

# TUSCANIA

**Bluhm, Bruno Edward**  
**1891/1892 TX – 1975 TX**

Form 15-6  
 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—BUREAU OF THE CENSUS  
 FIFTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1930  
 POPULATION SCHEDULE

Enumeration District No. 146-10 Sheet No. 1 A 188  
 Supervisor's District No. 28  
 Enumerated by me on April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1930, Bruno E. Bluhm, 9751  
on \_\_\_\_\_, 1930, \_\_\_\_\_, Enumerator.  
or name of institution, if any, and indicate the lines on which the entries are made. (See instructions.)

*Bruno Edward Bluhm was the census taker (enumerator) for the 1930 census – and entered himself on this same page for residents of Precinct 8, Refugio County TX. He listed his occupation as “census taker.”*

BLUHM BRUNO EDWARD 202 (10) C 11503413  
 Pvt 361 Cas Co K  
 Austwell Tex A 1 762 730  
 Sn 251 381 Died T 87 632 F  
 Born 9/9/92 R  
 Enl 10/8/17 Dis 4/23/19 Ct. 564 498

U.S. VETERANS BUREAU  
 MAIL AND RECORDS  
 Form 7202

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Bluhm	Brono E	251,381	White	1½
<small>(Surname)</small>	<small>(Christian name)</small>	<small>(Army serial number)</small>	<small>(Race: White or colored)</small>	
Residence: _____				
<small>(Street and house number)</small>	<small>(Town or city)</small>	<small>(County)</small>	<small>(State)</small>	
* Enlisted in <u>Inctd at Refugio Tex</u> — Oct 8/17 —				
† Born in <u>Cuero Tex</u> — 26 1/2 yrs —				
Organizations: —				
165 Dep Brig to July 17/17; Co G 116 Engrs to Sept 24/18; 40 Engrs to disch				
Grades: <u>pvt</u> —				
Engagements: —				
Wounds or other injuries received in action: None. —				
† Served overseas: <u>Jan 24/18 to Mch 25/19</u> —				
§ Hon. disch. <u>Apr 23/19</u> on demobilization —				
Was reported <u>0</u> per cent disabled on date of discharge, in view of occupation.				
Remarks: —				
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; font-size: small;"> <div>Form No. 724-1½, A. G. O. March 12, 1920. 3-7688</div> <div>             * Insert "R. A.", "N. G.", "E. R. C.", "N. A.", as case may be, followed by place and date of enlistment.              † Give dates of departure from and arrival in the United States. § Give date.           </div> <div>             † Give place of birth and date of birth, or age at enlistment.           </div> </div>				

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## Bruno E. Bluhm

Advocate News Service

AUSTWELL — Bruno E. Bluhm, 82, of Austwell, died at 7:05 a.m. Wednesday in a Victoria hospital after a short illness.

Mr. Bluhm had lived in Austwell since 1911. A retired postmaster, postmaster, he owned a drug store for many years in Austwell.

He was born Sept. 9, 1892 in DeWitt County, the son of the late William Bluhm and Dorothea Rabke Bluhm. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Austwell.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the First United Methodist Church in Austwell, with the Rev. Charles H. Simpson and the Rev. Tyson officiating.

Burial will be in the Tivoli Cemetery, with the McCabe-Carruth Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The body will lie in state at the church Friday from 1 p.m. until time for services.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. G. E. Glover Sr. of Tivoli; a brother, R. H. Bluhm of Austwell; and a number of neices and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mrs. Mary Frances Bluhm, who died June 4, 1974.

## Bruno E. Bluhm

VICTORIA — Bruno E. Bluhm, 82, of Austwell, died at 7:05 a.m. Wednesday in a Victoria hospital after a long illness.

He was a retired postmaster and owned a drugstore in Austwell.

Among survivors are a sister, Mrs. G. E. Glover Sr. of Tivoli; and a brother, R. H. Bluhm of Austwell.

McCabe-Carruth Funeral Home, Victoria.

Left: "Victoria (TX) Advocate" Thursday 5 Jun 1975 p 12 and right: Friday 6 Jun 1975 p 12

## U.S., Appointments of U. S. Postmasters, 1832-1971 for Bruno E Bluhm

Texas > Nolan - Stonewall

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Refugio Texas  
(Post Office)

Austwell Established \_\_\_\_\_  
(Post Office) Discontinued \_\_\_\_\_

POSTMASTER	NOMINATED	CONFIRMED	RECEIVED ON ACTING	COMMISSION SIGNED AND MAILED	ASSIGNED CHARGE	CAUSE AND DATE OF VACANCY	REMARKS
William A. Gisher		July 18, 1930	act. p.m.	Aug. 12, 1930	Aug. 16, 1930	Retired 7/31/42	4 th. cl.
Bruno E. Bluhm			Aug. 12, 1942		Aug. 11, 1942		
Mrs. Mary F. Bluhm		Apr. 7, 1943		Apr. 22, 1943	May 7, 1943		Pres. July 1, 1945
Mrs. Mary F. Bluhm	July 17, 1945	July 28, 1945	Sept. 14, 1945	July 30, 1945	Oct. 1, 1948		Rel. July 1, 1948
Mrs. Mary F. Bluhm		July 23, 1948	act. p.m.	Sept. 14, 1948	Sept. 14, 1948	Rel. 8-31-65	
Roy A. Fise			Sept. 3, 1945		Aug. 31, 1945	Resigned 9-17-65	
Miss Audrey L. Nelson					9-17-65		
Name changed from Audrey L. Nelson to Andrew					M. Ware off 01-01-66		
Audrey M. Ware					01-01-66		
Audrey M. Ware	Nov 7, 1967	Nov 7, 1967	Nov 7, 1967	Nov 16, 1967	Nov 17, 1967	Res. 7/3/67	
Mrs. Julia J. Bernal					Apr. 9, 1971		

Bruno & Mary serve as postmasters of Austwell, Refugio Co. TX -

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Life:

**FIVE NEW CHARTERS FILED.**

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**San Antonio Capitalists Incorporate to Operate Hot Wells.**

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The Secretary of State yesterday filed the following charters:

Beaumont Ginning and Milling Company, Beaumont; capital stock, \$5000. Incorporators: E. B. Baldwin, William Saenger, B. Irby and others.

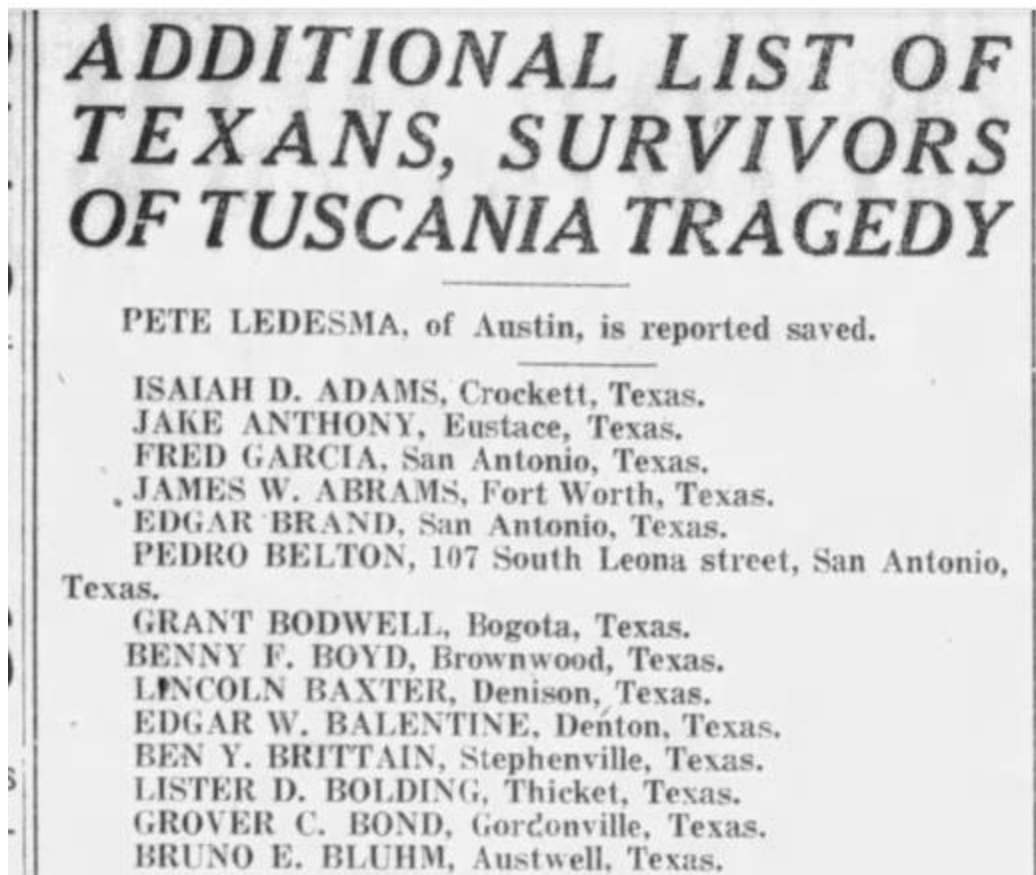
The Hot Wells Operating Company, San Antonio; capital stock, \$3000. Incorporators: Oscar Kihlberg, C. H. Copping, A. A. Dean.

The Young Men's Amusement Club, Yorktown; no capital stock. Incorporators: O. J. Bonba, B. E. Bluhm, O. W. Ehlers and others.

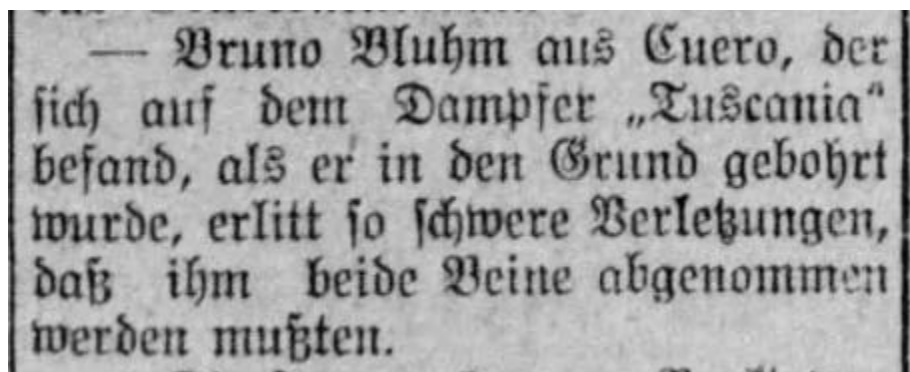
"Austin (TX) American-Statesman" Thursday 21 Sep 1911 p 4

B. E. Bluhm, of Austwell, was a business visitor here yesterday.

"Victoria (TX) Daily Advocate" Tuesday 14 Jul 1914 p 3



Article continues – “Austin (TX) American” Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1



German language newspaper – “Freie Presse für Texas” (San Antonio TX) Wednesday 27 Mar 1918 p 4 – claims both of Bruno’s legs were amputated but he had zero percent disability according to TX military records when discharged 23 April 1919 - and his WII draft registration on 27 Apr 1942 notes only that he had a scar on his lower lip – and they should have noticed two artificial legs.

German language:

“Bruno Bluhm aus Cuero, der sich auf dem Dampfer “Tuscania” befand, als er in den Grund bebohrt wurde, erlitt so schwere Verletzungen, dass ihm beide Beine abgenommen warden mussten.”



English translation: Bruno from Cuero, who was on the steamer "Tuscania" when it was torpedoed onto the seafloor, suffered such severe injuries that both of his legs had to be removed."

**October 1 Deadline  
Set for Red Cross  
Relief Applications**

REFUGIO (Sp) — Applications for Red Cross disaster rehabilitation assistance must be made before October 1, it has been announced by Miss Katherine B. Munroe, regional director of Texas Hurricane Disaster Relief.

All persons in Refugio County who wish to receive Red Cross assistance and who have not heretofore applied are advised to submit their applications at Red Cross headquarters in the City Hall, at Refugio, or with registrars in outlying towns of the county, before October 1 as registrations will be accepted only up to that time.

Early this week 180 applications had been listed at the Refugio County office, for which Miss Ruth Hill and Miss Betty Lewis are Red Cross disaster relief representatives.

Applications are being taken in Woodshoro by J. K. Kerr, superintendent of public schools; at Austwell by Bruno Bluhm, postmaster; Tivoli, Mrs. J. H. Angerstein, and Bayside, A. L. Cole, postmaster.

"Corpus Christi (TX) Times" Friday 25 Sep 1942 p 16

# March-of-Dimes Will Benefit From Refugio County Follies

**AUSTWELL** — Forty Refugio County citizens, who entertain only in an emergency, will go before the footlights here Wednesday night at 8 o'clock to fight infantile paralysis. This is the second performance of the Rotary-Lions March-of-Dimes Follies and it will take place at the Austwell School.

On Friday night, the Follies will appear at the Tivoli school, and the final performance is scheduled for Feb. 13 at the Refugio school. The admission is 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children.

## Seek Record Donations

The Follies, made up mostly of male performers from over Refugio County, is directed by Bob Renfro, Refugio School principal

and former president of the Refugio Rotary Club. With funds received from the performance, and other contributions, Refugio County hopes to lead the nation in per capita March-of-Dimes donations this year.

Throughout the showing of the "Follies," there is action on and off the stage. Carter Snooks, publisher of the Refugio Timely Remarks, plays the part of a husky middle-aged woman, and Bud Merka, Refugio High School student, is "her" son in short pants. They sit in the audience most of the time, and create such a disturbance, as a part of the comedy, that City Marshal Pascal Huddleston, who wears a beard, finally resorts to throwing them out.

An "extra" feature of the Follies is the act called "Salesmanship from Six Nations." In costumes resembling peddlers from Palestine, Mexico, France, England, Italy and Germany, these performers are George Solka, Sandy Germer, H. L. DeViney, Dr. W. R. Hounsell, Julius Vasallo and Leerie R. Giese, who is county-wide manager of the March-of-Dimes drive.

Excerpt:

## "Black-Faced" Quartet

Three quartets add harmony to the show. The "hobo" quartet, of Woodsboro, is composed of Jack Farren, Ray Findley, W. A. (Dub) Horner and H. L. DeViney, all members of the Woodsboro Lions Club. Carl Turner, Freddie Neumann, Walter Radke and Mrs. Jimmie Barber, all of Tivoli, perform in a "black-faced" quartet. There is also an Austwell quartet

composed of A. O. Robinson, B. E. Bluhm, C. H. Stone and M. C. Ross.



## Tivoli-Austwell Graduates Are Given Diplomas

TIVOLI, May 20—With the stirring message to take advantage of their high school training and continue their education in college if possible ringing in their ears, ten graduates of the Austwell-Tivoli High School received their diplomas at commencement exercises held in the Tivoli school auditorium Friday night.

The commencement speaker was R. C. Pickett, superintendent of Victoria County schools.

The baccalaureate was held last Sunday.

Mrs. Byron Hoff gave the processional and B. E. Bluhm gave the invocation. Mozelle Roper presented the welcome address. Supt. Byron Hoff introduced Mr. Pickett.

Billie Joyce Johanson presented the address of farewell.

A quartet composed of Mrs. Lucille Anderson, Mrs. Helen Hoff, Mrs. Madge Fagan and Mrs. E. C. Ketler, accompanied by Mrs. Greeley Frazier, sang "The Breeze."

Supt. Hoff handed out the diplomas.

Attendance awards were presented by Cecil Crews, secretary of the Rotary Club, which sponsors the awards for attendance.

## **Austwell Methodists To Have Revival**

Rev. C. R. Brewster, pastor of the Bloomington Methodist Church, will begin a 10-day revival at the Austwell Methodist Church Friday. The Austwell pastor, Rev. D. D. Hogan, made the announcement and invited the public to attend.

Services will be at 8 p.m. daily. Rev. B. E. Bluhm will lead song services, accompanied by pianist Francis Bluhm.

Rev. Hogan will work with the children's Sunbeam Club each evening, the youngsters' club meeting at 7:45 p.m. daily.

"Victoria (TX) Advocate" Wednesday 12 Aug 1953 p 14

## **Birthdays Observed**

**TIVOLI** — Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Bluhm of Austwell recently feted their mothers, Mrs. Dorothy Bluhm and Mrs. Mattie Adair, with a birthday celebration.

Mrs. Bluhm celebrated her 88th, and Mrs. Adair her 82nd birthday.

Guests attended from San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Cuero, Victoria and Tivoli.

"Victoria (TX) Advocate" Friday 22 Jan 1954 p 3

**AUSTWELL VISITORS**  
**SEADRIFT** — Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Bluhm and Mrs. Willie Gohlke of Austwell visited Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gohlke recently.

“Victoria (TX) Advocate” Friday 7 Jul 1961 p 8

**Memorial Services  
 Set Near Yorktown**  
 Advocate News Service  
 YORKTOWN — Annual homecoming and memorial services will be held Sunday at the Rabke Methodist Church, seven miles east of Yorktown.  
 The Rev. Harold Goodenough of the First Methodist Church of Yorktown will deliver the sermon at the morning service, and Bruno Bluhm of Austwell will conduct memorial services in the afternoon.

“Victoria (TX) Advocate” Saturday 4 May 1963 p 5


Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Bluhm of Austwell attended the dedication services and lunch at the United Methodist Church Sunday. Bishop Eugene Salder of San Antonio held the service. His wife also attended the service.

“Victoria (TX) Advocate” Monday 11 Oct 1977 p 6

THE VICTORIA ADVOCATE, Thursday, January 25, 1973 — 9A

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**SIDNEY'S**  
**JOURNAL**  
By SIDNEY R. WEISIGER

## Watching His Sheep

Down in Austwell on Bay Street Mr. Bruno E. Bluhm was sitting on a box watching a small flock of sheep.

This shepherd had an airgun which he uses to discourage dogs that bother the animals.

Mr. Bruno went from his hometown of Rabkeville to Yorktown and then by rail to Tivoli. The tracks did not go to Austwell at that time around 1913.

The Bluhms took over the drug store from Mr. W. H. Gisler and operated the business until 1969, and then retired.

His brother-in-law was Dr. G. E. Glover the well known Austwell medical man.

Mrs. Bluhm, (Mary Frances) was postmistress of the town for 22 years. She beat her husband when they both took the exam for postmaster.

Austwell has changed since the days of cotton gins, planing mill, oil mill, ice plant, large flourishing hotel, Pace's Bakery and a large number of other businesses. All of the activity was told by Mr. Bluhm.

The railroad which all the settlers wanted so bad had been removed and there are no more trains.

I felt kinda jealous. Mr. Bruno was wearing a nice white ducking jacket trimmed in corduroy, the kind you can't find any more.

Me Me bought a little snack of cheese, crackers and such at Mr. Robert Bluhm's store and we hit the trail.

"Victoria (TX) Advocate" Thursday 25 Jan 1973 p 9 -  
<https://www.newspapers.com/image/435789594/>

Wife:



**LUNCHTIME IN SHIFTS**—Mrs. B. E. Bluhm takes a look at the dessert for dinner while her husband mans the Austwell post office in her absence. She's been postmaster there since 1943. The post office is located in the family's drug store.

Austwell  
With the post office in the Bluhm  
See WOMEN, Page 3

“Corpus Christi (TX) Caller-Times” Sunday 21 Aug 1955 p 29 (1C)  
<https://www.newspapers.com/image/758257218/>



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drug store in Austwell, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Bluhm work together daily. Mrs. Bluhm, who became postmaster in April, 1943, runs the third class office with occasional help from her husband, as the clerk.

Lunchtime comes in shift, with his operating the office while she goes home to fix lunch. The Bluhms, who have lived in Austwell for more than 30 years, live a few blocks from the office, in a breeze-swept house facing San Antonio bay.

"Corpus Christi (TX) Caller-Times" Sunday 21 Aug 1955 p 31 (3C) -  
<https://www.newspapers.com/image/755892525/>

THE STATE OF TEXAS,		} No. 740
County of Victoria		
To any Regularly Licensed or Ordained Minister of the Gospel, Jewish Rabbi, Judge of the District or County Court, or any Justice of the Peace, in the State of Texas,—GREETING:		
YOU ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO SOLEMNIZE THE RITES OF MATRIMONY BETWEEN		
Mr. Bruno E. Bluhm and M. Mary E. Adair		
and make due return to the Clerk of the County Court of said County within sixty days thereafter, certifying your action under this License.		
WITNESS my official signature and seal of office, at office in Victoria, Texas		
the 8 day of August 1925		
J. A. Sitterbe		Clerk
of County Court Victoria		County.
By		Deputy.
I, Rev Edwin H. Mitchell, hereby certify that on the 9 day of Aug 1925		
I united in Marriage Bruno E. Bluhm and Mary E. Adair		
the parties above named.		
WITNESS my hand this 9 day of August 1925		
Rev Edwin H. Mitchell		
Presbyterian Minister		
Returned and filed for record the 11 day of Aug 1925 and recorded the 11 day of Sept 1925		
J. A. Sitterbe		County Clerk.
By		Deputy.

marriage to Mary Adair 8 Aug 1925 -

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STATE OF TEXAS 225-01-2 196-20		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 182917		STATE FILE NO. 46610
1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY Victoria		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (where deceased lived. If not at residence before admission) a. STATE Texas b. COUNTY Refugio		
b. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) Victoria		c. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) Austwell		
c. LENGTH OF STAY in 1 b. week		d. STREET ADDRESS (if rural, give location) Box 6 Austwell		
d. NAME OF (if not in hospital, give street address) HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION DeFar Hospital		e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) (a) First MRS. MARY (b) Middle FRANCES (c) Last BLUHM		4. DATE OF DEATH June 4, 1974		
5. SEX Female		6. DATE OF BIRTH Aug. 20, 1895		
7. COLOR OR RACE white		8. AGE (in years, first birthday) 78		
9. MARRIAGE STATUS (a) Married <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (b) Never Married <input type="checkbox"/> (c) Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> (d) Divorced <input type="checkbox"/>		10. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Buda, Texas		
11. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) Household		12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? USA		
13. FATHER'S NAME J. W. Adair		14. MOTHER'S MARRIAGE NAME Mattie J. Howe		
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (a) Yes, give war or dates of service no		16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 465 09 89055		
17. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).)		18. DECEASED'S AGE AT DEATH 3 1/2 years		
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) Carcinoma of uterus				
RECD JUL 12 1974				
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS				
PART II OTHER CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a)				
19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
20. MEDICAL CERTIFICATION				
21a. ACCIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> SUICIDE <input type="checkbox"/> HOMICIDE <input type="checkbox"/>				
21b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED: (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of Item 18)				
22. TIME OF DEATH Hour Month Day Year				
23. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.)				
24. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION COUNTY STATE				
25. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from 10-6-50 to 6-3-74 and last saw the deceased alive on 6-3-74. Death occurred at 6:45 AM on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.				
26. SIGNATURE (Type or print) 27. ADDRESS 2800 N. Navarro Victoria, Texas 29. DATE SIGNED 6/10/74				
30. SIGNATURE (Type or print) 31. DATE 32. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Tivoli Cemetery				
33. LOCATION (City, town, or county) Tivoli, Texas 34. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S NAME McCabe-Carruth Funeral Home #1580				
35. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. 147 36. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR 6-11-74 37. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE L. D. Delworth, Registrar, Austin, Texas				

TX death record -

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## Mrs. Bluhm

Mrs. Mary Frances Bluhm, 78, of Austwell, died Tuesday at 8:45 a.m. in a Victoria hospital after an extended illness.

Mrs. Bluhm was born August 20, 1895 in Buda, Tex., the daughter of the late J. W. and Mattie J. Howe Adair. She married Bruno El Bluhm of Austwell, August 9, 1925.

Mrs. Bluhm was formerly a resident of San Marcos and Beeville. She had been a school teacher at Austwell High School and had served as postmaster in Austwell.

She was a member of the order of the Eastern Star and the Austwell United Methodist Church.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at the Austwell United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Claude Cagle and the Rev. Tyson officiating.

Burial will be in Tivoli Cemetery with McCabe-Carruth Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The remains will lie in state at the church Thursday from 1 p.m. until time for services.

Members of the Eastern Star will conduct graveside services.

Survivors include one sister, Miss Elizabeth Adair of San Antonio; a brother, Albert J. Adair of Austin; nieces and nephews.

"Victoria (TX) Advocate" Wednesday 5 Jun 1974 p 10

**MRS. MARTHA ADAIR**

VICTORIA, Sept. 11 (CTS)—Mrs. Martha Jane Adair, 85, of Austwell died Tuesday in Victoria. She once lived in San Marcos.

She is survived by one son, Albert J. Adair of Austin; two daughters, Mrs. B. E. Bluhm of Austwell and Miss Elizabeth Adair of San Antonio; five grandchildren; seven brothers, H. R. Howe of Buda; G. T. Howe of Austin, A. C. Howe of Nixon, W. A. Howe of Roscoe, Fred D. Howe of Midland, D. D. Howe of Shamrock and Charles Howe of Los Angeles.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Duckett-Richardson Chapel in Victoria. At 3 p.m., graveside services will be held in Kyle.

“Austin (TX) American” Wednesday 12 Sep 1956 p 7

Father:



William Bluhm & wife Dorothea Rabke Bluhm - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/73778376/person/182499824591/media/be5d03a4-bfa8-45ef-b75d-0b352f852ac4>



WHERE PLAINLY WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD  
Where Stillborn, give as cause of Death, the birth Certificate. Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

1 PLACE OF DEATH			TEXAS STATE BOARD OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		Reg. Dis. No. <u>48450</u> p. v. S.
County <u>Refugio</u>			City <u>Austwell</u> (No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____)		Registered No. <u>D</u>
2 FULL NAME <u>William Bluhm</u> (a)			RESIDENCE NO. _____ St. _____		
(If nonresident give city or town and State)					
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. How long in U. S. if of foreign birth? _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.					
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS			MEDICAL PARTICULARS		
3 SEX <u>Male</u>	4 COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) <u>Married</u>	16 DATE OF DEATH <u>Nov 23</u> 19 <u>22</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)		
6 DATE OF BIRTH <u>March 2</u> 18 <u>92</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)			17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>Nov 23</u> , 19 <u>22</u> , to <u>Nov 23</u> , 19 <u>22</u>		
7 AGE <u>30</u> yrs. <u>8</u> mos. <u>21</u> ds. If less than 2 years state if breast fed _____ If less than 1 day _____ Yes _____ No _____ hrs. _____ min.			that I last saw him alive on <u>Nov 23</u> , 19 <u>22</u>		
8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work <u>Mail Carrier</u> (b) General nature of industry, business or establishment in which employed (or employer) _____			and that death occurred on the date stated above, at <u>12:30</u> a.m.		
9 BIRTHPLACE (State or country) <u>Germany</u>			The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>Acute Dilatation of Heart</u> (duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.		
10 NAME OF FATHER <u>Wm. Bluhm</u>			Contributory (Secondary) _____ (duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.		
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) <u>Germany</u>			18 Where was disease contracted _____ If not at place of death? _____		
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Rosine Marconis</u>			Did an operation precede death? _____ Date of _____		
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) <u>Germany</u>			Was there an autopsy? <u>no</u>		
14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE			Was test confirmed diagnosis? <u>yes</u>		
(Informant) <u>R. H. Bluhm</u>			(Physician) <u>E. A. Klover</u> M. D.		
(Address) <u>Austwell Texas</u>			19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>Rabke Cem.</u>		
15 <u>Nov 25</u> 19 <u>22</u> <u>O. F. Northman</u> Registrar			DATE OF BURIAL <u>Nov 24</u> 19 <u>22</u>		
			20 UNDERTAKER <u>E. J. Freund</u>		
			ADDRESS <u>Levell, Texas</u>		

TX death record of William Bluhm –  
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Mother:

2351-02-196-00 TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS  
STATE OF TEXAS CERTIFICATE OF DEATH STATE FILE NO. 25530

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1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY <b>Victoria</b>		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution, residence before admission). a. STATE <b>Texas</b> b. COUNTY <b>Refugio</b>	
b. CITY (If outside corporate limits, write RURAL and give precinct no.) <b>Victoria</b>		c. CITY (If outside corporate limits, write RURAL and give precinct no.) <b>Austwell Rural</b>	
d. FULL NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION <b>De Tar Memorial Hospital</b>		e. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) <b>Austwell, Texas</b>	
3. NAME OF DECEASED a. (First) <b>MRS.</b> b. (Middle) <b>W. M.</b> c. (Last) <b>BLUHM</b>		4. DATE OF DEATH <b>April 28, 1954</b>	
5. SEX <b>Female</b>	6. COLOR OR RACE <b>White</b>	7. MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED (Specify) <b>Widowed</b>	8. DATE OF BIRTH <b>January 19, 1866</b>
9. AGE YEARS <b>88</b> MONTHS <b>3</b> DAYS <b>9</b>		10. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) <b>Housewife</b>	
11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) <b>De Witt County, Texas</b>		12. FATHER'S NAME <b>Adolph Rabke</b>	
13. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME <b>Dorothy Baker</b>		14. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, unknown) (If yes, give war or dates of service) <b>N</b>	
15. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. <b>None</b>		16. INFORMANT'S SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i>	
17. CAUSE OF DEATH Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c) *This does not mean the mode of dying, such as heart failure, pneumonia, etc. It means the disease, injury, or complication which caused death.		MEDICAL CERTIFICATION I. DISEASE OR CONDITION DIRECTLY LEADING TO DEATH* (a) <b>Hemiparesis, both legs + left arm</b> ANTECEDENT CAUSES DUE TO (b) <b>Arterial occlusion</b> DUE TO (c) <b>Arteriosclerosis, generalized</b> II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS Conditions contributing to the death but not related to the disease or condition causing death. <b>Diabetes mellitus</b>	
18a. DATE OF OPERATION		18b. MAJOR FINDINGS OF OPERATION	
20a. ACCIDENT SUICIDE HOMICIDE (Specify)		20b. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)	
20c. CITY, TOWN, COUNTY, STATE		20d. HOW DID INJURY OCCUR?	
20e. TIME OF INJURY (Month) (Day) (Year) (Hour)		20f. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK? <input type="checkbox"/> NOT WHILE AT WORK <input type="checkbox"/>	
21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from <b>Jan. 1950</b> to <b>April 28, 1954</b> , that I last saw the deceased alive on <b>April 27, 1954</b> , and that death occurred at <b>3:12 p.m.</b> , from the causes and on the date stated above.			
22a. SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i>		22b. ADDRESS <b>2008 N. Navarro, Victoria, Texas</b>	
22c. DATE SIGNED <b>4-30-54</b>		23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) <b>Removal</b>	
23b. DATE <b>April 29, 1954</b>		23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY <b>Rabke Cemetery</b>	
23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State) <b>De Witt County, Texas</b>		24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i> <b>3309</b>	
25a. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. <b>84</b>		25b. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR <b>4-30-54</b>	
25c. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i>			

NOTE THE INFORMATION CALLED FOR ON THE REVERSE SIDE

TX death record of Dorothea Rabke Bluhm – listed here as Mr. W.M. Bluhm -  
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Siblings:

### Texas, U.S., Select County Marriage Index, 1837-1965

View record

Name **William Bluhm**  
 Gender **Male**  
 Marriage Date **6 Dec 1908**  
 Marriage Place **Dewitt, Texas, United States**  
 Spouse **Augusta Boldt**  
 FHL Film Number **1012061**



Brother William Rudolph Otto Bluhm (1886-1969) - <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/73778376/person/182499826166/facts>

**William R. Bluhm**

Funeral services for William R. Bluhm, 82, resident of Austwell since 1923 who died Tuesday in a local hospital after a long illness, will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday at Austwell Methodist Church.

The Rev. A. H. Bankert of Rockport will officiate, with burial in Tivoli Cemetery under direction of McCabe-Carruth Funeral Home.

The son of the late William and Dorothy Rabke Bluhm, he was born Aug. 25, 1886 in Yorktown. A retired farmer, he was a member of First Methodist Church of Austwell.

Pallbearers will be Roy Wise, N. B. Kelso, M. C. Ross, Emil Leister, Roger Jackson, and Eddie Anderson.

**Augusta Bluhm**

Advocate News Service

AUSTWELL — Mrs. Augusta E. Bluhm, 95, of Austwell, died Saturday at a Victoria hospital following a long illness.

A resident of Austwell for 60 years, she was born in Yorktown on Dec. 6, 1888, the daughter of the late Frank and Amelia Boldt. She was preceded in death by her husband William R. Bluhm who died June 17, 1969; a daughter, Lucille Bluhm, who died in 1938; and a son, Billie Bluhm, who died in 1960. She was a member of Austwell Methodist Church.

Funeral services are pending at Colonial Funeral Home in Victoria.

She is survived by two daughters, Mildred Boyd of Rockdale and Dorothy Kelso of Austin; two sons, Harry and Earl Bluhm of Austwell; a sister, Mrs. Lydia Peckham of Purvis, Miss.; nine grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Left: "Victoria (TX) Advocate" Thursday 19 Jun 1969 p 19 – right: "Victoria (TX) Advocate" Sunday 5 Feb 1984 p 16

## William Bluhm N

AUSTWELL. — Funeral services were to be at 3 p.m. today for William R. Bluhm, 82, who died Tuesday after a long illness.

Burial was to be in Tivoli Cemetery at Tivoli under direction of McCabe-Carruth Funeral Home of Victoria.

Bluhm, a retired farmer, had been a resident of Austwell since 1923. He was born in Yorktown.

Surviving are his wife, Augusta; two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Kelso of Austin and Mrs. Mildred Boyd of Rockdale; two sons, Harry and Earl Bluhm, both of Austwell; a sister, Mrs. George E. Glover of Tivoli; two brothers, Bruno and Roland Bluhm, both of Austwell; nine grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren.

“Corpus Christi (TX) Times” Thursday 19 Jun 1969 p 16

6B The Victoria Advocate, Sunday, Dec. 14, 1958

## W. R. Bluhms Mark 50th Wedding Anniversary at Party in Austwell

An open house was held recently in Austwell, honoring Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bluhm on their 50th wedding anniversary. The golden wedding event was observed during the afternoon, at the couple's home, with all of their children present for the occasion.

The couple recited vows on Dec. 6, 1908, at the Little Rabke Church in DeWitt County, officiated by the Rev. F. W. Mumme. Their attendants were Minnie Baldt, now Mrs. A. C. Dornburg of Weestache, sister of Mrs. Bluhm and Leona Bluhm now Mrs. G. E. Glover of Tivoli, sister of Mr. Bluhm.

Mr. and Mrs. Bluhm had six children. They are Harry Bluhm of Austwell, Mrs. Cody Boyd of Austin, Mrs. C. E. Kelso of Austin, Earl Bluhm of Austwell and Billy Bluhm of Austwell and Lucille, who is deceased in 1938.

They have nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Five of the grandchildren were present for the open house. They were Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Boyd and child of Austin, Gordon Kelso of Austin, Hollis and Becky Bluhm of Austwell, Dorothy Mae Bluhm of Austwell. The grandchildren not present were James R. Bluhm and wife who is with the Air Force stationed in Columbus, Ohio, now on TDY assignment in England, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sturgill and children of Chilhowie, Va., David Boyd of Austin, and Earl Bluhm Jr. of Idalou, Tex.



MR. AND MRS. W. R. BLUHm

Mrs. A. C. Dornburg of Weesatche served the cake, and Mrs. Leona Glover poured punch. Mrs. F. M. Piefer of Yorktown presided at the coffee service and Miss Frances Bluhm of Victoria registered guests.

Mrs. C. E. Kelso, who made the wedding cake, decorated the tiers with the numerals "50" with roses, bells and gold letters spelling December.

The couple's daughters received guests at the door, and their daughters-in-law received gifts.

A floral centerpiece was of large bronze mums, and smaller mums with gold foliage.

The Rev. J. L. Atkinson, of the Austwell Methodist Church, made a brief talk. The group sang a song "My Hope is Built" and a solo, "Silver Threads Among the Gold," was sung by the Bluhm's granddaughter, Hollis Ann Bluhm.

Friends and relatives attended from towns in the surrounding area and Austin.

"Victoria (TX) Advocate" Sunday 14 Dec 1958 p 22

STATE OF TEXAS 196-00-1 196-00 CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 4123 STATE FILE NO. 96497

1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY Refugio		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: residence before admission) a. STATE Texas b. COUNTY Refugio	
b. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) Tivoli		c. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) Tivoli	
d. NAME OF (if not in hospital, give street address) HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION (Victoria Hwy.)		d. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) Victoria Hwy.	
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		f. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> g. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) (a) First Leona (b) Middle Marie (c) Last Glover		4. DATE OF DEATH Nov. 19, 1978	
5. SEX Female 6. COLOR OR RACE White		7. MARRIAGE STATUS Married <input type="checkbox"/> Never Married <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/>	
8. DATE OF BIRTH March 23, 1893		9. AGE (In years last birthday) 85	
10a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) Housewife		10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY Domestic	
11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) DeWitt Co., Texas		12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? U.S.A.	
13. FATHER'S NAME William Bluhm		14. MOTHER'S M. DEN NAME Dorothy Rabke	
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) No		16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 460-30-4638	
17. INFORMANT Dr. George E. Glover			
18. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).) PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) <u>Diabetic ketoacidosis 20 years</u> DUE TO (b) _____ DUE TO (c) _____ PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a) <u>Diabetes mellitus</u> (b) _____ (c) _____ 19. ACCIDENT SUICIDE HOMICIDE 20. HOW INJURY OCCURRED (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of Item 18)			
21. TIME OF DEATH (Hour, Month, Day, Year) 11-13 78			
22. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from 6-7 78 to 11-19 78 and last saw the deceased alive on 11-13 78. Death occurred at 3:00 pm on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.			
23a. SIGNATURE Dr. George E. Glover		23b. ADDRESS 301 E. Austin Tivoli, Tex 77901	
23c. DATE SIGNED 11-29-78			
23d. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Burial		23e. DATE Nov. 21, 1978	
23f. LOCATION (City, town, or county) Tivoli Texas		23g. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Tivoli Cemetery	
23h. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE McCabe-Carruth F.A. 77331		23i. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE Richard Martens	
24. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. 6		25. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR 12-7-78	

TX death record of sister Leona Marie Bluhm Glover (1893-1978) -

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**Miss Leona Bluhm,  
Of Austwell.**

“Houston (TX) Post” Friday 13 Jun 1913 p 16



## **Mrs. Glover**

**Advocate News Service**

**TIVOLI** — Funeral services for Mrs. Leona Marie Glover, 85, of Tivoli, who died Sunday afternoon at her residence following a long illness, will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Austwell United Methodist Church with the Rev. Ivan Donaldson officiating.

Burial will be in Tivoli Cemetery under direction of McCabe-Carruth Funeral Home.

The body will lie in state at the church from 9 a.m. Tuesday until time of services.

Mrs. Glover, mother of Dr. George E. Glover Jr. of Victoria, was a member of the Order of Eastern Star.

Pallbearers will be Harry Bluhm, Earl Bluhm, Roy Wise, W. M. Glover, Roger Jackson and Bob Walker.

“Victoria (TX) Advocate” Thursday 21 Nov 1978 p 14

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STATE OF TEXAS **CERTIFICATE OF DEATH** STATE FILE NO. **68154**

1. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) **ROLAND H. BLUHM** 2. SEX **Male** 3. DATE OF DEATH **Aug. 24, 1981**

4. RACE **White** 5a. WAS THE DECEDENT OR SPANISH ORIGIN? **no** 5b. IF YES, SPECIFY: **COBAN, PUERTO RICAN, ETC.** 6. DATE OF BIRTH **2-1-1899** 7. AGE (In years last birthday) **82** 8. UNDER 1 YEAR ☐ 9. UNDER 24 HRS. ☐

10. PLACE OF DEATH - COUNTY **Victoria** 11. CITY OR TOWN (Provide city limits, give precinct no.) **Victoria** 12. NAME OF HOSPITAL (If hospital, give institutional or institutional) **Citizens Hospital** 13. INCLUDE CITY LIMITS? **yes**

14. MARRIED (NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED, SEPARATED) **Married** 15. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) **Texas** 16. COUNTRY OF WHAT COUNTRY? **USA** 17. WAS DECEDENT EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? **no** 18. SURVIVOR'S SPOUSE (If wife, give maiden name) **Melva Hill Bluhm**

19. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. **450 03 3126** 20. USUAL OCCUPATION (If decedent was ever working, give occupation) **Farmer & Merchant** 21. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY **Farming & Mercantile**

22. RESIDENCE - STATE **Texas** - COUNTY **Refugio** 23. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give name) **Austwell** 24. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) **P. O. Box 7** 25. INCLUDE CITY LIMITS? **yes**

26. FATHER'S NAME **William Bluhm** 27. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME **Dorothy Bluhm** 28. SIGNATURE OF INFORMANT **Mrs. Hill Bluhm**

29. IMMEDIATE CAUSE (State only one cause per line for (a), (b), or (c)) **Adenocarcinoma of Esophagus** 30. INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH **Unknown**

31. PART 1. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS (If reported by a contributing physician, it is not required for cause given in PART 1) **Myocardial Infarct** 32. AUTOPSY? **no**

33. ACC. SOURCE (If accident, specify) **Myocardial Infarct** 34. DATE OF INJURY (Mo., Day, Yr.) **8-27-81** 35. HOUR OF INJURY **4:10 P** 36. DATE WHEN INJURY OCCURRED **8-27-81**

37. PLACE OF INJURY (If home, farm, street, factory, office, building, etc., specify) **Home** 38. LOCATION **STREET OR R.F.D. NO.** **CITY OR TOWN** **STATE**

39. On the basis of my knowledge, death occurred at the time, date, and place and due to the cause(s) stated (Signature and Title) **George L. Glover MD** 40. On the basis of examination and investigation, in my opinion death occurred at the time, date, and place and due to the cause(s) stated (Signature and Title) **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH REC'D SEP 14 1981 BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS**

41. DATE SIGNED (Mo., Day, Yr.) **8-27-81** 42. HOUR OF DEATH **4:10 P** 43. DATE SIGNED (Mo., Day, Yr.) **8-27-81** 44. HOUR OF DEATH **4:10 P**

45. NAME OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN (Type or print) **George L. Glover** 46. NAME OF CLERK OR REGISTRAR **Tivoli Cemetery**

47. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) **Burial** 48. DATE **8-26-81** 49. SIGNATURE OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR OR PERSON ACTING AS SUCH **Colonial Funeral Home #5253**

50. LOCATION (City, town, or county) **Tivoli, Texas** 51. SIGNATURE OF LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER **Colonial Funeral Home #5253**

52. HEALTH DEPT. FILE NO. **423** 53. DATE SIGNED BY LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER **9-2-81**

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TX death record of brother Roland Hugo Bluhm (1899-1981) -

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## **Roland H. Bluhm**

Funeral services for Roland H. Bluhm, 82, of Austwell, who died at 4:10 p.m. Monday in a local hospital, will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Austwell United Methodist Church.

The Rev. Ivan Donaldson, pastor, and Chaplain Chester McCown will officiate.

Burial will be in Tivoli Cemetery under the direction of Colonial Funeral Home of Victoria.

Pallbearers will be Eddie Anderson, Tommy Jackson, Roy Wise, Lester Tippins, Charles Schindler and Herbert Wittliff.

Honorary pallbearers will be Dr. George Gloyer, Harry Bluhm, Earl Bluhm, Earl Benham, Blake Agnew and McRae Hill.

The body will lie in state at Colonial Funeral Home in Victoria until noon Wednesday when it will be taken to the church for services.

Mr. Bluhm had lived in Austwell since 1912. He was born Feb. 1, 1899 in DeWitt County, the son of the late William and Dorothy Rabke Bluhm. He had been a farmer and businessman.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Melva Hill Bluhm of Victoria; and a daughter, Mrs. Donald Becham of Victoria.

“Victoria (TX) Advocate” Wednesday 26 Aug 1981 p 12

**Abbreviations:**

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

**Name: Bruno Edward Bluhm**

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: Camp Travis Det. 1, 165th Depot Brigade - private

Serial number: 251,381

Entered service from: Austwell, Refugio TX

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Bruno E. Bluhm

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father W.M. Bluhm, Austwell TX

Returned from war on: "Venezia" Mar 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Bruno Edward Bluhm

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Dorothy Bluhm, Austwell TX (pvt, 40th Engrs)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Bruno Edward Bluhm - b. 9 Sep 1892 Cuero TX; res: Austwell, Refugio TX. Single. Farm laborer for Willie Bluhm, Yorktown TX [presumably his father, not his brother]. Medium height & build. Registered 31 May 1917, in advance of the 5 Jun 1917 national registration day.

National Tuscania Survivors Association 1939 roster: Austwell TX

World War II draft registration (1942): b: 9 Sep 1891 Cuero TX; res: Austwell, Refugio TX.

Contact person: W.H. Gisler, Austwell TX. Self-employed – drug store in Austwell, Refugio TX. "scar on lower lip." Height: 5'7" – 175 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index: as Bruno EWARD Bluhm

Enlisted 8 Oct 1917

Discharged 23 Apr 1919

Address: Austwell TX

Rank/unit: private, 361 Cas Co

TX WWI records: as BRONO E. Bluhm, serial 251381. Resident Refugio, Refugio Co. TX.

Entered Army 8 Oct 1917 at age 26 years 1 month. Born Cuero TX. In 165<sup>th</sup> Depot Bridged to 17 Jul 1917 [sic/has to be 1918]; in Co. C, 116<sup>th</sup> Engineers to 24 Sep 1918; in 40<sup>th</sup> Engineers to discharge. Overseas 24 Jan 1918 to 25 Mar 1919. Discharged 23 Apr 1919 – 0% disabled.

#### Birth & death:

Born: 9 Sep 1891 (WWII draft) or 9 Sep 1892 (WWI draft registration & TX death certificate) (obituary: 9 Sep 1892, age 82 at death) Cuero, DeWitt TX

Died: 4 Jun 1975 Victoria, Victoria TX (Detar Memorial Hospital)

Find A Grave record: 40202077, presence on Tuscania noted in flower

Burial location: Tivoli, Refugio TX

Cemetery: Tivoli

Tombstone:

Father: William C./W./M. Bluhm, also Wilhelm Bluhm, 2 Mar 1852 Mecklenburg, Germany – 23 Nov 1932 Austwell, Refugio TX. Son of William/Wilhelm Bluhm & Rosine Marcono.

Buried in Rabke Cemetery, Upper Meyersville, DeWitt TX.

Find A Grave: 112327149

Mother: Dorothea (Doretta/Dorothy) Etta Rabke Bluhm, 19 Jan 1866 DeWitt Co. TX – 28 Apr 1954 Victoria, Victoria TX.

Daughter of Adolph Rabke (b. Hanover Germany) & Doretha (Dorette) Boether/Baker (b. Hanover Germany). Adolph Rabke fought in the Civil War for the Confederate States of America.

Obituary: "Victoria (TX) Advocate" 28 Apr 1954 p 12 – Mrs. W.M. Bluhm, age 88, died in a local hospital. Funeral 29 Apr 1954 in Austwell TX. Born DeWitt Co. TX, lived in Refugio the last 42 years. Survived by daughter Mrs. G.E. Glover, Sr., (Tivoli) & 3 sons: W.R. [William], B.E. [Bruno] & R.H. [Roland] Bluhm, all of Austwell. Buried in Rabke Cemetery, Upper Meyersville, DeWitt TX.

Find A Grave: 83160025

Parents' marriage: 15 May 1884 DeWitt Co. TX

Spouse: Mary Frances Adair Bluhm, 2 Aug 1895 Buda, Hays Co. TX - 4 Jun 1974 Victoria, Victoria TX.

Daughter of James W. Adair (1866-1923, F: 33715013) & Martha (Mattie) Jane Howe (1871-1956, F: 33715027).

In the 1900 census for Justice Precinct 5, Hays Tx, James Adare [sic], age 28 TX, b. Feb 1866 MS, father b. MS, mother b. MS, farmer) lived with wife Martha F. (28 TX, Jan 1872, father b. Ireland, mother b. MO] & daughters Mary F. (4 TX, Aug 1895) & Pearl J. (1 TX, Oct 1898).

In 1910 the family lived in the same location: James W. Adair (44 MS, farmer, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, married 15 years), Mattie J. (39 TX, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, gave birth to 5 children with 5 living) & Mary (14), Irene (12), Albert J. (9), Lizzie (5) & Earnest (2), all children born in TX, & James's father, Andrew J. Adair, 78 GA, parents b. SC, widowed.

In 1920 the family had moved to Justice Precinct 8, Refugio Co. TX – J.W. Adair (53 MS), Mattie (49 TX), Mary (24 TX, public school teacher), Albert (19 TX, farm laborer), Elizabeth (14 TX) & Ernest (12 TX).

Obituary: "Austin (TX American-Statesman" 6 Jun 1974 p 79 – Mary F. Adair Bluhm, age 78, of Austwell, died in a Victoria hospital 4 Jun. Born Hays Co. TX.. Lived in Refugio Co. since 1919. Taught school in various south TX towns. Was postmaster at Austwell over 25 years. Survived by husband Bruno E. Bluhm of Austwell, a brother & sister. Funeral 6 Jun, burial in Tivoli Cemetery.

"Victoria (TX) Advocate" 5 Jun 1974 p 10 – Mrs. Mary Frances Bluhm, age 78, of Austwell, d. 4 Jun in a Victoria hospital. Born 20 Aug 1895 in Buda TX. Daughter of the late J.W. & Mattie J. (Howe) Adair. Married Bruno E. Bluhm of Austwell on 9 Aug 1925. Former resident of San Marcos & Beeville. School teacher at Austwell High School. Postmaster at Austwell.

Survived by husband, sister & brother.

Buried in Tivoli Cemetery, Tivoli, Refugio TX.

Spouse Find A Grave: 40202146

Marriage: Mary S. [sic] Adair on 8 Aug 1925 Victoria Co. TX (by a Presbyterian minister)

Children:

Siblings:



- William Rudolph Otto Bluhm. 25 Aug 1886 Yorktown, DeWitt TX – 17 Jun 1969 Victoria, Victoria TX. Listed as Wilhelm Bluhm in 1900 census. Married Augusta E. Boldt (1888-1984, FP: 172760004) on 6 Dec 1908 in DeWitt Co. TX. – In the 1950 census for Victoria, Victoria TX, William R. Bluhm (63 TX, farmer) resided with wife Augusta M. (61 TX) & son Harry L. (39 TX, never married farmer). - Buried in Tivoli Cemetery, Tivoli, Refugio TX with siblings. F: 84606682
- Leona Marie Bluhm Glover, 23 Mar 1893 DeWitt Co. TX – 19 Nov 1978 Tivoli, Refugio TX.. Wife of Dr. George E. Glover (1887 NE – 1953 TX, F: 236470183) whose tombstone lists him as a WWI & WWII veteran. They married ca. 1916. Obituary: “Victoria (TX) Advocate” 20 Nov 1978 p 12 – Mrs. Leona Marie Glover, age 85, mother of Dr. George Glover of Victoria, d. 19 Nov 1978 at her home. Daughter of late William & Dorothy Rabke. Her husband Dr. George Glover d. 1954 [i.e. 1953]. Survived by brother Roland Bluhm of Austwell. [“Victoria Advocate” 1 May 1953 p 14 – Dr. George E. Glover, age 65, died 1 May 1953, b. NE, wife Leona M.] Buried in Tivoli Cemetery, Tivoli, Refugio TX with siblings. F: 172789700
- Roland Hugo Bluhm, 1 Feb 1899 DeWitt Co. TX – 24 Aug 1981 Victoria Co. TX. Married Melva Lydia Hill (1906-2005, F: 172760054) on 7 May 1926 in Victoria Co. TX. - Buried in Tivoli Cemetery, Tivoli, Refugio TX with siblings. F: 172760057

#### Notes:

#### Wartime:

“Great Falls (MT) Tribune” 10 Feb 1918 p 2 – 47 sick & injured US troops are in 3 hospitals in Ireland. Among them: Bruno E. Bluhm.

#### Post-war:

#### Obituary:

TX deaths: residence at PO Box 6, Austwell TX. Died DeTar Memorial Hospital, Victoria, Victoria TX. Age 82, widowed. Born 9 Sep 1892 DeWitt Co. TX, son of William Bluhm & Dorothea Rebka [sic]. Spent “weeks” in hospital. Retired postmaster. Informant: Harry Bluhm of Austwell TX. Was NOT in military service. Social Security #665-09-8905A. Signed George E. Glover. Died of carcinoma of cl---- [unreadable] of a duration of 1 year, 8 months.

Social Security Number: 665-09-8905A

#### Censuses:

1900 Justice Precinct 4, DeWitt Co. TX

Wilhelm Bluhm, 48 Germany, Mar 1852, parents b. Germany, married 16 years, emigrated 1870, in US for 30 years, papers filed, farmer

Dorette, 34 TX, Jan 1866, parents b. Germany, gave birth to 5 children, 4 are living

Wilhelm, 13 TX, Aug 1886, at school

Bruno, 8 TX, Sep 1891, at school

Leone, 7 TX, Mar 1893

Roland, 1 TX, Feb 1898

[The previous census entry is for the Adolph & Marie Rabke family.]

1910 Justice Precinct 4, DeWitt Co. TX – parents & siblings – where is Bruno?

Wm. Bluhm, 58 Germany, parents b. Germany, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, married 25 years, farmer, general farming

Doretta, 43 TX, parents b. Germany, gave birth to 3 children, 3 are living [skipped either Wilhelm or Bruno]

Leona, 17 TX, farm laborer, home farm

Roland, 11 TX, farm laborer, home farm

1920 Austwell, Refugio TX

Wm. Bluhm, 68 Mecklenburg, Germany, parents b. Mecklenburg, Germany, emigrated 1870, naturalized 1871, night watchman, oil well

Dorothy, 53 TX, parents b. Hanover, Germany

Bruno, 28 TX, single, salesman, drug store

Roland, 20 TX, laborer, farm

W.H. Gisler lives nearby, merchant, drug store

1930 Precinct 8, Refugio TX – Bay St. – conducted 16 Apr 1930 – this page of the census was enumerated by Bruno Bluhm himself

Bruno E. Bluhm, 38 TX, father b. Germany, mother b. TX, age 32 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, enumerator, US census, WWI veteran

Mary F., 34 TX, father b. MS, mother b. TX

1940 Austwell, Refugio TX – same house in 1935

Bruno E. Bluhm, 48 TX, proprietor, drug store

Mary, 44 TX

1950 Austwell, Refugio TX

Bruno Bluhm, 58 TX, drug store manager, retail drug store

Mary F. Bluhm, 54 TX, postmaster, Post Office [wife]

Martie J. Adair, 79 TX, widow [mother – should be mother-in-law of Bruno]

On the same page:

Dorothy Bluhm, 84 TX, widow [Bruno's mother]