements are by Gateway Little Chapel of the Chimes.⁶⁹



Jesse Joins Brother Charles And The Railroad In The West

Jesse W. Hibben was born August 30, 1865 in Wabash, Indiana. He was the fourth child of Samuel Milhous Hibben and Susan Irene Kunse and attended school in Wabash. It is believed that he joined his older brother, Charles, in Nebraska in about 1888 and was employed by the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley Railroad. Shortly thereafter he met the adopted daughter of a fellow employee, Ellen Fuller Cann, (a.k.a. Nellie) and married her in Missouri Valley, Harrison County, Iowa on June 3, 1890.

Married at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. J. W. Hibben to Miss Nellie Cann, Rev. Thickstun, of Council Bluffs, officiating.

A large number of guests had been invited, but owing to the terrible storm of that evening many of them could not be present to witness the ceremony that made two of our most estimable young people one. The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cann. She has lived in the [Missouri] Valley from childhood, and has a large circle of warm friends among her late school mates and in the social circles of our city, all of whom will wish her a long and pleasant married life. The groom has been a resident of the Valley for several years, being

*employed by the F. E. & M. V. as fireman. He is a noble, honest, upright young man and has a host of friends who will wish that he may be spared all the trials and tribulations that usually fall to the lot of man. The young couple left Wednesday evening for a wedding trip in the east. After their return they will settle down in their new home in Fremont, Neb. J. R. Stubbert, of Connecticut, an uncle of the bride, was present to witness the ceremony, also, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Hibben, of Sioux City, and Mrs. Thos. Searls of Norfolk. Others from abroad failed to reach here owing to the washouts on the railroads.*⁷⁰

Nellie was born March 7, 1872 in Warren, Warren County, Pennsylvania to Robert L. Fuller and Ellen Titus. Robert Burns Cann and Ellen Stubbert were her adoptive parents. Robert Fuller became a resident of Missouri Valley, Iowa in 1868, and was employed by the F., E. & M. V. railroad until his retirement.

*I found a letter from Augusta Fuller Livingston who was Nellie's half-sister explaining to Nellie that the family had been sick with smallpox and Ellen Titus Fuller's sister Amelia Titus Beebe had given her to the Canns to raise. But the real shocker was while visiting the Warren Co. Historical Society, I found letters addressed to a Mrs. Ellen Titus from Augusta Livingston. At first I thought that she was Darius' wife, but she was Nellie's mother. According to the DAR application she died in 1873. She hadn't died then but had taken back her maiden name and was living in Irvine, PA. [She was so badly scared that she became a recluse] Aunt Wisdom had written in her DAR application that Russell Fuller had just disappeared. All the birth/death records had been destroyed in a courthouse fire. In his diary he had written that his life had been threatened because he had preached against the sins of liquor. I found another letter from Augusta Livingston saying she would send money for both her Mother (Ellen Titus) and her Father's (Russell Fuller) headstone. He was alive in the 1870 census. No record since then have I found. In 1897 Augusta Livingston wrote a letter to Nellie in Warren (Irvine). She was at her mother's deathbed. Her mother left Nellie her property.*⁷¹

Jesse and Nellie had four children. Robert Cann Hibben was born March 30, 1892 in Missouri Valley, Harrison County, Iowa.⁷² Anna L. Hibben was born September 1893, in Iowa,⁷³ followed by Evangeline Hibben August 1, 1902, in Fremont, Dodge County, Nebraska,⁷⁴ and Jesse W. Hibben, Jr., July 4, 1904, also in Fremont.⁷⁵

Jesse's certificate of death records that he was a railroad engineer all of his life. His service routes were first based out of Missouri Valley and later Fremont, Nebraska. Life working on the rails was challenging and often dangerous.

[On the reverse of a photograph] This picture was taken in 1887 at the foot of 6th St., Mo. Valley. Iowa with Miles Grover, engineer and J.W. Hibben fireman in the gangway. This switch engine 11 of the S&P Railroad, was the only real switch engine this company ever had. The other engines used as switch engines were old engines with pilots taken off and foot boards put on. This engine had no air brakes and at first had no injectors (?) but water pumps. The biggest part of her was the reverse lever & fire door. When she first came she had no tank but carried her water supply under the running board & her coal supply under the

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*left seat box. I was firing this engine in the blizzard of 1888 and when the storm broke we could not shove three little coaches 1\2 block from where picture was taken and never got engine to round house. The next morning found engine frozen to rails where we left her. We got her loose and then used her to get other engines loose. The round house men came and took care of her though the night and kept her water pipes from freezing. Your father, JW Hibben.*⁷⁶

*RAILROADS - ENGINEER BADLY SINGED. Engineer J. Hibben of Fremont Burned by Firebox Explosion. Engineer Jesse Hibben of Fremont a brother of Engineer C. J. Hibben of Norfolk, was badly burned about the face by the explosion of gases in the firebox of an engine on the Northwestern. Engineer Hibben was starting out on the Fremont Hastings line run on a freight train when the accident happened. The accident necessitated his removal to his home and the calling of a physician. C. J. Hibben has just returned from a run down to Fremont to see his brother who is doing nicely.*⁷⁷

*THE WRECK AT FREMONT. Fremont Tribune: About 1 o'clock Sunday morning west bound Union Pacific train # 61 ran into a Northwestern freight train # 140 at the crossing of the two roads east ????. With slight damage being done to the Union Pacific engine, it knocked four cars out of the Northwestern's train and ditched them completely wrecking two. Luckily, no one was hurt, though both engineer and fireman on the Union Pacific engine stuck to their posts. Both trains were moving slowly as they approached the crossing, and for that reason the wreck was not as disastrous as it might have been. Who was responsible for it, railroad men up to this morning, were unable to say. An investigation is in progress. It is said that the Northwestern had the right-of-way and Engineer Hibben, of that road, says the crossing was open, his train was more than half across before it was hit. Conductor Terrel and Brakemen Walton and Wilkins were in the way car and were given heavy jolt when the crash came. The crossing is controlled by interlocking machinery which should have applied the Union Pacific a signal and then ditched the train before it could cause a collision on the crossing. As a result of the wreck trains on both roads were delayed yesterday. The Northwestern, which hurried a wrecker to the scene from Missouri Valley, was unable to use its Lincoln line until 10 o'clock Sunday morning.*⁷⁸

NINE INJURED IN COLLISION, Wahoo, Neb., Jan. 4. Nine people were injured when the Chicago & Northwestern local running between Lincoln and Fremont and south bound freight train No. 41 came together in a head-on collision in the north Wahoo yards shortly before 6 o'clock Wednesday evening. The fuel oil caught fire and the Wahoo fire department was called. By uncoupling the baggage car and two passenger coaches and shoving them back sixty feet, they were saved from the flames. The list of injured as compiled late Wednesday night: J. W. Hibben, engineer of the passenger train, leg wrenched and bad cuts. . . .The freight train engine, much larger than the one attached to the passenger, climbed upon the smaller locomotive. . . .Engineer Hibben and Brakemen Hopkins were the two most seriously injured. . . .Fireman Hage in the passenger engine cab was

the first to see the approaching freight. It was then three car lengths ahead. "I yelled to Engineer Hibben to jump and I half jumped and was half hurled from the engine. . . .The unofficial report laid the blame on the freight train crew. The passenger had the right-of-way and according to the general report, the freight train had no right attempting to enter Wahoo on the track designed for use of the passenger."⁷⁹

WOMAN DEAD HIT BY TRAIN, Mrs. Josie Corning, Lincoln, Instantly Killed. Struck by Northwestern Passenger Train On North Twenty-seventh Street--Her Home at 1923 North Twenty-ninth. Mrs. Josie Corning, fifty-two years old, who lives at 1923 North Twenty-ninth street was instantly killed about 4 p. m. Wednesday when she was struck by Chicago & Northwestern passenger train No. 28 at the intersection of the Northwestern and Rock Island tracks near Twenty-seventh and X streets. The train had left the depot at 4 p. m. for Fremont and was going about twenty miles an hour when the accident occurred according to F.T. McKinstry, 2010 S street, the only Lincoln man who witnessed the scene. The train was in charge of Conductor A. B. Lane, J. W. Hibben was engineer and G. W. Anderson, fireman. All the trainmen are from Fremont. Mrs. Corning, according to Mr. McKinstry, was gathering grass along the tracks and putting it in a sack to use to feed some pigs. She was walking along between the Rock Island and Burlington Tracks, which run parallel at this point and where the Northwestern tracks intersect both railroads. . . .⁸⁰

At age 64 in 1930 Jesse's employment was still listed in the Census as locomotive engineer. Nellie died August 4, 1934 in Fremont, Nebraska and is buried in the Rose Hill Cemetery, Missouri Valley, Harrison County, Iowa.⁸¹ Nellie's parents are buried in the same lot. After retirement, photographic records place Jesse in California and Washington, DC visiting family. One photograph records four generations of the Hibben family: Jesse, Robert C., Robert R., and Margaret L. Jesse died sixteen years later on May 3, 1950 at Bailey's Sanitarium in Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. He had been an inmate of the institution for three years before passing away at the age of 84.⁸² He is buried next to Nellie at Rose Hill Cemetery.⁸³

Additional Information About The Children Of Jesse And Nellie

Robert Cann Hibben and his issue are the subject of Chapter III, Generation 6.1.

It is not known how Anna Louise Hibben met and where she married Stuart Luther Dutton on May 18, 1917. Stuart was seventeen years older than Anna and was the divorced father of four children. He and his first wife, Lalla Boyer, had homesteaded in the Sand Hills of South Cherry County, Nebraska before moving to Mullen, Hooker County, Nebraska in 1910. The Census of 1920 places Anna and Stuart in Mullen where he was the county sheriff.⁸⁴ Anna and Stuart had two boys: Neal Jesse Dutton, born September 28, 1920,⁸⁵ and Wilbur E. Dutton, born April 6, 1927. He died December 13, 1958 in Mullen.

Stuart Luther Dutton, son of William Thompson and Emily Mize Dutton, was born on May 20, 1876, in Smith County, near Rural Retreat, Virginia. He passed away at the Pioneer Memorial Community Hospital at Mullen, Nebraska, on December 13, 1958, at the age of 82 years, 8 months and 23 days. He came to Madison

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County Nebraska, in the late 1890's and was united in marriage with Lalla Boyer on March 4, 1900. In 1900 they moved to South Cherry County and homesteaded the place now owned by C. N. Boyer. Four children were born to this union. They moved to Mullen in 1910 and he operated a livery barn and served as County Sheriff for ten years. He was united in marriage with Anna Louise Hibben, May 18, 1917. Two children were born to this union. In 1922 he became a partner in the grocery store of which he remained an owner or part owner until two years ago when he retired from active management, although he was on the job every day until his fatal illness struck. He leaves to mourn his passing his wife Anna L. Dutton as well as five sons and one daughter: Robert t. of San Francisco, Calif.; Clarence W. of Los Angeles, Calif.; Lewis H. of Rivera, Calif.; Neal J. of Mullen and Marvin E. of Santa Rosa, Calif.; and one daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Hood of Huntington Park, Calif. He also leaves 10 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren. Mr. Dutton was a charter member of Mullen Lodge No. 282, AF & AM, and served as Master in 1945. He became a member of the Methodist Church as a child and practiced His teachings until the end. Funeral services were held at the First Methodist church in Mullen, Tuesday, December 16 . . . CARD OF THANKS We wish to thank all of those who made it easier for our father in his last illness and the family at the time of his death. The flowers, memorial fund contributions, visitations at the hospital, food, words of encouragement, acts of kindness, the doctor, nurses and nurses aides made it easier for him during his illness and for his family after his passing. Anna L. Dutton; Mr. & Mrs. Robert T. Dutton and Family; Clarence W. Dutton; Mr. & Mrs. Rollo Hood and Family; Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Dutton and Family; Mr. & Mrs. Neal J. Dutton and Jay; Mrs. & Mrs. Marvin E. Dutton and Stuart Norman.⁸⁶

Neal Jesse Dutton attended Midland College in Fremont, Nebraska before serving in the US Army Air force from 1942 to 1946. He met Marjory Eileen Crispin when she was employed at the Department of Defense and he was visiting his uncle, Robert Cann Hibben, in Washington, DC. They were married at her home in Danville, Vermillion County, Illinois. They returned to Mullen where they both helped run the family grocery store. Also, Neal was employed as a clerk by the U. S. Postal Service. He died of cancer at the age of forty-three.

NEAL J. DUTTON, 43, DIES AT KEARNEY ON FRIDAY Neal J. Dutton, 43, Mullen grocer and postal employee, died on Friday, April 3 at the Good Samaritan hospital in Kearney after being hospitalized for five weeks following surgery. The immediate cause of death was cancer. Funeral services were held on Sunday, April 5 at 2:00 p.m. from the St Joseph's Episcopal church in Mullen, with the Rev. John L. Hall officiating. . . Interment was in the Cedarview cemetery at Mullen, with Mullen Lodge No. 282, A.F. & A.M. in charge of graveside rites, assisted by Marcy Upton Post 109 of the American Legion. Neal Jesse Dutton, son of Stuart L. and Anna L. Dutton, was born at Mullen on September 28, 1920. He was preceded in death by his father in 1958. With the exception of attending two and one-half years of grade school in Fremont, he attended grade school and high school in Mullen. He graduated in 1938 and received one of the first Regent's Scholarships given at the local school. He was awarded a church school scholarship and attended Midland college at Fremont

from 1938 to 1941. He entered the Army Air Force in September, 1942 and served on Guam before receiving his discharge in 1946. On July 10, 1946 he was united in marriage to Marjory Eileen Crispin at Danville, Ill. They returned to Mullen. One son, Neal Jay was born to this union. Mr. Dutton was associated with the grocery business his entire life, with the exception of a short while driving a truck in 1941-42, and the time he spent in the service. He was a star route mail carrier from 1947 to 1953 and was a substitute postal clerk until his appointment as a regular clerk on March 17, 1962, a position he held at the time of his death. He was baptized in 1950 in the Episcopal church at Eclipse by Bishop Howard R. Brinker and was confirmed a short while later. He was Master of Mullen Lodge No. 282, A.F. & A.M. in 1954 and served as secretary from 1956 until his death. He was Worthy Patron of Winifred Chapter No. 292, O.E.S. in 1961. He was also a member of Palestine Commandry No. 13, Knights Templar at North Platte. He was a member of Marcy Upton Post 109 of the American Legion and of the United Federation of Postal Clerks. He served as president of the Mullen Commercial Club in 1961. Survivors include his wife and son; his mother; one brother, Marvin of Pacifica, Calif.; three half brothers; Robert of Columbus, Ga., Clarence of Los Angeles and Lewis of Azusa, Calif.; one half-sister, Myrtle Hood of Huntington Park, Cal. Among those attending the funeral were Marvin Dutton, Mrs. Charles Crispin and Mrs. Norman Kienast of Danville, Ill., Dr. and Mrs. Melvin Hoyt of North Platte, Mrs. Oscar York of Lusk, Wyo., Mrs. Evangel Wisdom of Kimball and Mrs. Bill Milldyke of Ames, Ia.⁸⁷

Marjory and his son, Neal 'Jay' Dutton, continued to manage the family business. Anna had been ill for some time and soon after her son's death, was judged incompetent.⁸⁸ She was hospitalized much of the rest of her life. Anna died in 1975 and is buried with Stuart and Neal in Cedarview Cemetery in Mullen. Marjory joined them there in 2005.

MRS. ANNA DUTTON, 82, DIES ON OCTOBER 14 Mrs. Anna Dutton, 82, who with her late husband started Dutton's Store in Mullen, died Tuesday, October 14 at a Hastings hospital. Funeral services were held Friday morning, October 17 from the United Methodist Church in Mullen with the Rev. Harry Walles officiating. . . Interment was in the Cedarview cemetery at Mullen. The daughter of Jesse W. and Nellie Cann Hibben, Anna Loretta [Louise] Dutton was born at Missouri Valley, Iowa on September 16, 1893 and died at the age of 82 years and 28 days. She grew up at Fremont and graduated from Fremont high school. She attended Peru Normal and taught for several years in Dodge county before coming to Mullen in 1917. She was married to Stuart L. Dutton on May 18, 1917 at Council Bluffs, Iowa and two children were born to this union. Mrs. Dutton was a charter member and 50-year member of the Eastern Star chapter at Mullen. She helped her husband in the store until their son, Neal, joined his father in the business in 1946. She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Robert Hibben of Washington, D.C.; her husband in 1958; and her son Neal in 1964. Survivors include one son, Marvin of Pacifica, Cal.; one brother, Jesse Hibben of Calimesa, Cal.; one sister, Evangel Wisdom of Beatrice; two grandsons, one great-granddaughter, three step-sons and one step-daughter. A memorial has been established to the Pioneer Memorial Hospital.⁸⁹

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*MARJORY EILEEN DUTTON Mullen -- Marjory Eileen Dutton, 82, of Mullen died Feb. 10, 2005, at Premier Estates in North Platte. She was born Jan. 3, 1923, to Charles and Leonora Hartman Crispin in Detroit. After graduating from high school in Villa Grove, Ill., she passed a civil service exam and worked as a secretary for the Department of Commerce and later for the Defense Department during World War II. During this time she met and married Neil Dutton on July 10, 1946, in Danville, Ill. After the war, they moved to Mullen to run Neil's father's grocery store, operating it until 1977. In 1978 the grocery store was converted into the Rustic Restaurant and Lounge and she was still operating it at the time of her death. Mrs. Dutton was a past worthy matron of Winifred Chapter 292 of the Eastern Star in Mullen. She enjoyed her hobbies of needlework, puzzles and playing bridge with her friends. survivors include a son, Jay of Mullen; two sisters, Evelyn Kienast and Anna Mae Harper, both of Danville; brother Charles (Lois) Crispin of Tucson, Ariz., two granddaughters, Danell (Thomas) Vietzke Jr., of Green Bay, Wis., and Jaylene (Matthew) Eilenstien of Omaha; and a great-grandson, Thomas Arthur III of Green Bay, Wis. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and two brothers-in-law. Memorials are suggested to the Hooker County Ambulance Fund. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the United Methodist Church in Mullen with the Rev. Lila Picton officiating. Burial will be in the Cedarview Cemetery in Mullen.*⁹⁰

As a young woman Evangel Hibben demonstrated musical talent. She was a pianist and music teacher.

*University School of Music. Evangel Hibben, student with Edith Burlingim Ross, will give her senior organ recital in the First Baptist church, Monday evening, February 16. Her program follows: Bach, Toccatta: Baldwin, Sonata, C minor, Op 10; allegro patetico, adagio, allegro assai. - Dunn Pilgrim Suite: Peaceful Days, American Triumphant - Lemare. From the Southland; Rimsky Korsakoff, Chanson Indoue; Ruinstein - Lemare, Reve Angeluque - Guilmant, Marche Religiense.*⁹¹

*Two talented students in piano of Herbert Schmidt, Evangel Hibben and Ruth Meisenbach, appeared in recitals Friday evening at the First Christian church, for graduation from the University School of Music. Miss Hibben's program occupied the hour from 8 to 9, and Miss Meisenbach's from 9 to 10. The greater part of the audience remained for both performances. The striking feature of Miss Hibben's playing was the virility of the performance and clearness of the technic. Her touch was fine and several of the numbers fairly sparkled in the runs. Her program follows: Boursee. Bach-Saint-Saens; Sonata, E flat, Hayden - Polonaise, C minor, Nocturne, G minor, Waltz, F major, Chopin - Scherzo, E major, Martucci; Impromptu, Op. 142, No. 4, Schubert.*⁹²

Miss Evangel Hibben of Fremont will succeed Prof. F. L. Shoemaker as instructor of piano and organ in the Midland college school of fine arts, Dr. H. F. Martin, Midland's president, has announced. Miss Hibben is a graduate of the University

*School of Music at Lincoln, she having received her bachelor of music degree from that institution in 1925.*⁹³

Evangeline Hibben married Dr. Orville C. Wisdom on March 9, 1928 in Fremont, Dodge County, Nebraska.⁹⁴ Her husband was twenty years her senior. No record of children has been found. The Census taker in 1930 found them living on East Third Street in Kimball, Kimball County, Nebraska where Orville was a court house attorney.⁹⁵ On December 18, 1975, Evangeline filed an application with the Daughters of the American Revolution, documenting Thomas Hibben's (1760-1833) participation. She used her knowledge of the descendants of Thomas' son, John, as evidence.⁹⁶ Evangeline stated in the application that she was a widow, and her obituary indicates that only her brother, Jesse W. Hibben survived her.

*Evangel Wisdom, 81, 413 N. Fifth St., died Tuesday Feb. 14, 1984, in a Beatrice hospital. Born Aug. 1, 1902, at Fremont. Lived in Kimball where she taught music in her home. Moved to P.E.O. Home, Beatrice, in 1968. Member of First Presbyterian Church, Cosgrove Music Club, and DAR. Past Worthy Matron of Truth Chapter 262, OES, Kimball. Survivor: brother, Jesse W. Hibben, Pomona, Calif. . . .Burial: Kimball Cemetery.*⁹⁷

Jesse W. Hibben, Jr. grew up in Fremont, Madison County, Nebraska and married Ethel B. Metcalf about 1827. A daughter, Clarabell Hibben was born May 28, 1928 in Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska.⁹⁸ The family moved to Glendale, California where, in 1936, on his Social Security Application, he indicated he was married, was thirty-two and was working for Adohr Milk Farms. The Social Security Death Index records his death at the age of 89, February 5, 1944 at Medford, Jackson County, Oregon.⁹⁹ Clarabell married Ken Sorgatz on January 24, 1947 in Glendale, California and they had three daughters. She died May 29, 2002 in Talent, Jackson County, Oregon.

*CLAIR [Clarabell] SORGATZ The memorial service for Claire Sorgatz will be at 11 a.m. Sunday at the Mountain View Estates Community Building, 33 Mountain View, Talent. Mrs. Sorgatz, 74, of Talent, died May 29, 2002, at her home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, P. O. Box 698, Medford, OR 97501. She was born May 26, 1928, in Omaha, Neb., to Jesse W. and Ethel B. (Metcalf) Hibben. On Jan. 24, 1947, in Glendale, Calif., she married Kenn Sorgatz, who survives. Mrs. Sorgatz worked in the banking industry. She enjoyed sewing, swimming and gardening. Survivors, in addition to her husband, include three daughters, Karen Thomas, Walnut, Calif., Judy Bott, Scottsdale, Ariz., and Teri Wordlow, Old Shasta, Calif.; her mother, Ethel B. Hibben, Medford; and two grandchildren. Arrangements: Conger-Morris Funeral Directors, Medford.*¹⁰⁰

Ethel survived her daughter by several years, passing on May 12, 2005 in Walnut, Los Angeles County, California at the age of 97.¹⁰¹

Generation 5.3 End Notes:

¹ Survived Loretta's death in 1915.

² US Census 1900, T623-410, enumeration 126, sheet 9, line 6, Paw Paw Township, Wabash County, Indiana.

³ *Indiana Marriage Records Index, 1845-1920*, volume II, book 9, page 347.

- ⁴ Ibid.
- ⁵ US Census 1900, T623-410, enumeration 126, sheet 9, line 6, Paw Paw Twp., Wabash County, IN; US Census 1910, T624-386, page 8B, enumeration 160, Paw Paw, Wabash County, IN
- ⁶ Unknown newspaper, Wabash, Wabash County, Indiana, obituary, October 29, 1915.
- ⁷ California Death Records, 1940 – 1997, “b. 4 Oct 1898 IN, d. 25 Oct 1984, Orange, CA (middle name - Jesse), age 86, mother – Hibben.”
- ⁸ US Census 1900, T623-703, page 7B, enumeration 70, Niles, Berrien County, Michigan.
- ⁹ Indiana Marriages, 1780-1992, Indexing project M00422-7, System origin Indiana-EASy, source film 1993182, page 35, No. 1. “Groom - Verne H. Holderman [Halderman], b. 1880 Ruanno [Roann, Wabash Co., IN], age 24, single, white, father - L. A. Holderman, mother - Etta Hibben, Bride - Orpha Maude Swearinger, b. 1883 St. Joseph, Ill, 21, single, white, father Chas. E. Swearinger, mother - Emma Mitchel, married 21 Sep 1904, Logansport, Cass.”
- ¹⁰ US Census 1910, T624-342, page 19B, enumeration 30, Logansport Ward 5, Cass County, Indiana.
- ¹¹ Online Draft Registration Card, September 12, 1917.
- ¹² US Census 1930, T626-579, page 1B, enumeration 22, Logansport, Cass County, Indiana.
- ¹³ *Indiana Marriage Records Index, 1845-1920*, volume II, book 6, page 318, December 19, 1883; Indiana Marriages, 1780-1992, Indexing project M00164-3, System origin Indiana-EASy, Source film 2108434, reference 442. “Groom - John Walker Laviolett, b. 18 Nov 1889 Sioux City, Iowa, father - J E Violett [LaViolette], mother - Isabella Y Walker, Bride - Beulah Etta Hibben, b. 17 Dec 1889 Sioux City, Iowa, father - Edward K Hibben, mother - Louella Stevens, married - 11 Jan 1914 Anderson, Madison Co., Indiana.”
- ¹⁴ On-line Draft Registration Card, June 5, 1917, electronic, <<http://www.militaryindexes.vom/worldwarone>>
- ¹⁵ US Census 1900, T623-703, enumeration 70, page 7B, Niles City, Berrien County, Michigan.
- ¹⁶ US Census 1910, T624-364, enumeration 113, sheet 1, line 1, Monroe Township, Alexandria City, Madison County, Indiana.
- ¹⁷ US Census 1920, T625-439, enumeration 108, sheet 4, line 99, household 109, Warsaw, Kosciusko County, Indiana; US Census 1930-626-598, enumeration 30, page 3B, Winona Lake, Kosciusko, County, Indiana.
- ¹⁸ US Census 1930, T626-161, enumeration 668, page 2A, Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California; Social Security Death Index, #551-03-7797.
- ¹⁹ Department of Health, Kosciusko County, Indiana, book CH-8, page 99.
- ²⁰ *Anderson Daily Bulletin*, Anderson, Kosciusko County, Indiana, July 23, 1940, page 25.
- ²¹ *Indiana Marriage Records Index, 1845-1920*, electronic, Madison County, book 26, page 442, fiche 4069.
- ²² On-line Draft Registration Card, [Note 11].
- ²³ US Census 1930, T626-161, enumeration 668, page 2A, Los Angeles, Los Angeles Co., California.
- ²⁴ California Death Records, 1940-1997, electronic, <<http://userdb.rootsweb.com/ca/death/search.cgi>>.
- ²⁵ *Indiana Marriage Records, 1845-1920*, electronic, St. Joseph’s County, Indiana.
- ²⁶ *WPA Birth Records*, Kosciusko County, Indiana, book CH5, page 87.
- ²⁷ Social Security Death Index, #306-20-7646; *Fort Wayne Sentinel*, September 29, 2005.
- ²⁸ US Census 1930, T626-598, enumeration 30, page 3B, Winona Lake, Kosciusko County, Indiana.
- ²⁹ *Administrator and Executor Reports*, Kosciusko County, Indiana, book 19, page 239.
- ³⁰ *Warsaw Times Union*, Warsaw, Kosciusko County, Indiana, May 13, 1957.
- ³¹ California Death Records, 1940 – 1997, [Note 24].
- ³² US Census 1880, T9-315, enumeration 192, sheet 41, line 2, Fisher Street, Wabash, Noble Township, Wabash, Indiana.
- ³³ *Indiana Marriage Records Index, 1845-1920*, [Note 3], volume II, book 7, page 296; Indiana Marriages, 1780-1992, Indexing project M00246-5, System origin Indiana-EASy, source film 1845555, page 296. “Groom - Charles J. Hibben, Bride - Luella Skoouse [Koonse], marriage - 19 Dec 1887 Goshen, Elkhart Co., Indiana.” (Note: The spelling of her name is not consistent; Kunse/Kounse/Koonse/Kountze. Koonse is used in this narrative.)
- ³⁴ California Death Records, [Note 15].
- ³⁵ US Census 1900, T623-934, enumeration 128, sheet 20, line 67, Norfolk, Norfolk Township., Madison County, Nebraska; Death Certificate, Madison County, Nebraska, #67 14193.
- ³⁶ Social Security Application, #708-07-7295, issued February 23, 1937.
- ³⁷ Ibid., #508-18-7455, issued May 12, 1941.

- ³⁸ US Census 1900, T623-934, enumeration 128, sheet 20, line 67, Norfolk, Norfolk Township., Madison County, Nebraska.
- ³⁹ *The Norfolk Weekly News-Journal*, obituary, May 27, 1904.
- ⁴⁰ US Census 1910, T624-851, enumeration 141, page 15A, Norfolk, Norfolk County, Nebraska.
- ⁴¹ *The Norfolk Weekly News-Journal*, [Note 39], April 10, 1908.
- ⁴² *Ibid.*, Aug. 7, 1908.
- ⁴³ US Census 1930, T626-1288, enumeration 19, page 13A, Norfolk, Madison County, Nebraska.
- ⁴⁴ California Voter Registration Records 1900-1968, Orange County, 1940, electronic.
- ⁴⁵ California Death Records, 1940-1997, [Note 24].
- ⁴⁶ On-line Draft Registration Cards, [Note 11].
- ⁴⁷ Madison County, Nebraska Honor Roll, electronic, <www.rootsweb.com/~nemadiso/wwivets/pages/mchr0121.htm>
- ⁴⁸ Hillcrest Cemetery, Omaha, Nebraska, tombstone inscription: Stephanie Eleanor Brader Hibben – Wife of Roy M. Hibben, May 17, 1892 – July 2, 1919; Stephanie’s first marriage was to Arthur Nicks.
- ⁴⁹ US Census 1920, T625-987, enumeration 14, sheet 7, line 91, 2860 Bristol St., Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska.
- ⁵⁰ *Who’s Who in Nebraska, 1940 - Douglas County*, <<http://rootsweb.com/~nedougla/html/douglas7.htm>>
- ⁵¹ US Census 1930, T626-1278, enumeration 122, page 80B, Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska.
- ⁵² California Death Records, [Note 18].
- ⁵³ Marriage Certificate, Madison County, Nebraska, September 21, 1920.
- ⁵⁴ Kathryn J. Schwartz, electronic, <kathrynjoyces@hotmail.com>
- ⁵⁵ Death Certificate, Madison County, Nebraska, #67 14193.
- ⁵⁶ Social Security Death Index, #505-50-5017.
- ⁵⁷ Madison County, Nebraska, Honor Roll, [Note 41].
- ⁵⁸ California Voter Registration Records 1900-1968, San Bernardino County, 1952, 1958, 1960, 1963, 1964.
- ⁵⁹ California Death Records, [Note 18].
- ⁶⁰ Madison County, Nebraska, Honor Roll, [Note 41].
- ⁶¹ US Census 1930, T626-1274, enumeration 32, page 2A, Omaha City, Douglas County, Nebraska.
- ⁶² Jean Edwards, electronic, rogerb@cw.com “My step-grandfather was Wilbur O. Hibben.”
- ⁶³ Social Security Application, #508-18-7435, issued May 12, 1941.
- ⁶⁴ California Death Records, [Note 18].
- ⁶⁵ *Ibid.*
- ⁶⁶ US Census 1930, T626-1269, enumeration 20, page 1B, Trognitz, Cheyenne County, Nebraska.
- ⁶⁷ Social Security Death Index, #505-20-1986.
- ⁶⁸ *Ibid.* #542-26-7894.
- ⁶⁹ *The Oregonian*, Portland, Oregon, obituary, May 12, 1996.
- ⁷⁰ *Missouri Valley Times*, Missouri Valley, Harrison County, Iowa, June 1890.
- ⁷¹ Documented by Ann Radford Hibben Furst.
- ⁷² Birth Certificate, #3132 for the year ending October 1, 1892, Harrison County, Iowa.
- ⁷³ US Census 1900, T623-922, enumeration 90, sheet 10, line 74, 621 E. 3rd Street, Fremont, Dodge County, Nebraska.
- ⁷⁴ US Census 1920, T625-986, enumeration 112, sheet 2, line 45, East 5th Street, Fremont, Dodge County, Nebraska.
- ⁷⁵ Social Security Application, #549-01-1401, issued November 24, 1936.
- ⁷⁶ Photograph and text on reverse in possession of Ann Radford Hibben Furst.
- ⁷⁷ *Norfolk Weekly News-Journal*, [Note 33], Jan. 31, 1908.
- ⁷⁸ *Ibid.*, Nov. 13, 1908.
- ⁷⁹ Nebraska State Journal, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, Jan. 5, 1922.
- ⁸⁰ *Ibid.*, Oct. 18, 1923
- ⁸¹ Cemetery inscription, Rose Hill Cemetery, Missouri Valley, Harrison County, Iowa, NELLIE C. HIBBEN Mar 7 1872 - Aug 4 1934.

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- ⁸² Death Certificate, State of Nebraska, #50-005141, May 5, 1950; National Society Sons of the American Revolution, application by Robert Radford Hibben, national number 109800, State (Virginia) number 3524, certificate issued February 19, 1976.
- ⁸³ Cemetery inscription, Rose Hill Cemetery, Missouri Valley, Harrison County, Iowa, JESSE W. HIBBEN Aug 30 1865 - May 3 1950.
- ⁸⁴ US Census 1920, T625-992, page 187, line 88, Mullen, Hooker County, Nebraska.
- ⁸⁵ Social Security Death Index. #506-14-1666.
- ⁸⁶ *Hooker County Tribune*, Mullen, Hooker County, Nebraska, obituary, December 18, 1958.
- ⁸⁷ *Ibid.*, obituary, April 8, 1964, page 1.
- ⁸⁸ *Ibid.*, legal notices, May 28, June 4, June 11, 1964.
- ⁸⁹ *Ibid.*, obituary, October 23, 1975.
- ⁹⁰ *North Platte Telegraph*, *North Platte*, Lincoln County, Nebraska.
- ⁹¹ *Nebraska State Journal*, [Note 73], February 15, 1925.
- ⁹² *Ibid.*, April 18, 1925.
- ⁹³ *The Lincoln Star*, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, February 6, 1927.
- ⁹⁴ National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, national number 544947, approved September 20, 1977
- ⁹⁵ US Census 1930, T626-1284, enumeration 1, page 4B, Antelope Township, Kimball County, Nebraska.
- ⁹⁶ National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, [Note 88].
- ⁹⁷ *Beatrice Daily Sun*, Beatrice, Gage County, Nebraska, February 16, 1984, obituary; Social Security Application, #505-40-2959.
- ⁹⁸ US Census 1930, T626-1272, enumeration 161, page 30A, Omaha City, Douglas County, Nebraska.
- ⁹⁹ California Death Records, [Note 18].
- ¹⁰⁰ *Mail Tribune*, South Oregon Edition, obituary, June 29, 2002.
- ¹⁰¹ Social Security Death Index, #565-03-4908.