

# TUSCANIA

**Bottinga, Albert Anne**  
**1890 Netherlands – 1969 IN**

202 (16) 5/27/69 *Am*  
**BOTTINGA ALBERT A** *XC* **2 436 920**  
**Cook 107 Engr Tr 32 Div** **K**  
**Beverly Grand Rapids Mich** **A** **2 446 676**  
**Ssn 251 692** **Died** *5/19/69* **T** **467 457**  
**Born 8/9/90** **Chgo** **R**  
**Enl 11/20/17** **Dis 6/7/19** **Ct. 1 216 637**  
**I**  
 U. S. VETERANS BUREAU  
 MAIL AND RECORDS  
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**Albert Anne Bottenga**  
Military • Michigan, Census of World War I Veterans with Card Index, 1917-1919

Name	Albert Anne Bottenga	
Birth Date	9 August 1890	▼
Birthplace	Netherlands	
Residence Place	Grand Rapids, Kent	
Military Final Rank	Private	
Father's Name	<a href="#">Pier Anne Bottenga</a>	
Mother's Name	<a href="#">Pientje Ten Cate Bottenga</a>	
Event Type	Military Service	
Event Date	17 November 1917	▼
Event Place	Kent, Michigan, United States	▼

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MI Census of WWI Veterans – listed as Albert Bottenga, enlisted 17 Nov 1917 at Camp Custer MI. Private in 107 Engrs, 32 Div. Son of Pier Anne Bottenga & Pientje Ten Cate Bottenga.

TYPE OR PRINT PLAINLY WITH UNFADING INK THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD		INDIANA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH				69-018803	
Local No. 02693		MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH				State No.	
PERMANENT INK SEE INSTRUCTIONS		DECEASED—NAME		FIRST	MIDDLE	LAST	SEX
1. ALBERT		A.		BOTTINGA		Male	
2. White		AGE—LAST BIRTHDAY (YEAR)		UNDER 1 YEAR	1 YEAR	DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR)	DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR)
3. 78		4. 8-9-90		5. 1969		6. May 19, 1969	
7. Indianapolis		8. Indianapolis		9. Veterans Administration Hospital		10. Marion	
11. State of Birth (if not in U.S.A.)		12. Citizen of what country		13. Hospital or other institution—NAME (if not in either, "12 STREET AND NUMBER")		14. None	
15. Holland		16. HSA		17. None		18. None	
19. Social Security Number		20. Usual Occupation (give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired)		21. Kind of business or industry		22. Self	
23. Carpenter		24. Carpenter		25. Self		26. Self	
27. Residence—STATE		28. Country		29. City, town or location		30. Inside city limits (specify yes or no)	
31. Indiana		32. Marize		33. Indianapolis		34. Yes	
35. Street and number		36. Was deceased ever in U.S. Armed Forces? (If yes, state war or dates of service)		37. Is residence on a farm?		38. No	
39. 740 N. Belmont		40. Yes		41. No		42. No	
43. Father—NAME		44. First		45. Middle		46. Last	
47. ABRA		48. BOTTINGA		49. Unknown		50. Unknown	
51. Informant—NAME		52. Relationship		53. Mailing address (street or R.F.D. no., city or town, state, ZIP)		54. 1601 W. 10th St., Indpls., Ind. 46202	
55. Veteran Hospital Records		56. None		57. 1601 W. 10th St., Indpls., Ind. 46202		58. 1601 W. 10th St., Indpls., Ind. 46202	
59. Death was caused by:		60. (Enter only one cause per line for no. 61, 62, and 63)		61. Immediate cause		62. Conditions, if any, which gave rise to immediate cause (a), stating the underlying cause last	
63. 518 X		64. Lung abscess		65. unknown		66. unknown	
67. Pneumonia		68. unknown		69. unknown		70. unknown	
71. Cause		72. Part II. Other significant conditions contributing to death but not related to cause given in part I (a)		73. Generalized arteriosclerosis		74. If yes, were previous conditions considered in determining cause of death?	
75. Date & time of death		76. Month		77. Day		78. Year	
79. May 19, 1969		80. 6:05 P		81. May 20, 1969		82. May 20, 1969	
83. Physician's name (type or print)		84. Last in attendance		85. Signature of physician		86. David Rosenbaum M.D.	
87. Mailing address—physician		88. Street or R.F.D. no.		89. City or town		90. State	
91. 1631 West Tenth Street		92. Indianapolis		93. Indiana		94. 46202	
95. Burial, cremation, removal		96. Cemetery, crematory, funeral home		97. Location		98. City or town	
99. Burial		100. Floral Park Cem.		101. Indianapolis		102. Indiana	
103. Date (month, day, year)		104. Funeral home—name and address		105. (street or R.F.D. no., city or town, state, ZIP)		106. May 21, 1969	
107. May 21, 1969		108. Conkle Funeral Home - Speedway		109. Indianapolis		110. Indiana	
111. Health officer—signature		112. Date received by local health officer		113. May 21, 1969		114. May 21, 1969	
115. 115		116. 115		117. 115		118. 115	

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WW I		WW II		KOREA		ORIGINAL	
1. NAME OF DECEASED - LAST - FIRST - MIDDLE (Print or Type)				14. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (City and State)			
Bottinga, Albert A.				Floral Park Cemetery, Indianapolis, Indiana			
2. SERVICE NUMBER		3. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NUMBER		IMPORTANT - Item 18 on reverse side must be completed. See attached instructions and complete and submit both copies.			
251692		C 1 436 920		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.			
4. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, day, year)		5. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, day, year)		NAME OF APPLICANT (Print or Type)			
March 4, 1917		June 7, 1919		John Harrison			
6. STATE		7. DECORATIONS		RELATIONSHIP			
Indiana				Step-son			
8. GRADE OR RANK		9. BRANCH OF SERVICE, COMPANY, REGIMENT, DIVISION		ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Street address, City and State)			
Cook		107th Eng. Tr. 3rd. Div. U.S. Army		R. R. #2 Hanceville, Alabama 35077			
10. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year)		11. DATE OF DEATH (Month, day, year)		SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT		DATE	
August 9, 1890		May 19, 1969		John A. Harrison		5-21-1969	
12. RELIGIOUS EMBLEM (Check one)		13. CHECK TYPE REQUIRED		16. FREIGHT STATION			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LATIN CROSS (Christian)		<input type="checkbox"/> UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Speedway Ind. 46224			
<input type="checkbox"/> STAR OF DAVID (Hebrew)		<input type="checkbox"/> FLAT MARBLE MARKER		17. NAME OF CONSIGNEE WHO WILL TRANSPORT STONE OR MARKER			
<input type="checkbox"/> NO EMBLEM		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FLAT GRANITE MARKER		Hanceville, Alabama			
		<input type="checkbox"/> FLAT BRONZE MARKER		ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE (Street address, City and State)			
				3659 Cascade Rd. Indianapolis, Ind.			
DO NOT WRITE HERE				I HAVE AGREED TO TAKE THE STONE OR MARKER TO THE CEMETERY.			
FOR VERIFICATION		ORDERED		SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE			
25 JUN 1969		11 JUL 1969		Ben F. Patterson			
B/L		CONTRACTOR					
341		Seldow Bronze 397 Bingwood, West Virginia					
COOK 107 ENGR TRAIN 3 DIV 1 UNIT							
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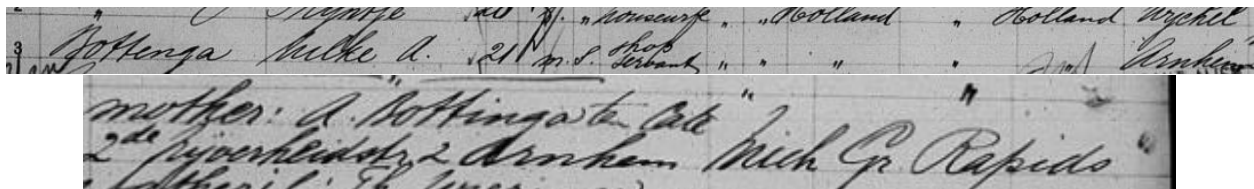
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## Wilke A. Bottenga

Migration • New York Passenger Arrival Lists (Ellis Island), 1892-1924

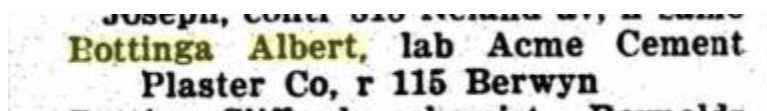
Name	Wilke A. Bottenga
Sex	Male
Age	21 years
Birth Date	1891
Residence Place	Arnhem, Holland
Marital Status	Single
Nationality	Holland, Dutch
Additional Person's Name	<a href="#">A Bottinga</a>
Second Additional Person's Name	<a href="#">C Van Millingen</a>
Event Type	Immigration
Event Date	1912
Event Place	Ellis Island, New York City, New York, United States
Page Number	134
Series Number	T715
Affiliate Publication Title	Passenger and Crew Lists of Vessels Arriving at New York , NY, 1897-1957
Departure Port	Rotterdam, Holland
Ship Name	Rotterdam



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**Bottenga Albert, lab, bds 115 Berwyn**

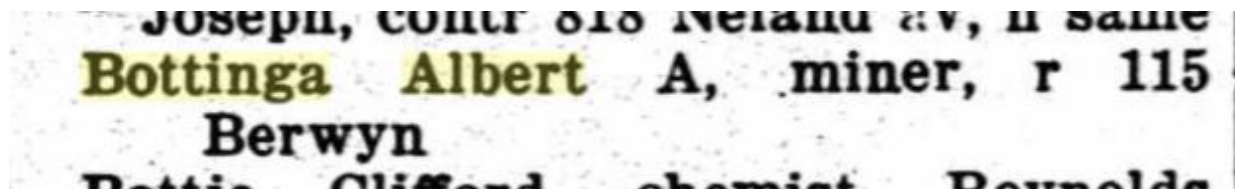
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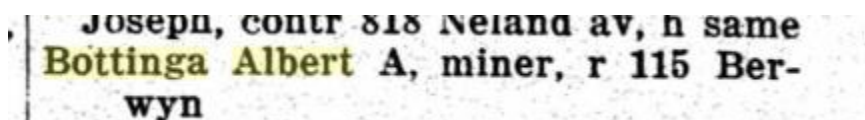
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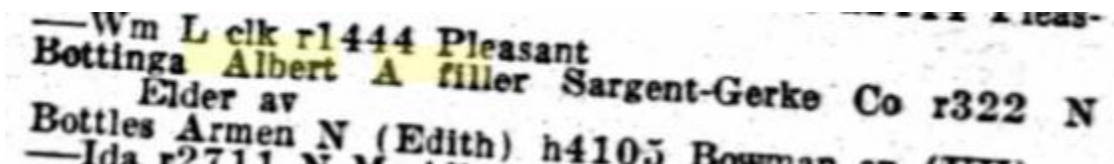
Bottinga, Albert, laborer, Acme Cement Plaster Co., resident of 115 Berwyn -  
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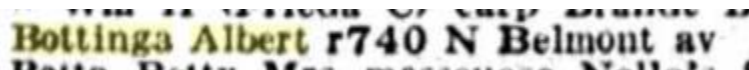
1920 Grand Rapids MI city directory  
 Bottinga, Albert A., miner, resident of 115 Berwyn -  
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1921 Grand Rapids MI city directory - [https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/412355019:2469?tid=&pid=&queryId=5c4ead67-8488-42dd-9c47-15853fcee9ed&\\_phsrc=cPx18230&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/412355019:2469?tid=&pid=&queryId=5c4ead67-8488-42dd-9c47-15853fcee9ed&_phsrc=cPx18230&_phstart=successSource)



1943 Indianapolis IN city directory - [https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1460965417:2469?tid=&pid=&queryId=b52f278a-f489-496f-aa5a-d13375e7ea1e&\\_phsrc=cPx18247&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1460965417:2469?tid=&pid=&queryId=b52f278a-f489-496f-aa5a-d13375e7ea1e&_phsrc=cPx18247&_phstart=successSource)





1958 Indianapolis IN City Directory: Bottinga, Albert, residence 740 N. Belmont -  
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Albert A Battinga

in the U.S., National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, 1866-1938



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Detail	Source
Name	Albert A Battinga
Admission Age	38
Birth Date	abt 1890
Birth Place	Holland
Enlistment Date	4 Mar 1917
Enlistment Place	Lowell, Michigan
Discharge Date	7 Jun 1919
Discharge Place	Op. Custer, Michigan
Military Company	Demob Group.
Military Regiment	107 Engrs Train
Admission Date	1928
Residence Date	1928
Residence Place	Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA
Notes	Northwestern Branch

31612											
Albert A Bottinga (Ser)											
MILITARY HISTORY											
Time and Place of Birth	Rank	Company and Regiment		Time and Place of Discharge	Cause of Discharge	Disabilities when admitted to the Home					
March 4, 1917 Lowell Mich	Cook	Demob Group 107 Engrs Train		June 7, 1919 Camp Custer Cook, Mich	How Dis.	171 Nephrectomy recent Rt. with Discharging S-- Hosp Class B.					
DOMESTIC HISTORY											
Where Born	Age	Height	Complexion	Color of Eyes	Color of Hair	Scars and Warts	Religion	Occupation	Residence Subsequent to Discharge	Married or Single	Name and Address of Nearest Relative
Holland	38	5'4"	White	Blue	Dark	yes	Prot.	Laborer	Chicago Ill.	Married	Wife Pearl Bottinga 609 E. 91 St. Chicago Ill.
HOME HISTORY											
Date of Pension	Date of Admission Re-Admission and Transfer		Conditions of Re-Admission		Date of Discharge and Transfer		Cause of Discharge		Date of Death		Cause of Death
	Adm. 10/11/28				Feb 2, 1929		Dis. DR.				

1928/1929 - Milwaukee WI U.S. National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers: Albert A. Bottinga, age 38, b. Holland, height 5'4", Protestant, laborer, resident of Chicago IL. Married; contact wife Pearl Bottinga, 609 E. 91<sup>st</sup> St., Chicago IL. Enlisted 4 Mar 1917 Lowell MI – cook, Demob Group, 107 Engrs Train – discharged 7 Jun 1919 Camp Custer MI. Admitted 10 Nov 1928; discharged 2 Feb 1929. Nephrectomy recent rt. with discharging S-- - Hospital / Class B.

Life:



# THREE LANSING MEN ON BOARD

WILBUR CLARK, OTTO K. CADY AND GLENN F. DENNISON AMONG SOLDIERS ON TRANSPORT.

## SCORES ARE FROM MICHIGAN

Detroit Journal Transmits Roster of Those Who Were on  
Cunard Liner Sunk in War Zone Tuesday  
Night.

By Associated Press.

DETROIT, Feb. 8.—The Detroit Journal Friday received from its Washington correspondent a list of persons aboard the liner Tuscania. The list includes soldiers and civilians and does not designate the companies to which the men belonged. Eighteen men were from Detroit. The remainder of the list follows:

Lansing—Wilbur Clark, Otto K. Cady, Glenn F. Dennison.  
Bay City—Ralph Story, Marshall J. Smith, sanitary squad;  
Louis Chaltraw, sanitary squad; Barney Mienkiewicz, sanitary squad;  
Richard L. Thomas.

Grand Rapids—Henry Vrondyke, William W. Eaton, Albert A. Bettings.

Muskegon—Arthur J. Siplon.

Misspelled BETTINGS in newspaper accounts - "Lansing (MI) State Journal" Friday 8 Feb 1918 p 1

### STATE MEN WHO SAILED IN TUSCANIA

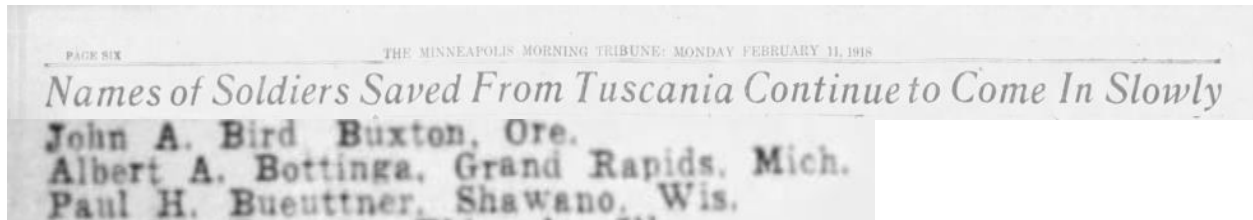
#### Grand Rapids.

Henry Brondyk, private among scattered units. Sister, Helen Age-ma, 312 Fourth street, Grand Rapids.

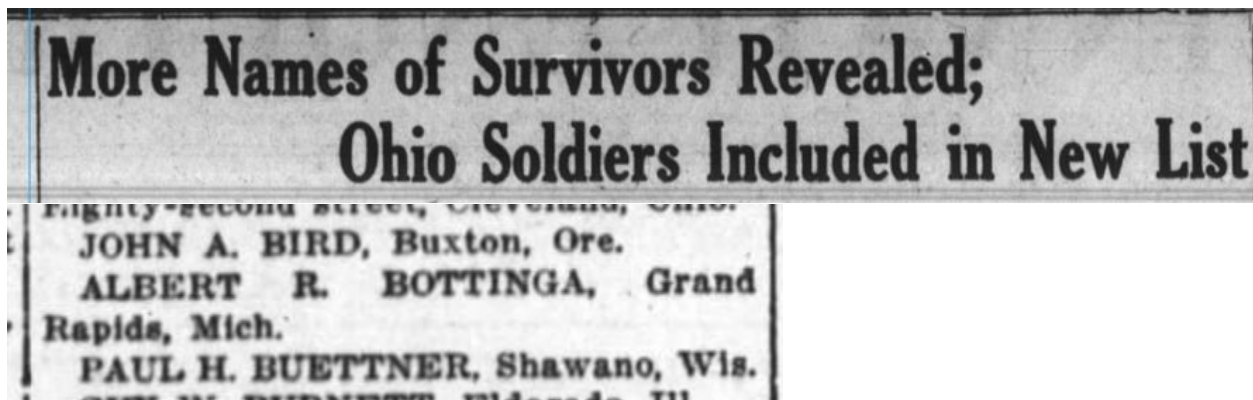
William W. Eaton, private, One Hundred and Seventh Engineer and Supply train. Wife, Mrs. Mary Eaton, 1256 Frederick street, Grand Rapids.

Albert A. Bettings, private, One Hundred and Seventh Engineer and Supply train. Cousin, Pete Oly, Grand Rapids.

"Detroit Free Press" Friday 8 Feb 1918 p 1



“Minneapolis (MN) Star Tribune” Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 6



“Cincinnati (OH) Enquirer” Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 2

### Ninety Michigan Men On Ship.

The following list of names of Michigan men who were aboard the Tuscania is taken from the official ship's roster, telegraphed to Adj. Gen. McCain from the port of embarkation after the Tuscania was reported sunk. In addition to the possibility of mistakes in transmission, the lists had been copied at least three times before they were turned over to the newspapermen and sufficient time had not been allowed for thorough checking up and correction. There are undoubtedly mistakes in spelling of names and names probably have been omitted.

Up to the first of this week a number of these men had not yet been accounted for.

### 107th Engineering Train.

Charles N. Ballentine, first lieut., Port Huron.

Roy Richardson, sergeant, Marquette.

Arthur W. Loga, private, Temperance.

Claude E. Smith, private, Lannon.

William W. Eaton, private, Grand Rapids.

Stephen Bergmooser, private, Carleton.

Eli W. Kittl, private, Oscar.

Albert A. Bettings, private, Grand Rapids.

Oliver T. Knies, cook, Battle Creek.

Glenn F. Dennison, private, Lansing.

William Deacon, private, Negaunee.

Reginald I. Mitchell, private, Tri-mount.

Bernard E. Flicker, corporal, Azalia.

Frank E. Krounze, private, Saginaw.

Roscoe Pettingill, private, Ionia.

John L. Linstrom, sergeant, Marquette.

Patrick J. Harrington, sergeant, Hancock.

Frank J. Crosowski, private, Detroit.

"York (MI) Expositor" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 2

**FORTY-NINE ALIENS  
GET FINAL PAPERS**

**Two World War Veterans  
Are Among the New  
Citizens.**

World war veterans continued to hold the center of the stage in the naturalization hearings in both Circuit and Superior courts Monday. In all 49 foreigners were admitted to citizenship.

Albert Bottinga of Beverly, a miner, was on the ~~Tuscania~~ when it was sunk off the Irish coast and narrowly escaped with his life. Joseph Bukowski, 229 Mount Vernon-st., was on the transport Mount Vernon en route to France and assisted the gun crew in sinking a submarine. Both told their stories in court at the hearings and had little trouble in getting their final papers. Those admitted to citizenship in both courts are:

[listed in the full article]

The Grand Rapids Press  
March 17, 1920

"Grand Rapids (MI) Press" 17 Mar 1920 (on his Find A Grave record 25009595):

Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Walter Soots and children were Clarence Alexander and family, Albert Bottinger and family of Indianapolis; Mrs. Mary Alexander of North Salem, Mrs. Anna Taylor of Hillsdale, Mich., and Lee Alexander and family of Mooresville.

Eclipse, Owens township news - "Jackson County Banner" (Brownstown IN) Wednesday 31 May 1939 p 3

Walter Soots and family entertained a number of relatives and friends Sunday in honor of their son John's 17th birthday anniversary. A delicious dinner was served at the noon hour with covers for Clarence Alexander and family and Albert Bottinga and family of Indianapolis Lee Alexander and family of Mooresville, Russell Beams and family of Bainbridge, Russell Beams Jr. of Greencastle and Bobby Wray. Some from here called in the afternoon. All departed wishing John many more happy anniversaries.

"Jackson County Banner" (Brownstown IN) Wednesday 16 Apr 1941 p 3

Albert Bottinger, Mrs. Quinn and children and J. . Bryant of near Indianapolis spent Sunday with Walter Soots and family.

"Jackson County Banner" (Brownstown (IN) Wednesday 17 Jun 1942 p 3

Wife:



18129. Iva P. Bottinga vs. Albert A. Bottinga. Divorce. Snethen & Summers.

"Indianapolis (IN) Star" Thursday 6 Nov 1941 p 20

**NEWMAN**  
 Mrs. Iva P. Newman, age 71, beloved wife of Donald Newman, mother of Gerald Bryant. Friends may call at the **ROBERT W. STIRLING FUNERAL HOME**, 1420 Prospect. Funeral services Thursday, 1 p.m. Friends invited.

"Indianapolis (IN) News" Wednesday 3 Dec 1969 p 89

pneumonia.  
 Iva Newman, 71, 2002 Albany, carcinoma.

Burial permit – "Indianapolis (IN) News" Friday 5 Dec 1969 p 28

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Disposition Permit  
Issued 12/3/69  
Provisional  
Certificate  
Yes ☒ No ☐

INDIANA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Local No. 01130 State No. 69-046895

PERMANENT INK  
SEE INSTRUCTIONS FOR  
INSTRUCTIONS

DECEASED—NAME FIRST MIDDLE LAST SEX  
1. Iva Pearl Newman female

DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR)  
2. Dec-1-69

RACE  
3. white

AGE—LAST BIRTHDAY (YEAR) MONTH DAY  
4. 71 11 3-28-98

CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION OF DEATH  
5. Beech Grove

HOSPITAL OR OTHER INSTITUTION—NAME (IF NOT IN OTHER, GIVE STREET AND NUMBER)  
6. Turtle Creek Nursing Home

DATE OF BIRTH (IF NOT IN U.S.A.) CHILD OF WHAT COUNTRY  
7. Indiana USA

MARRIED OR NEVER MARRIED (IF NEVER MARRIED, GIVE MAIDEN NAME)  
8. MARRIED ☒ NEVER MARRIED ☐ M. Donald Newman

USUAL RESIDENCE WHERE DECEASED LIVED, IF DEATH OCCURRED IN INSTITUTION, GIVE RESIDENCE BEFORE ADMISSION  
9. Indiana

USUAL OCCUPATION (GIVE KIND OF WORK DONE DURING MOST OF WORKING LIFE, EVEN IF RETIRED)  
10. Doctor

WIDOWED ☐ DIVORCED ☐ H. Donald Newman

RESIDENCE—STATE COUNTY CITY, TOWN OR LOCATION (SPECIFY YES OR NO)  
11. Indiana Marion Indianapolis

INSIDE CITY LIMITS (SPECIFY YES OR NO)  
12. YES

TOWNSHIP  
13. Franklin

STREET AND NUMBER  
14. 7002 Alexander

WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (If yes, give war or dates of service)  
15. YES ☐ NO ☒

FATHER—NAME FIRST MIDDLE LAST MOTHER—MAIDEN NAME FIRST MIDDLE LAST  
16. John W. Alexander Mary Ellen Miller

INFORMANT—NAME RELATIONSHIP MAILING ADDRESS (STREET OR R.F.D. NO., CITY OR TOWN, STATE, ZIP)  
17. Jameison Mabel niece 2446 S. Polk Indianapolis, Indiana

PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: (ENTER ONLY ONE CAUSE PER LINE FOR (a), (b), AND (c))

18. IMMEDIATE CAUSE  
180x IN Brain tumor of Benign Metastatic 18 mos.

CONDITIONS, IF ANY, DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF:  
(a) None  
(b) None  
(c) None

PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO CAUSE GIVEN IN PART I (a)

19. YES ☐ NO ☒ IF YES WERE FINDINGS CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING CAUSE OF DEATH

DATE & TIME OF DEATH MONTH DAY YEAR HOUR DATE SIGNED MONTH DAY YEAR  
20. Dec 15 1969 3:44 PM Dec 22 1969

PHYSICIAN'S NAME (TYPE OR PRINT) SIGNATURE OF PHYSICIAN (DOES OR TITLE)  
21. Ray T. Belding M.D. Ray T. Belding M.D.

MAILING ADDRESS—PHYSICIAN STREET OR R.F.D. NO. CITY OR TOWN STATE ZIP  
22. 100 N. Madison Suite 105 Greenwood Indiana 46142

BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (SPECIFY) CEMETERY, CREMATORY, FUNERAL HOME LOCATION CITY OR TOWN STATE ZIP  
23. Burial Clinton Falls Clinton Falls Indiana

DATE MONTH DAY YEAR FUNERAL HOME—NAME AND ADDRESS (STREET OR R.F.D. NO., CITY OR TOWN, STATE, ZIP)  
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No. 7300 **Marriage License** 1926

Kent County, Michigan

To any person legally authorized to solemnize marriage.

**Greeting:** 41 1576

**Marriage May Be Solemnized Between**

Mr. Albert A. Bottings and M. Pearl Bryant

affidavit having been filed in this office, as provided by Public Act No. 122, Laws of 1927, as amended, by which it appears that said

Albert A. Bottings is 26 years of age, color is white, residence is Grand Rapids, and birthplace was Netherland, occupation is Plasterer, father's name Anne Bottings, and mother's maiden name was Fista Van Cate

has been previously married no time; and that said Pearl Bryant is 23 years of age, color is white, residence is Grand Rapids, and birthplace was Green Castle, Ind., occupation is Waitress, father's name John Alexander, and mother's maiden name was Mary Miller

and who has been previously married two time, and whose maiden name was Alexander, and whose father's or guardian's consent, in case she has not attained the age of eighteen years, has been filed in my office.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto attached my hand and the seal of Kent County, Michigan, this 4th day of Sept, A. D. 1926

Ralph F. Wagner  
*R. F. Wagner*

**Certificate of Marriage**

Between Mr. Albert A. Bottings and M. Pearl Bryant

I hereby certify that in accordance with the above license, the persons herein mentioned were joined in marriage by me, at Grand Rapids, County of Kent, Michigan, on the 2nd day of September, A. D. 1926, in the presence of Ralph Huttley of Grand Rapids and Lucille Anderson of Grand Rapids as witnesses.

John C. Loucks  
Name of Magistrate or Clergyman

Justice of the Peace  
Official Title.

This copy is to be retained by the County Clerk and forwarded at the first of the following dates: 1576, 2749, 50. It is to be completed by endorsement of Health.

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Indiana, Marriages, 1810-2001

[View record](#)

Name	Pearl Alexander
Gender	Female
Race	White
Age	20
Event Type	Marriage Registration (Marriage)
Birth Date	28 Mar 1898
Birth Place	Ladoga, Montgomery, Indiana
Marriage Date	3 Mar 1919
Marriage Place	Indiana, United States
Residence Place	South Bend, Indiana
Father	John Alexander
Mother	Mary Ellen Miller
Spouse	Ora Bryant
Officiator	W M Warner
Page	304

Marriage to William Orion Bryant 1919 – [https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/150698973/person/352000230222/facts?\\_phsrc=cPx18215&\\_phstart=succesSource](https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/150698973/person/352000230222/facts?_phsrc=cPx18215&_phstart=succesSource)

1912-10-28-24-1924

COUNTY KENT MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS 41 846  
DOCKET No. 7708

### DIVORCE RECORD

Name of each Pearl Bryant Age 20  
Ora Bryant Age 24

State or Country in which married Indiana Date 3/3/19

Date of Filing Petition 5-6-25 Who was Libellant Wife (Husband or Wife)

Was Case Contested No (Yes or No) Date of Decree or Judgment Aug 8 25

Cause for Which Divorced Extremes and repeated Cruelty and Non support

NAMES AND AGES OF ALL CHILDREN IN FAMILY

8 Aug 1925 - divorce from William Bryant - extreme & repeated cruelty & non-support - [https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/9092/images/41327\\_335143-00347?pld=224433](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/9092/images/41327_335143-00347?pld=224433)



*Ora Bryant*  
TO  
*Pearl Alexander*

**Be It Remembered,** That on this 2nd day of March, 1918,  
The Clerk of the St. Joseph Circuit Court issued a Marriage License, of  
which the following is a true Record, to-wit:

STATE OF INDIANA, ST. JOSEPH COUNTY, ss:

To Any Person Empowered by Law to Solemnize Marriage, Greeting:

**You are Hereby Authorized** to join together as HUSBAND AND WIFE  
*Ora Bryant* and *Pearl Alexander*  
and of this, together with your Certificate of Marriage, make due return within three months, according to the laws  
of the State of Indiana.

WITNESS, *George M. Raab*, Clerk of our St. Joseph Circuit Court, and the Seal thereof, heretofore  
affixed at South Bend, this 3rd day of March, A. D., 1918.

(Seal) *Wilbur M. Warner* Clerk

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy

**Be It Further Remembered,** That afterwards to-wit: On the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D., 191\_\_\_\_,  
the following certificate was filed in my office, to-wit:

STATE OF INDIANA, ST. JOSEPH COUNTY, ss:

I, *R. H. Henseth* of said County, do hereby certify that on  
the 2nd day of March, A. D., 1918, I joined in Marriage  
*Ora Bryant* and *Pearl Alexander*  
by authority of Law, and a License from the Clerk of the St. Joseph Circuit Court.

Given under my hand, this 3rd day of March, 1918.

*R. H. Henseth*  
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE - JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THOMPSON

<u>Irwin Harold E.</u>	Husband	M	31 years	Jackson, Michigan	^
	Sex	Male			
	Age	31 years			
	Birth Date	1894			
	Birthplace	Jackson, Michigan			
	Spouse's Sex	Female			
	Spouse's Age	27 years			
	Spouse's Birth Date	1898			
	Spouse's Birthplace	Greencastle, Indiana			
	Event Type	Marriage			
	Event Date	1925			
	Event Place	Grand Rapids, Kent, Michigan, United States			
	Reference	v 5 rn 4863			

Marriage of Iva Alexander Bryan to Harold E. Irwin on 11 Aug 1925 -

<https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/sources/LDQC-WLG>



## Iva Pearl Bryant

Marriage • Indiana Marriages, 1811-2019

Name	<a href="#">Donald Newman</a>	
Sex	Male	
Birth Date	17 October 1895	▼
Birthplace	Rushville, , Indiana	
Residence Place	Indianapolis, ,	
Race	White	
Number of Previous Marriages	once	
Father's Name	<a href="#">Theodore E Newman</a>	
Father's Sex	Male	
Mother's Name	<a href="#">Mayme Alice Shepler</a>	
Mother's Sex	Female	
Spouse's Name	Iva Pearl Bryant	
Spouse's Sex	Female	
Spouse's Birth Date	28 March 1898	▼
Spouse's Birthplace	Greencastle, , Indiana	
Spouse's Race	White	
Spouse's Previous Marriage Number	twice	
Spouse's Father's Name	<a href="#">John Alexander</a>	
Spouse's Father's Sex	Male	
Spouse's Mother's Name	<a href="#">Mary Ellen Miller</a>	
Officiator's Name	<a href="#">Geo G Kimsey</a>	
Marriage Place	Indiana	
Event Type	Marriage License	
Event Date	27 October 1951	▼
Event Place	Putnam, Indiana, United States	▼
Page Number	528	

Marriage to Donald Newman on 2 Nov 1951 -  
<https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/sources/LDQC-WLG>

Partner:

Emmett O. Harrison.....	R. R. 18, Box 167
Elsie E. Tharp.....	3232 West Ninth

**BIRTHS.**

Roy, Elva Karnes, 2944 Hillside, boy.  
Emmett, Elsie Harrison, 2025½ W. Michi-  
gan, boy.

Son John Harrison born 8 months before his father's death - "Indianapolis (IN) News"  
Friday 5 Jan 1940 p 29

### EMMETT HARRISON.

Emmett Harrison, 38 years old, a resident of Indianapolis nearly all his life, died Saturday night in his home, 2025½ West Michigan street, after an illness of three weeks.

Mr. Harrison, a native of Madison, was a member of the Bartenders' Union.

Survivors are the widow, Mrs. Elsie Harrison; two children, John Howard Harrison and Martha Ann Harrison; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harrison; two sisters, Mrs. Esther Stark and Mrs. Martha Thompson, and two brothers, Everett Harrison and Fred Harrison.

With exception of Fred Harrison, of Waukegan, Ill., all are of Indianapolis.

Funeral services will be at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the Conkle funeral home. Burial will be in Floral Park cemetery.

"Indianapolis (IN) Star" Monday 9 Sep 1940 p 13

**HARRISON**—Emmett (Ike), age 38 years, beloved husband of Elsie Harrison, father of Martha Ann and John Howard Harrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harrison, brother of Mrs. Esther Stark, Mrs. Martha Thompson, Everett and Fred Harrison, passed away Saturday evening at residence, 2025½ W. Michigan st. Services Tuesday, 2 p. m., Conkle Funeral Home. Friends invited. Burial Floral Park. Friends may call at the funeral home.

"Indianapolis (IN) Star" Monday 9 Sep 1940 p 20

**HARRISON**  
 Mrs. Elsie Harrison, age 56, 740 N. Belmont, mother of Mrs. Martha Ann Hess, and John H. Harrison, sister of Mrs. Hazel Johnson, Mrs. Eva Dolan and Miss Ruby Tharp and Everett Tharp, good friend of Albert Bottinga, 8 grandchildren, passed away Sunday. Services Wednesday 11:30 p.m., **CONKLE FUNERAL HOME** **SPEEDWAY CHAPEL**, 4925 W. 16th St. Friends may call at the funeral home.

"Indianapolis (IN) Star" Wednesday 2 Nov 1966 p 39

**HARRISON**—Our sincere thanks to the kind friends neighbors and relatives for expressions of sympathy, spiritual bouquets, beautiful flowers and other courtesies extended during the illness and at the passing of our beloved wife and mother  
**ELSIE HARRISON**  
 We especially wish to thank the nurses and doctors of Emergency Ward, General Hospital, Dr. Young, Rev. Mark E. Beymer and the Conkle Funeral Home for wonderful services.  
 —Son, John H. Harrison, Daughter, Martha Ann Hess, Husband, Alfred Bottinga, and Family.

"Indianapolis News" Tuesday 8 Nov 1966 p 32 – in a family card of thanks, appreciation for assistance from the son & daughter of recently deceased Elsie Harrison. Listed as her husband is Albert Bottinga.

Stepchildren:

<a href="#">Theodore Bryant</a>	Son	M	10y 3m 19d	South Bend, IN	^
Name	<a href="#">Theodore Bryant</a>				
Sex	Male				
Age	10y 3m 19d				
Birth Date	12 Apr 1920				
Birthplace	South Bend, IN				
Residence Date	31 Jul 1930				
Residence Place	Chicago, Cook, IL				
Address	1027 Dill Ave.				
Burial Date	03 Aug 1930				
Burial Place	Jamestown, IN				
Occupation	schoolboy				
Race	White				
Father's Name	<a href="#">Ora Bryant</a>				
Father's Sex	Male				
Father's Birthplace	TN				
Mother's Name	Pearl Alexander				
Mother's Sex	Female				
Mother's Birthplace	Greencastle, IN				
Event Type	Death				
Event Date	31 Jul 1930				
Event Place	Waukegan, Lake, Illinois				
Cemetery	Mt. Pleasant Cem.				
Source Details	26355				
Microfilm Number	1644132				
Indexing Batch	B00455-4				

Stepson Theodore Gilbert Bryant (1920-1930) -

<https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/sources/LDQC-WLG>



## 2 DEAD; TWO AILING FROM SPINAL ILLS

State Doctor Investigating  
Epidemic At Fish Lake Boys  
Camp; Fourth Case Appears  
At Druce Lake Today.

City, county and state health authorities today were conducting an inquiry into an outbreak of spinal meningitis, at Camp Duncan, a west side Chicago Y. M. C. A. summer camp located one mile north of Volo on Fish lake, which claimed two lives yesterday and today, and sent two other youths to local hospitals where their conditions are regarded as serious. Health authorities are of the opinion that the disease will not spread.

Dr. Andy Hall, state health director, today sent Drs. Daring and Van Wormer of Springfield to the camp, where an investigation is being made. Dr. Daring had made no official announcement late today.

William Nalmet, 13, of 1227 South Spaulding avenue, Chicago, died yesterday soon after being brought to the St. Therese hospital from the camp. Theodore Bryant, 10, of 1027 Till avenue, Chicago, died this morning at the same hospital. Tests of serum taken from their spinal columns proved that spinal meningitis was the cause of death, Dr. Howard C. Hoag announced today.

### Druce Lake Boy Ill

Harry Craig, 4, of Druce Lake, is in a serious condition at the Lake County hospital, under strict quarantine, and is believed to be suffering from the same disease.

Alfred Esser, 10, of 1019 South Damen avenue, Chicago, was rushed to the St. Therese hospital yesterday afternoon from the camp, believed to be suffering from the disease. Although hospital authorities would make no statement, R. P. Bowdon, director of the "Y" camp, said today that the youth was not suffering from spinal meningitis. His ailment was described as "ear trouble."

Camp Duncan, in operation during

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## 2 DEAD; TWO AILING FROM SPINAL ILLS

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the past ten summers, has 200 boys in barracks there at the present time. Mr. Bowdon, director of the camp, would make no announcement of the spread of the disease today.

The State health director has made no official announcement yet.

Physicians were puzzled yesterday by the sudden death of the Naimet youth, starting an immediate inquiry which revealed that spinal meningitis was the cause of death. The camp was immediately quarantined, and the Esser youth, believed to have been stricken, was rushed to the local hospital.

Health officers today announced that the "epidemic" was under control. The disease spreads by contact with infected persons, by towels, eating utensils, and objects handled by persons suffering from the disease.

"While we do not believe it possible that any case of this disease will be found in Waukegan, we are ordering all parents whose children become ill to immediately report the affair to my office," Dr. Howard C. Hoag said today. "We are not fearing an outbreak in Waukegan, however," he added.

The inquiry into the outbreak was well under way this afternoon. Dr. Leon G. Brackett and Dr. John E. Freeland, who treated the two youths who died, and are now treating the Esser boy and the Craig child, would not say definitely whether or not the dead youths had died of spinal meningitis, or whether the two youths now in the hospitals were infected with it. They admitted however, that the two youths had the "same indications as those who died."

According to tests made by the health department, the dead youths had spinal meningitis.

had spinal meningitis.

Other than announcing that the camp was to be placed under strict quarantine, Drs. Van Wormer and Daring of the state department had nothing to say concerning the outbreak of the disease.

## MENINGITIS FATAL TO TWO CHILDREN AT LAKE CO. CAMP

Waukegan, Ill., July 31—Spinal meningitis today took the lives of two children from Camp Duncan, the camp conducted by the Chicago west side Y. M. C. A. in Lake county.

The victims, Theodore Bryant, 10, and William Malmst, 13, were among 200 children enjoying a vacation at the resort. They became ill Tuesday night and were brought here to a hospital.

State health authorities were expected here this afternoon to open an investigation.

"Belvidere (IL) Republican-Northwestern" Friday 1 Aug 1930 p 1

## **MENINGITIS IS CAUSE OF DEATHS**

### **Two Chicago Boy Campers Are Dead of Disease**

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—(A.P.)—Two Chicago boys who were attending a west side Y. M. C. A. camp at Fish Lake, near Volo, are dead of spinal meningitis and a physician dispatched by the state health department visited the camp today to determine whether others have been infected.

William Nalmet, 13, Chicago, died shortly after he was brought to St. Theresa hospital yesterday and Theodore Bryant, 10, Chicago, died today. After a test of spinal fluid Dr. Howard C. Hoag, Waukegan health commissioner, pronounced both deaths due to spinal meningitis.

Harry Craig, four year old boy of Bruce's Lake, is ill of the same disease at the county hospital. He was not an attendant at the camp.

Another of the campers, Alfred Esser, 10, Chicago, was brought to the hospital suffering from an ear affliction.

The camp opened June 14 and was scheduled to close Aug. 30.

The camp was quarantined by state health officials today. None of the physicians at the camp would say whether other boys had become ill.

## 'Y' CAMP CLOSES AS 2 DIE FROM MENINGITIS

Waukegan, Ill., Aug. 1 (I.N.S.)—Two youths were dead today and two others were under observation as state health authorities quarantined 200 Chicago boys following an outbreak of spinal meningitis at a Y. M. C. A. vacation camp at Fish Lake.

The dead are William Nalmet, 13, and Theodore Bryant, 10, both of Chicago. Two others, suspected of having the dread disease, are at St. Theresa Hospital here.

"Camden (NJ) Evening Courier" Friday 1 Aug 1930 p 1




<a href="#">Gerald D Bryant</a>	Son	M	36	Columbus, , Ohio	^
Name	<a href="#">Gerald D Bryant</a>				
Sex	Male				
Birth Date	7 May 1921				▼
Birthplace	Columbus, , Ohio				
Residence Place	Indianapolis, ,				
Race	White				
Number of Previous Marriages	once				
Father's Name	<a href="#">Ora Bryant</a>				
Father's Sex	Male				
Mother's Name	Iva Alexander				
Mother's Sex	Female				
Spouse's Name	<a href="#">Dorothy Anne Kurtz</a>				
Spouse's Sex	Female				
Spouse's Residence Place	Indianapolis, ,				
Spouse's Birth Date	25 October 1935				▼
Spouse's Birthplace	, Marion, Indiana				
Spouse's Race	White				
Spouse's Father's Name	<a href="#">Arza Kurtz</a>				
Spouse's Father's Sex	Male				
Spouse's Mother's Name	<a href="#">Dorothy Amick</a>				
Officiator's Name	<a href="#">Marvin W Cook</a>				
Marriage Place	Martinsville, Indiana				
Event Type	Marriage License				
Event Date	31 August 1957				▼
Event Place	Morgan, Indiana, United States				
Page Number	456				

Stepson Gerald Douglas Bryant (1921-1994) – marriage to Dorothy Anne Kurtz in 1957 - <https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/sources/LDQC-WLG>

## Gerald D Bryant

in the Indiana, U.S., Marriages, 1810-2001



 Report a problem

Detail	Source
Name	Gerald D Bryant
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	21
Event Type	Marriage Registration (Marriage)
Birth Date	7 May 1921
Birth Place	Ohio
Marriage Date	23 Sep 1942
Marriage Place	Indianapolis, Indiana, United States
Residence Place	Indianapolis
Father	<a href="#">Ora Bryant</a>
Mother	<a href="#">Iva P Alexander</a>
Spouse	<a href="#">Ruth E Quinn</a>
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Marriage to Ruth Evelyn Jones Quinn on 23 Sep 1942 -

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### CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH

STATE OF INDIANA

DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

Local No. 60  
Registered No. 42251

1. County of Marion  
Township of Marion  
City of Marion  
(If birth occurred in a hospital or institution, give the NAME instead of street and number.)  
(No. 11 Marion Hospital St.)

2. FULL NAME OF CHILD JOHN W. W. W.  
(If child is not yet named, make appropriate report.) (Please Print Child's Name)

3. Sex Male 4. Twin, triplet, or other None 5. Presentation Normal 6. Position Left 7. Date of Birth Aug 31 1957  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

8. Full name John W. W. W. 9. Full name John W. W. W.  
FATHER MOTHER

10. Postoffice Address 1725 E. 10th St. Apt 22 11. Postoffice Address 1725 E. 10th St. Apt 22

12. Color White 13. Age at Birth 22 14. Color White 15. Age at Birth 22  
(Years) (Years)

16. Birthplace Indiana 17. Birthplace Indiana  
(State or country) (State or country)

18. Trade, occupation, or particular kind of work done, or business, etc. Teacher 19. Trade, occupation, or particular kind of work done, or business, etc. Teacher

20. Industry or business in which work was done, or was done, lawyer's office, etc. Marion 21. Industry or business in which work was done, or was done, lawyer's office, etc. Marion

22. Total time (years) spent in this work 5 23. Total time (years) spent in this work 5

24. Number of children born to this mother, including present birth 1 25. Number of children, of this mother, now living, including present birth 1 26. Date when, but now dead, 0

27. If stillbirth, period of gestation 36 weeks 28. Cause of stillbirth None (Before labor) (During labor)

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE

I hereby certify that I attended the birth of this child, who was born at 11:30 A.M. on the date above stated.

(Signature) J. R. R. R.  
Address Marion, Indiana

Filed Oct 1 1957  
Health Officer John W. W. W.

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CIRCUIT COURT

Jane Sergeant vs. Bryan W. Sergeant.  
Thelma H. Wright vs. George R. Wright.  
Doris Herald vs. Glen Herald.  
Dorothy Bryant vs. Gerald Bryant.  
Frances Tearman vs. John Otis Tearman.

Married 31 Aug 1957 – divorce action Nov 1957 – “Indianapolis (IN) Star” Tuesday 5 Nov 1957 p 12

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## Services Arranged for Two Crash Victims

Last rites for Dorothy Ann Kurtz, 23, 120 N. Oriental, and JoAnn Lyon, 26, 5702 Garden Dr., two of three young women killed yesterday in a car-truck crash at Delaware and McCarty Streets, will be held in Indianapolis.

Services for Mrs. Kurtz will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Shirley Brothers Drexel Chapel, with burial at 1 p.m. in Eastern Cemetery, Jeffersonville.

Mrs. Lyon will be buried in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Glens Valley, after services at 10 a.m. tomorrow in the J. C. Wilson Chapel of the Chimes.

A life resident of Indianapolis, Mrs. Kurtz had worked the past nine months as a key punch operator for Stark

Wetzel & Co. She was a member of the Eagles Auxiliary, YWCA, and Arius Court, Ben Hur Life Association. Survivors are a daughter, Edith Ann Kurtz; her father, Arza Kurtz, and her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Amick.

Born at Batesville, Mrs. Lyon lived in Indianapolis since she was 8. For four years she had worked for Stark Wetzel & Co. Survivors are the husband, Alfred W. Lyon; a son, William Lyon; a daughter, Karen Lyon; a brother, Delton Demaree, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Demaree.

Rites for the third crash victim, Sandra Sue Swanfelt, 17, are being arranged at her home, Elwood.

"Indianapolis (IN) News" Thursday 16 Jul 1959 p 22

**KURTZ**-Mrs. Dorothy Ann, age 23 years of 120 N. Oriental St., passed away Wednesday, mother of Little Edith Ann Kurtz, daughter of Arza Kurtz, Sunland, Calif., granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Amick, Indianapolis. Times of service later. **SHIRLEY SERVICE.**

"Indianapolis (IN) News" Wednesday 15 Jul 1959 p 39

INDIANA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS  
CORONER'S CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Local No. **3303** Death No. **023715**

1. PLACE OF DEATH  
a. COUNTY **Marion**  
b. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION **Indianapolis**  
c. Length of stay in the city, town, or location **23 yrs**  
d. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION **McGarity Schlarman**  
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived if different from residence before admission)  
a. COUNTY **Marion**  
b. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION **Indianapolis**  
c. STREET ADDRESS **120 N. Oriental**  
d. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐ e. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☐

3. NAME OF DECEASED **DOROTHY**  
4. SEX **Female**  
5. COLOR OR RACE **White**  
6. DATE OF BIRTH **10/15/1935**  
7. AGE (In years, months, days, hours, minutes) **23**  
8. DATE OF DEATH **7-15-1959**  
9. AGENT (In years, months, days, hours, minutes) **23**  
10. MARRIAGE (State or foreign country) **Indiana**  
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## Gerald Bryant

in the Web: Marion County, Indiana, U.S., Marriage Index, 1925-2012



### Detail Source

Name	Gerald Bryant
Gender	Male
Marriage Date	7 Mar 1959
Marriage Place	Marion, Indiana, USA
Spouse	Martha Lewis

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Marriage to Martha Lewis on 7 Mar 1959 - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/38858224:70441>

## Gerald D Bryant

in the California, U.S., Divorce Index, 1966-1984



### Detail Source

Name	Gerald D Bryant
Spouse Name	Martha L Ferguson
Location	Los Angeles City
Date	Sep 1967

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1198798:1141>

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Name [Gerald Douglas Bryant](#)

Sex **Male**

Mother's Name **Alexander**

Event Type **Death**

Event Date **18 Sep 1994**

Event Place **San Bernardino, California, United States**

Birth Date **07 May 1921**

Birthplace **Ohio**

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# Roundup nabs absent parents

By JAN CLEVELAND  
Sun Staff Writer

SAN BERNARDINO — In a massive round-up coordinated by the San Bernardino County District Attorney's office, more than 45 absent parents had been arrested by Tuesday morning for

investigation of failing to support their children.

The district attorney's office has warrants for the arrest of more than 100 absent parents and expects to arrest most of the remainder by Friday. The roundup began at 6 p.m. Monday, said investigator Bill Eix of the district attorney's office.

It is the first mass roundup of absent parents — mostly fathers — in San Bernardino County. If the 100 parents can be made to support their children and repay the county for welfare grants those children have received, the savings to taxpayers could be as high as \$3.5 million, Eix said.

About 80 of the 100 persons sought have children who are receiving welfare assistance in the form of cash grants, he said.

All the 45 persons arrested from 6 p.m. Monday to 6 a.m. Tuesday have been booked into San Bernardino County Jail, with bail set at \$500, Eix said.

Those sought are parents who are separated or divorced from their spouses and who have made agreements to support their children and then failed to uphold them.

Most of the absent parents were subpoenaed in the past to return to court, but failed to appear, Eix said. Nearly all the warrants were issued for failure to appear, he said, although some were for failure to pay child support.

The roundup is the result of two months of planning and investigators from the district attorney's office are working with more than 16 law enforcement agencies.


Monday night's arrests were made by law enforcement officers from various San Bernardino

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Ronald James Davis, 19, Chino; Gerald D. Bryant, 59, Chino; Edward Washington, age and address unavailable; James Arnette, age and address unavailable; Ronald Estab, 37, Northridge.

“San Bernardino (CA) County Sun” Wednesday 15 Oct 1980 p 1 and p 3

Sibling:



**Catharina Johanna Bottinga**  
 17 September 1892 – Deceased • GMZ2-N1Z

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Gerald Douglas (J.D.) Bryant & wife Ruth Evelyn Jones -  
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# My ex-step grandfather and the only father my father ever knew

Contributed By

T Terri Terry

J.D. (which is the name that we always knew him by) had only one good eye. The other eye was damaged when he fell on a stick that Eddie has left sticking straight out of the ground in the back yard. He also had a messed up hand from getting hit by a truck right outside Buena Park. It was not too far from our house on Darlington, and I remember being told that that was the place that JD got hit.

JD had a 2nd wife after Ruth and had a dau., Edith. The wife died while the girl was young and JD m. 3rd. Martha. and had children, Candy, Jerry, and Mike.

JD was a really nice guy. I don't remember many times when I saw him angry. He could be stern, but he wasn't ever violent. And he was always really friendly to everybody. He drank a lot of beer, but like most of the family, he was a "functional alcoholic." Unlike Uncle Eddie, I don't think JD ever did the hard stuff like vodka.

Like most of the family, JD and Martha moved from Indiana out to California. Martha was best friends with Charlotte's sister-in-law Martha Ellen (Alexander) Cory, and the two families always lived pretty close to each other.

JD and Martha and kids were very close to us while we were growing up. Deanna was the flower girl for either Edith or Candy's wedding (can't remember which). We had a lot of family get-togethers with JD and Martha and their kids, Martha Ellen and her kids, and Aunt Charlotte and Uncle Clem with their kids. I remember going over to JD and Martha's on several occasions. They never seemed to stay at one house or apartment very long. Edith, Candy, Jerry, Mike, Deanna, and I, spent many times playing monopoly, speed, war, and other card and board games.

One time, we had a family picnic at some park somewhere around Anaheim. It consisted of our family, JD's family, Charlotte's family, grandma Ruth, and possibly Martha Cory's family but I'm not for sure they were there. It had this insanely high wall that overlooked a river. The park was on top of the wall. You could stand on the ground, look over the wall (which at this side was only a couple of feet high), and look down some 20 feet to the concrete and rock below. There was a stairway for getting down to the river, and all us kids went down there to explore. One of the cousins found a storm drain and claimed that it went all the way through under the park and came out the other side. So we all tried to go through it. Luckily, before we got too far in, the parents came and got us. We all got very much in trouble. I "re-found" that same park as an adult, and was glad to see that there is now a fence on top of the wall to keep people from falling. I heard that the reason they put that there was because some little kid fell. It's always such a shame that somebody always has to die before people do something about dangerous situations.

JD always owned or worked at bars the whole time I was growing up. We often visited him there even though kids aren't supposed to be allowed in bars. It was in one of JD's bars that I first learned to like Polska dogs and play pool. The bars were always dark, and often had paintings done on black velvet. My dad did a large painting for one of JD's bars to hang up over the bar. It was of a nude devil woman with horns and a tail. I don't know what ever happened to it.

For most of the time I can remember, they lived in and around Chino. One memory I had was the time that my dad and JD went in together to raise a hog for slaughter. On the day it was to be slaughtered, we went down to the "farm" to watch the slaughtering and take home the meat. I didn't watch the slaughtering, but I did see the pig hanging up after being killed. We took home so much meat that our freezer was totally packed - and that was a full size upright freezer!

JD was pretty much the only father my father ever knew even though officially he could only be considered an "ex-step" father. He was also the closest thing I ever had to a grandfather although he had kids my age and younger. I never really got to spend time with him as a grandfather though.

JD and Martha posed in the family photos as my grandparents for my first wedding (to Ray Williams).

The last address for JD and Martha Bryant was 15378 Sequoia Ave Apt F Hesperia CA 92345 Phone # (619) 947-5096. They moved up to Hesperia right before we moved to Victorville. They lived in a sleazy little apartment right off of Bear Valley road. We had planned to have them and my parents over as soon as we got the house put together and fixed up, but since that took years (and is still going on while I'm writing this), we never got around to it before JD and Martha died.

J. D. Died at abt 3:00 am at home.



He died of apparent suicide by a 22 caliber gun to the head. J.D had been suffering with emphysema and was not expected to live long. He had been concerned with the mounting cost of his medical treatment and didn't want to cause any more expense to his family. His expected death was the reason that when he was found dead, the coroner just assumed it was a natural death.

He was picked up at home by Mortuary Transport employee (Inland Empire Transportation, Inc) Ken Terry (step-grandson in law) for Kern Mortuary. Ken did not recognize JD and did not know JD's real name was Gerald until after he had taken him to Kern Mortuary.

Ken had been dispatched to the call from Kern as a natural death, but when he started to bag up the body, he found a bullet hole in the temple, and so he had to call back in the Coroner. There was no gun present, so quite a scene followed. It went from being a natural death, to being a possible homicide. Finally, the family confessed that one of the kid's husband had hidden the gun to try to cover up the suicide because they didn't want everyone to know that JD had killed himself.

Ken came home after the call and was talking about this crazy case that he just had that was supposed to be a natural death, then became a homicide, which then became a suicide. He had only met JD and Martha a couple of times, and he didn't recognize them at all during the call. Also, he knew JD as "JD" and so he didn't connect the name Gerald Douglas Bryant with "JD." It was later on that morning that my parents called me with the news that JD had died. The family totally tried to hide the fact that JD had committed suicide. They actually told my dad that JD had died of emphysema.

When I told Ken that JD had died and asked him if he could find out what Mortuary he was taken to, and other details, he finally put two and two together - The natural death/homicide/suicide case was JD! This left me with quite a problem. My dad was extremely distraught at the idea that JD would have died so soon and so suddenly. Yes, he was dying of emphysema - BUT he wasn't that bad off yet. He shouldn't have died so quickly! Legally, I can't talk about any mortuary or coroner cases - NO MATTER WHAT. Talking about the case could have cost Ken his job. BUT was I supposed to leave my dad so upset and confused?

I finally decided to tell my dad what happened. He deserved to know. It turned out to be the best thing - especially for Martha and her kids. Suicide was something that my dad could understand given JD's circumstances. When I told him that JD had committed suicide, he admitted that JD had even shown him the .22, and discussed it with him. Although he was sad that JD was gone, my dad didn't blame JD for doing it.

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Martha and the kids continued to keep everything quiet. They had a direct cremation with no service - not even a public memorial service. Of course, the police were still keeping a close eye on the case. They didn't quite buy that hiding the gun thing, but Ken let them know that JD had bought the gun himself for the purpose of suicide - so no charges against the family were ever brought. I think it turned out to be Candy's husband who supposedly hid the gun. Considering the seriousness of the action, you'd think that anybody with the least bit of brains would know better than to make a suicide look like a homicide by removing the suicide weapon. The funny thing is that since our local coroners don't like to actually touch a dead body, they almost got away with hiding the gun. The coroner was more than willing to consider it a natural death without even looking closely at the body. But even if Ken hadn't of found the bullet wound, it would have been found out later at the mortuary. The mortuary has to take a picture of the face for identification purposes before the body goes to the crematory. Imagine the ruckus if the guys over at Kerns had found a bullet wound on a body that was supposed to have died of natural causes! The Coroners office, the police, and everybody involved would have been publically racked over the coals AND THEN the family WOULD have ended up in jail!

My dad was upset that they didn't have some sort of memorial service. To all intents and purposes, JD was my dad's father. Imagine if your parents got divorced and remarried, and your step mom refused to invite you to any family gathering or funeral!

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Gerald Douglas (J.D.) Bryant – 1 Sep 1942 -  
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Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

**Name: Albert Anne Bottinga**

Name variations: Original name Uilke Bottinga. Emigrated 1912 & used the name Albert Anne Bottinger. Later he dropped "Anne" & only used the initial "A."

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Eng. - private

Serial number: 251,692

Entered service from: Grand Rapids MI (lies in both Kent & Ontonagon counties)

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Albert A. Bottinga

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": cousin Pete Oly, 115 Berwyn St., Grand Rapids MI

Returned from war on: "Haverford" May 1919 - was listed on original manifest with note "transferred to s & w" - then recorded on a 2<sup>nd</sup> listing with "sick & wounded"

Sailed on return ship as: Albert A. Bottinga

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: friend Peter Oli, 155 Berwyn St., Grand Rapids MI (cook, 107th Engr Train)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Albert Anne Bottinga (also card was signed this way) - b. 8 Aug 1890 Arnheim, Gelderland, Netherlands; res: 115 Berwyn Ave., Beverly, Wyoming township, Grand Rapids, Kent MI. Single. Declarant. Support of his dependent mother. Gypsum miner at Acme Cement Plaster Co., Beverly, Wyoming township, Kent Co. MI. Had served in the infantry in Arnheim, Netherlands, for 10 months for Gelderland.

World War II draft registration (1942): as Albert A. Bottinga [the A being "initial only"] b. 9 Aug 1890 Arnheim, Netherlands; res: 939 E. Market, Indianapolis, Marion IN. Employed at Shirley Corporation, 330 E. St. Joseph, Indianapolis. Was 5'4" & weighed 148 lbs. Contact: Clarence Alexandar [sic] of 939 E. Market, Indianapolis IN.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 20 Nov 1917

Discharged 7 Jun 1919

Address: Beverly, Grand Rapids MI

Rank/unit: cook, 107 Engr Train, 32<sup>nd</sup> Div.

Birth & death:

Born: 9 Aug 1890 Arnheim, Gelderland, Netherlands

Died: 19 May 1969 Indianapolis, Marion IN (Veterans Administration Hospital)

Find A Grave record: 25009595, presence on Tuscania noted in text & flower

Burial location: Indianapolis, Marion IN

Cemetery: Floral Park

Tombstone: veteran flat - Indiana Cook 107 Engr Train 3 Div WWI

Father: Anne Pietra Bottinga, 1861 Lekkum, Friesland, Netherlands – 1 Apr 1905 Arnheim, Gelderland, Netherlands. A 29-year-old policeman when Albert was born 1890.

Find A Grave:

Mother: Trijntje Ulkes de Jong Bottinga, 1865 Heerenveen, Friesland, Netherlands -

Find A Grave:

Spouse: Iva Pearl Alexander Bryant Irwin Bottinga Newman, 28 Mar 1890 Greencastle IN (or Ladoga, Montgomery IN) – Dec 1969 a resident of Marion Co. IN.

Daughter of John Alexander & Mary Ellen Miller.

She was first married to William Orion (Ora) Bryant (8 Jul 1901 Middleton, Hardeman TN – 4 May 1954 Muskegon, Muskegon MI, F: 51043717), with whom she had two sons. Iva Pearl & Ora married 3 Mar 1919 in St. Joseph Co. IN. Ora was born 8 Jul 1900 Middleton TN, son of Wiley Nicholas Bryant (1878-1986) & Mary Cordelia (Delia) Padig (1876-1942). William was a resident of 307 ½ N. Hill St., South Bend IN, streetcar conductor. She is also listed as being born in Middleton TN on the marriage license application. Ora & Iva divorced 8 Aug 1925 in Kent Co. MI.

Married Harold Edward Irwin on 11 Aug 1925 in Grand Rapids, Kent MI. He was listed as age 31, b. ca. 1894 in Jackson MI. They divorced 22 Jun 1926. Harold (30 Dec 1893 Jackson Co. MI – 9 May 1969 Los Angeles, Los Angeles CA) was the son of Charles Irwin (1869-1910) & Emily Francis Lansing (1868-1949).

Iva Pearl Bryant married Albert Bottinga 2 Sep 1926; divorced 1941.

“Indianapolis Star” Thursday 6 Nov 1941 p 20 – case 18129, in Superior Court, divorce of Iva P. Bottinga & Albert A. Bottinga.

Iva Pearl, using the surname Bryant, married Donald Newman on 2 Nov 1951 in Putnam Co. IN. Obtained a license on 27 Oct 1951. He was age 56, a resident of Indianapolis IN, married once previously, b. 17 Oct 1895 Rushville, Rush IN, son of Theodore E. Newman & Mayme Alice Shepler, a painter. Donald died 28 Nov 1983, Find A Grave 79332611. He had married Katie Byard on 9 Jul 1920 in Rush Co. IN. He was divorced in 1951 & had 1 minor child, Shirley Ann, age 17, dependent on him.

On the marriage application, Iva Pearl indicated she had been married twice before, with previous marriages in 1919 (Bryant) and 1926 (Bottinga) & divorced both times (but failed to note the marriage to Irwin). She was age 53, resident of 604 Howard, Indianapolis IN, a machine operator. Her parents had been born in Greencastle IN, as had she; her father was dead, her retired mother Mary Ellen Miller Alexander lived at 805 S. Spruce, Indianapolis IN.

Obituary: “Indianapolis News” 3 Dec 1969 p 89 – Mrs. Iva P. Newman, age 71, wife of Donald Newman, mother of Gerald Bryant, funeral 4 Dec [no interment noted]

“Indianapolis Star” 5 Dec 1969 p 28 – burial permit for Ida Newman, 71, 2002 Albany, carcinoma.

Buried in Clinton Falls Cemetery, Clinton Falls, Putnam IN.

Spouse Find A Grave: 219845715

Marriage: 2 Sep 1926 in Grand Rapids, Kent MI. Albert A. Bottinga was age 36, b. in the Netherlands, resident of Grand Rapids MI, son of Anne Bottinga & Piete Tan Cate (she was actually his stepmother). Pearl Bryant was age 28, b. Greencastle IN, resident Grand Rapids MI, daughter of John Alexander & Mary Miller.

Partner: Elsie Elizabeth Tharp Harrison, 6 Oct 1910 Indianapolis, Marion IN – 30 Oct 1966 Indianapolis, Marion IN.

Daughter of Jonathan Tharp (1865-1942, F: 114148453) & Viola A. Armstrong (F: 1873-1936, F: 114148241).

Elsie Elizabeth Tharp married Emmett Otto ("Ike") Harrison (1902 IN – 7 Sep 1940 IN, F: 83654750), obtaining a marriage license in Indianapolis, Marion IN in Oct 1938..

Their daughter Martha Ann Harrison was born 7 Dec 1938 in Indianapolis, Marion IN. Elsie was age 30 & Emmett age 38, residents of 518 N. Lynn. Emmett was a bartender at the Corner Bar. Martha was Elsie's 1<sup>st</sup> child, with 1 then living. Martha died as Martha Hess on 21 Feb 2003 in Indianapolis, Marion IN. Martha Hess is buried in Floral Park Cemetery, Indianapolis, Marion IN, F: 52698153.

Their son John Howard Harrison was born 3 Jan 1940 in Indianapolis, Marion IN. His parents resided at 2025 ½ W. Michigan. Emmett, age 38, was a bartender at the Corner Bar; Elsie was age 31. John was their 2<sup>nd</sup> child, with 2 then alive.

Her obituary in the "Indianapolis (IN) Star" Wednesday 2 Nov 1966 p 39 names Albert Bottinga as her friend. In the family's card of thanks, Albert is listed as her husband.

John Harrison of Hanceville AL, listed as Albert's stepson, signs the request for Albert's veteran headstone application.

Elsie Harrison is buried in Floral Park Cemetery, Indianapolis, Marion IN where family members are buried, but is not on Find A Grave as of 15 Jul 2024..

Partner's Find A Grave:

Stepchildren: (sons of Ora Bryant & Iva Pearl Alexander Bryant]

- Theodore Gilbert Bryant, 12 Apr 1920 South Bend, St. Joseph IN – 31 Jul 1930 Waukegan, Lake IL. Age 9 in 1930. Resident of Chicago, Cook Co. IL at death; schoolboy. Buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Jamestown, Boone IN. "Belvidere (IL) Republican-Northwestern" 1 Aug 1930 p 1 – Spinal meningitis took the lives of two Chicago boys at Camp Duncan, a camp conducted by the Chicago West Side YMCA in Lake Co. IL. Theodore Bryant, age 10, was among the 200 children vacationing at the resort. He became ill 29 Jul & was taken to the hospital. "Camden (NJ) Courier-Post" 1 Aug 1930 p. 1 – 2 boys are dead & 2 are under observation. Among 200 boys at the YMCA camp at Fish Lake near Waukegan IL. Theodore died 31 Jul 1930 at St. Theresa Hospital, Waukegan IL. According to his death record, he was buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery but there are several possibilities – in Illinois & Indiana.
- Gerald Douglas (Jerrold/J.D.) Bryant, 7 May 1921 Columbus OH – 18 Sep 1994 Hesperia, San Bernardino CA. Age 8 in 1930. – Married 15 Jul 1942 in Hendricks Co. IL – and again on 23 Sep 1942 in Indianapolis, Marion IN to Ruth Evelyn Jones Quinn Olson (1913 IN – 1988 CA, F: 230405405). Ruth was the daughter of James Patrick Jones (1913 IN- 1988 CA, F: 230405405) & Ollie Mae (1913 IN – 1988 CA, F: 230405405). Ruth Jones had previously married Thaddeus Theodore Quinn (1913-1974, F: 44132711) in 1932. Later, she married Adolore Joseph Olson (1929-2009, F: 49830196) & died with the surname Olson. – Married Dorothy Anne Kurtz (25 Oct 1935 Marion Co. IN), daughter of Arza Earl Kurtzx & Dorothy Ann Amick, on 31 Aug 1957 in Martinsville, Morgan IN. According to a family history, Gerald & Dorothy had a daughter Edith Ann. In Nov 1957, Dorothy petitioned for a divorce in Indianapolis,



Marion IN three months after their marriage. She was killed in a car accident 15 Jul 1959. Her obituaries and newspaper articles refer to her and daughter Edith sometimes as Kurtz and sometimes as Bryant. Dorothy is listed as Kurtz, never married, on her IN death certificate, but she is buried as Dorothy Ann Bryant in Eastern Cemetery, Jeffersonville, Clark IN, F: 127605169. - Married Martha Lewis on 7 Mar 1959 in Marion Co. IN. This record (seen in an indexed version only) may have confused "Martha Lewis" with "Martha Louise Ferguson." - Married Martha Louise Ferguson (1928-2002) daughter Ansel Hugo Ferguson (F: 188098308) & Sadie Anna Carver (1887-1967, F: 249040523) whom he divorced Sep 1967 in Los Angeles, Los Angeles CA, and apparently again in Oct 1973 & again 23 Jan 1981, both times in San Bernardino Co. CA.. – According to a family history, Gerald was known as J.D. Bryant & had only one good eye. He died of suicide, ill with emphysema, with a prognosis that he would die soon. The coroner however ruled the cause of death as natural causes until a bullet wound was found in his temple. There had been no firearm found with his body, so the death was then ruled a homicide. Investigation found a family member had removed the gun from the scene; it was then ruled a suicide.

#### Siblings:

- Catherina Johanne Bottinga, 17 Sep 1892 Rotterdam, South Holland, Holland –

#### Notes:

##### Pre-war:

Aboard the SS *Rotterdam*, leaving Rotterdam, Netherlands, 2 Mar 1912 – arriving Ellis Island, New York City 13 Mar 1912 - Bottenga, Uilke (indexed as Wilke) A., age 21, single, shop servant, b. Holland, resident Arnheim, Netherlands. Mother A. Bottinga ten Cate, heading to a friend in Grand Rapids MI. Additional contact: C. Van Millingen.

##### Wartime:

##### Post-war:

##### Obituary:

IN Death Certificate: Albert A. Bottinga, age 78, born Holland 9 Aug 1890, d. 19 May 1969 Indianapolis, Marion IN in the Veterans Administration Hospital. Residence: 740 N. Belmont. Father Anna Bottinga, mother's name unknown. U.S. citizen. Died of lung abscess, bronchiectasis. Widowed, no surviving spouse. Self-employed carpenter. WWI veteran, burial in Floral Park.

Social Security Number: 316-05-1335

##### Censuses:

1930 Chicago, Cook IL – 1027 Lill Ave. – conducted 7 Apr 1930 (Theodore dies 31 Jul 1930) – indexed as BOTTINGER

Albert Bottinga, 38 Netherlands, age 35 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, emigrated 1912, naturalized, chauffeur delivering foods, WWI veteran

Pearl, 32 IN, age 29 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage [wife]

Theodore, 9 IN, father b. TN, mother b. IN [stepson]

Jerrold, 8 OH, father b. TN, mother b. IN [stepson]

1940 Center Township, Indianapolis, Marion IN - 2919 N. Capitol Ave. – all lived in the same place in 1935

Albert Bottinga, 50 Netherlands, miner, gypsum [indexed as Bottinger, but correct Bottinga on form]

Pearl, 42 IN, cook in hotel [wife]

Jerald Bryant, 18 IN, laborer, PWA road project [stepson]

Annie Taylor, 48 IN, single [sister-in-law]

Mary Ellen Alexander, 74 IN, widow [mother-in-law]

Clarence Alexander, 35 IN, single, body maker, cab company [brother-in-law]

1950 Indianapolis, Marion IN – 740 Belmont

Elsie Harrison, 41 IN, widow

Martha A. Harrison, 11 IN [daughter]

John H. Harrison, 10 IN [son]

Ruby Tharp, 43 IN, never married [sister]

No one has an occupation listed.

Could not locate Albert Bottinga in the 1950 census. In the 1951 Indianapolis IN city directory, Albert “Bottinger” resides at 740 Belmont (Elsie Harrison’s address in the 1950 census). He is also at 740 Belmont in the 1952 Indianapolis IN city directory.