

# TUSCANIA

**Avery, Harvey Jonah**  
**1889/1890 NY – 1962 NY**

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| AVERY HARVEY J        |              | 25-62        | Xc/9697487 |
| Corp 213th Aero Sqdn. |              | K            |            |
| Katonah, N.Y.         |              | A 3 140 004  |            |
| Ssn 250 120           | Died 1-25-62 | T 664 167 F  |            |
| Born 10/21/89         |              | R            |            |
| Enl 12/10/17          | Dis 6/10/19  | Cl 2 690 509 |            |

U. S. VETERANS BUREAU  
 MAIL AND RECORDS  
 FORM 7802

INDEX CARD

GPO 2-12800

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|--|---------------------------|------------------|--|--------------------------|---|
| Avery  |                           | Harvey J         |  | White                    |   |
| (Surname)  |                           | (Christian name) |  | (Race: White or colored) |   |
| Katonah  |                           | NEW YORK         |  |                          |   |
| (Street and house number)                          |                           | (Town or city)   |  | (State)                  |   |
| * Enlisted in                                      | RA Mineola L I N Y        |                  | Dec 10/17  |                          | — |
| † Born in  | Katonah N Y               |                  | 28 2/12 yrs  |                          | — |
| Organizations:                                     | 213 Aer Sq Sig C to disch |                  |  |                          | — |
| Grades:  |                           |                  |  |                          |   |
| Pvt 1cl Jan 5/18; Corp Nov 1/18; Cfr May 1/19      |                           |                  |  |                          |   |
| Engagements:                                       |                           |                  |  |                          |   |
| Wounds or other injuries received in action: None. |                           |                  |  |                          |   |
| ‡ Served overseas:                                 | Jan 24/18 to May 31/19    |                  |  |                          | — |
| § Hon. disch.                                      | June 10/19                |                  | on demobilization  |                          | — |
| Was reported                                       | 0                         |                  | per cent disabled on date of discharge, in view of occupation. |                          | — |
| Remarks:   |                           |                  |  |                          |   |

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New York Army Card: serial number blank, residence: Katonah NY. Enlisted Mineola, Long Island NY 10 Dec 1917 at 28 years 2 months old. Born Katonah NY. 213<sup>th</sup> Aer Sq Sig C to discharge. Made private 1<sup>st</sup> class 5 Jan 1918, corporal 1 Nov 1918, chauffeur 1 May 1919. Overseas 24 Jan 1918 to 31 May 1919. Discharged 10 Jun 1919, 0% disabled.

**HARVEY J. AVERY**  
**Retired Auto Dealer**  
**KATONAH—**

Harvey J. Avery, who formerly operated an auto sales firm in Katonah for many years, died Thursday night at his home on Mt. Holly Road. He was 72 years old.

A life-long resident of Katonah, Mr. Avery retired from his auto dealership several years ago and was a member of the Katonah Fire Department and the American Legion Post here. He was an Army veteran of World War I.

Surviving is his brother, Holly J. Avery of the home address.

Obituary – “White Plains (NY) Reporter Dispatch” Saturday 27 Jan 1962 p 2

| WW I   |  | WW II   |  | KOREA  |  | ORIGINAL                       |  |
|--|--|---|--|--|--|--------------------------------|--|
| 1. NAME OF DECEASED - LAST - FIRST - MIDDLE (Print or Type)<br><b>Avery, Harvey J.</b> |  |   |  | 14. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (City and State)<br><b>Bedford Union Cem. Bedford NY</b>   |  |                                |  |
| 2. SERVICE NUMBER<br><b>250120</b>   |  | 3. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NUMBER   |  | IMPORTANT: Item 18 on reverse side must be completed. See attached instructions and complete and submit both copies.   |  |                                |  |
| 4. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, day, year)<br><b>12-10-1917</b>                             |  | 5. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, day, year)<br><b>6-10-1919</b> <i>HON</i>                                 |  | 15. This application is submitted for a stone or marker for the unmarked grave of a deceased member or former member of the Armed Forces of the U. S., soldier of the Union or Confederate Armies of the Civil War or for an unmarked memorial plot for a non-recoverable deceased member. I hereby agree to accept responsibility for proper placement at the grave or memorial plot at no expense to the Government. |  |                                |  |
| 6. STATE<br><b>New York</b>  |  | 7. MEDALS   |  | NAME OF APPLICANT (Print or Type)<br><b>Holly G. Avery</b>   |  | RELATIONSHIP<br><b>brother</b> |  |
| 8. GRADE OR RANK<br><b>Cpt. CHAUFFEUR</b>  |  | 9. BRANCH OF SERVICE, COMPANY, REGIMENT, DIVISION<br><b>213 Aero Sqd. ASA</b><br><i>Air Service</i> |  | ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Street address, City and State)<br><b>Mt. Holly Rd. Katonah NY</b>   |  |                                |  |
| 10. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year)<br><b>10-21-1889</b>                              |  | 11. DATE OF DEATH (Month, day, year)<br><b>1-25-62</b>  |  | SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT<br><i>Holly G. Avery</i>  |  | DATE<br><b>1-29-62</b>         |  |
| 12. RELIGIOUS EMBLEM (Check one)   |  | 13. CHECK TYPE REQUIRED   |  | 16. FREIGHT STATION<br><b>Mt. Kisco NY</b>   |  |                                |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LATIN CROSS (Christian)                                       |  | <input type="checkbox"/> UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE   |  | 17. NAME OF CONSIGNEE WHO WILL TRANSPORT STONE OR MARKER<br><b>Clark Associates Inc.</b>   |  |                                |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> STAR OF DAVID (Hebrew)  |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FLAT MARBLE MARKER  |  | ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE (Street address, City and State)<br><b>4 Woodsbridge Rd. Katonah NY</b>   |  |                                |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO EMBLEM  |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FLAT GRANITE MARKER   |  | <b>4 WOODSBIDGE RD, KATONAH NY</b>   |  |                                |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FLAT BRONZE MARKER  |  |   |  | I HAVE AGREED TO TAKE THE STONE OR MARKER TO THE CEMETERY.   |  |                                |  |
| DO NOT WRITE HERE  |  |   |  | SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE<br><i>Emily J. Clark Sec. Treas.</i>  |  |                                |  |
| FOR VERIFICATION<br><b>FEB 2 1962</b>  |  | ORDERED<br><b>FEB 23 1962</b>   |  |  |  |                                |  |
| B/L<br><b>B 3094627</b>  |  | CONTRACTOR<br><b>H. E. FLETCHER CO., INC.</b><br><i>WEST CHELMSFORD, MASS.</i>                      |  |  |  |                                |  |
| <b>CHAUFFEUR 213 AERO SQ / WW I</b>  |  |   |  |  |  |                                |  |

DD FORM 1330, 1 AUG 60 REPLACES DA FORM 1815, APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE OR MARKER Form Approved Budget Bureau No. 22-R205

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 Headstone application: serial 250120, enlisted 10 Dec 1917, discharged 10 Jun 1919, entered from NY, chauffeur, 213<sup>th</sup> Aero, b. 21 Oct 1889, d. 25 Jun 1962, no symbol (i.e. no cross or star of David), flat granite, for Bedford Union Cemetery. Applicant: brother Holly G. Avery, Mount Holly Rd., Katonah NY

Life:

**New York Men Aboard Tuscania**  
 Harvey Avery, private; Gideon H. Avery, father, Katonah, N. Y.

"New York Tribune" Friday 8 Feb 1918 p 2

**LEWISBORO**  
 CAMP. EDNA W. to HARVEY J. AVERY (W. R. Kellogg) Sept. 29 for \$1000 on lot 14 Amended Map Lake Kitchawan Park, Section No. 1.

“Mount Vernon (NY) Argus” Friday 3 Oct 1930 p 4

**Siblings:**

**HOLLY AVERY  
Beekeeper**

**KATONAH—**

Holly Avery of Mount Holly Road died Sunday at his home. He was 74.

He was a lifelong resident of Katonah and was a beekeeper. He was a member of the Bedford-Farmer's Club and the Presbyterian Church of Katonah.

He was the son of the late Gideon and Marietta Avery. He is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Obituary of brother Holly Gideon Avery (1898-1973) “White Plains (NY) Reporter Dispatch”  
Thursday 20 Sep 1973 p 20

**Abbreviations:**

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave ([www.findagrave.org](http://www.findagrave.org))

NOK = next-of-kin

**Name: Harvey Jonah Avery**

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: 213th Aero Squadron – private (PFC according to NY Army Card)

Serial number: 250,120

Entered service from: Katonah, Westchester NY

Sailed on “Tuscania” as: Harvey Avery

Next-of-kin on “Tuscania”: father Gideon H. Avery, Katonah NY

Returned from war on: "Louisville" May 1919



Sailed on return ship as: Harvey J. Avery

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father Gideon (indexed: Cideon) Avery, Katonah NY (chauffeur, 213th Aero Sq)

World War I draft registration (1917): b. 21 Oct 1890 Katonah NY; res: Katonah NY. Single. Foreman, G.H. Avery, Katonah NY

National Tuscania Survivors Association 1939 roster: Katonah NY

World War II draft registration (1942): b. 21 Oct 1890 Katonah NY; res: Mount Holly Rd., Katonah, Westchester NY. NOK Mrs. Marietta Avery, Mount Holly Rd., Katonah NY. Self-employed. Mole over left eye.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 10 Dec 1917

Discharged 10 Jun 1919

Address: Katonah, Westchester NY

Rank/unit: corporal, 213<sup>th</sup> Aero Sqdn

#### Birth & death:

Born: 21 Oct 1890 Katonah, Westchester NY (WWI & WWII draft registrations) – tombstone & Veterans Administration Master Index: 21 Oct 1889 (or born Cross River, Westchester NY)

Died: 25 Jan 1962 Bedford, Westchester NY

Find A Grave record: 86914678, presence on Tuscania noted in flower

Burial location: Bedford, Westchester NY

Cemetery: Union

Tombstone: veteran flat - New York Chauffeur 214 Aero Sq WWI [note on Find A Grave record that unit “214” is an error - he served in 213th Aero Squadron)

Father: Gideon Harvey Avery, 1852 NY – 29 Feb 1928. Son of Harvey W. Avery & Caroline Reynolds. Buried in Union Cemetery, Bedford, Westchester NY.

Find A Grave: 86914660

Mother: Marietta Holly Avery, 1854 NY-1950. Daughter of Jonah Holly & Mary A. Benedict.

Mother of 3 children. Buried in Union Cemetery, Bedford, Westchester NY.

Find A Grave: 87169459

Parents' marriage: ca. 1876

Spouse: reports “never married” in the 1950 census.

Spouse Find A Grave:

Children:

Siblings:

- Aletta Mary Avery, 8 Dec 1876 Bedford, Westchester NY – 1949 Bedford, Westchester NY. Buried in Union Cemetery, Bedford, Westchester NY. F: 86914635

- Holly Gideon Avery, 16 Dec 1898 Westchester Co. NY – 16 Sep 1973 Katonah, Westchester NY. Male. “Holly” was his mother’s maiden name. Buried in Union Cemetery, Bedford, Westchester NY. F: 86914698

Notes:

Wartime:

Post-war:

Obituary:

Social Security Number: 093-05-7222

Censuses:

1900 cannot locate

1905 NY State census – Bedford, Westchester NY – Mount Holly

Gideon H. Avery, 52 US, farmer, married 35 years

Mary E., 50 US, housework, gave birth to 3 children, 3 are living [wife]

Aletta M., 28 US, at home [daughter]

Harvey J., 15 US, at school [son]

Holly G. 6 US,, at home [son]

Mary B. Holly, 72 US [mother-in-law]

1910 Bedford, Westchester NY

Gideon Avery, 57 NY, parents b. NY, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, married 35 years, farmer

Mariette, 55 NY, parents b. NY, gave birth to 3 children, 3 are living [wife]

Eletta, 33 NY [daughter]

Harvey, 20 NY, laborer, home farm [son]

Holly, 11 NY [son]

Mary Holley, 77 NY, parents b. NY, widow, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living [mother-in-law]

1915 NY state census – Bedford, Westchester NY – Holly Rd.

Gideon H. ABERY, 62 US, farmer

Mary E., 60 US, housework

Elleta M., 38 US, housework

Harry J., 25 US, farmer

Holly G., 16 US, at school

& mother-in-law Mary B. Holly, 82 US, parents b. NY, widowed, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living

[all are citizens]

1930 Bedford, Westchester NY – lin 2

Harvey J. Avery, 40 NY, parents b. NY, single, auto salesman, WWI veteran

Boarder with:

William B. Mead, 63 NY, gardener, private home

Cassie Mead, 51 NY

Other boarder is Albert H. Eaves, 39 VA, auto salesman

1930 Bedford, Westchester NY – Harvey's family – at 345 Mount Holly Rd.

Marietta Avery, 75 NY, widow, age 20 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage

Aletta, 53 NY, single [daughter]

Holly, 31 NY [son]

No one has an occupation listed

1940 Bedford, Westchester NY – Valley Road - same house in 1935

Harvey J. (indexed as Harrey J.) Avery, 52 NY, single, garage owner,  
boarder with:

William B. Mead, 71 NY, gardener at private estate

Cassie S. Mead, 60 NY, housework at private estate

1940 Bedford, Westchester NY – for Harvey's family

Marietta Avery, 85 NY, widow

Aleta, 63 NY, single [daughter]

Holly, 41 NY, single, beekeeper, aviary [son]

1950 Bedford, Westchester NY – Valley Rd.

Harvey Avery, 60 NY, never married, mechanic, garage, lodger with:

Fayette & Anna R. Lawrence