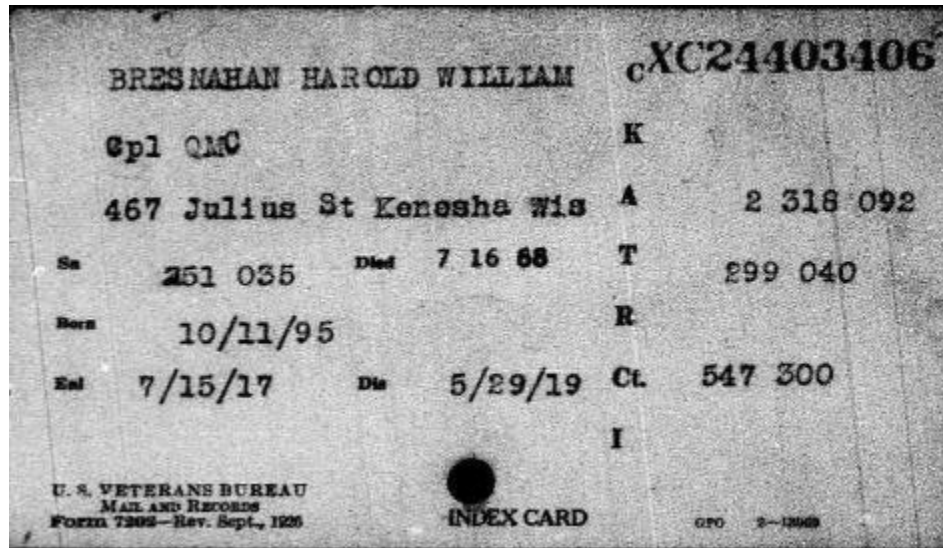


Bresnahan, Harold William


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William Herato Bresnahan

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Birth Date	11 Oct 1895
Birth Place	Ripon, Fond Du Lac County, Wisconsin
Father	William Bresnahan
Mother	Anna O'Mally
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Harold W. Bresnahan

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Death Records, 1872-2004



Detail	Source
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Death Date	15 Jul 1968
Death County	Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, USA

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South Hills Worker Dies At Age Of 72

Harold W. Bresnahan, 72, of Route 3, died early Monday at the South Hills Club.

He was born Oct. 11, 1895, in Ripon, the son of William and Anna O'Malley Bresnahan.

Mr. Bresnahan was a member of St. Joseph's Church; a veteran of World War I and a survivor of the ill-fated Titanic. He worked at South Hills the last 11 years.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. E. T. Meyers, Livonia, Mich.; five sisters, Mrs. Julia Henderson of New London, Mrs. Theresa Doenitz, Mrs. Eva Tilson, Miss Nora Bresnahan and Miss Irma Bresnahan, all of the city, and six grandchildren.

His parents, four sisters and one brother preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Thursday at Uecker-Witt Funeral Home, and at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church, with the Rev. James R. Thurman officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call after 3 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

"Fond du Lac (WI) Reporter" Thursday 16 Jul 1968 p 22

HAROLD W. BRESNAHAN

Funeral services for Harold W. Bresnahan, who died Monday, were held at 9:30 a.m. today at Uecker-Witt Funeral Home and at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church.

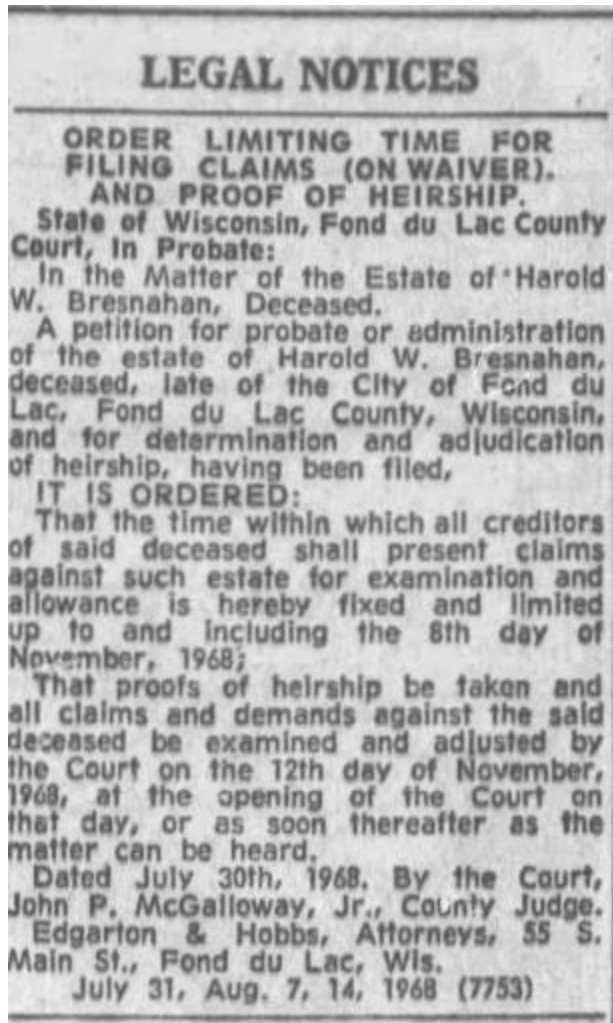
Rev. James R. Thurman officiated. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Grant Wilhelms, John Tilson, William Gores, Harvey Zehren, Fred Gumz and LaVerne Cook.

Trier-Puddy Post 75 of the American Legion conducted graveside services. Colorbearers were Joseph Karst and Arthur Mossing; color guards, Frank Osgood and Tage Swanson; firing detail, John Pitas, Thomas Corcoran, Leo Marcoe, Victor Broome, Albert Balthazor, T. E. Sullivan and Everett Culver.

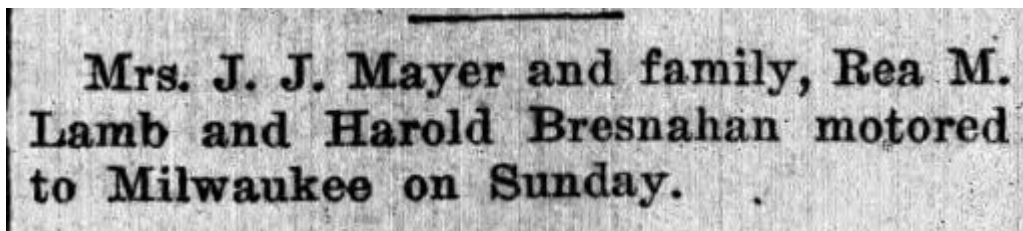
James Veith was the bugler and the commander was Edson Stubbs.

"Fond du Lac (WI) Reporter" Thursday 18 Jul 1968 p 32



“Fond du Lac (WI) Reporter” Wednesday 31 Jul 1968 p 25

Life:



“Kenosha (WI) News” Monday 6 Aug 1917 p 3

Private Harold Bresnahan of Company M returned to Camp Douglas on Sunday night after spending a forty-eight hour furlough with friends in Kenosha.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Tuesday 4 Sep 1917 p 3

Harold Bresnahan, mess sergeant of the officers' camp at Camp Douglas, is visiting friends in Kenosha on a seventy-two-hour furlough.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Friday 21 Sep 1917 p 3

The latest report from the War Department shows that many Kenoshans originally thought to be aboard the transport "Tuscania" had not yet sailed from New York. The 107th Engineer Train, with sixteen Kenoshans enlisted, was not aboard. The revised list as given out by the War Department, from the roster of the ship, gives the following Kenoshans as those aboard:

Truck B, 107th Supply Train.

Lieut. Asbury Vale.
Sergt. Edward Wold.
Sergt. Frank M. Lane.
Sergt. Joseph Bartol.
Sergt. George R. Stephenson.
Sergt. Charles W. Soukup.
Corporal Otto Nelson.
Corporal Hale Tolleth.
Corporal Allen E. Williams.
Private Karl H. Hultenius.
Private Rudolph A. Hultenius.

Headquarters, 107th Supply Train:

Corporal Ernest Bollon.
Private Francis E. Anderson.
Private Hans Anderson.
Private Lynn Anderson.
Private Harold W. Bresnahan.
Private Harvey Earl.
Private Lawrence Garglas.
Private Frank E. Hanna.
Private Floyd S. Hill.
Private Leo F. Hopper.
Private Fred Jahnke.
Private Arthur Junker.
Private Henry M. Kleist.
Private Albert L. Larsen.
Private Michael J. McGinn.
Private Fred Mitchell.
Private John Mitchell.
Private Otto Mowrey.
Private Victor J. Novak.
Private Louis E. Regnier.
Private Robert F. Riley.
Private Otto Romanek.
Private George Roskos.
Private Edward Schmidt.
Private George Schunk.
Private William Seltrecht.
Private Frank H. Tanking.
Private Norbert Tyson.
Private Elmer Williams.
Private John J. Yung.
Private August Zura.

1st Sanitary Squad, 32nd Division:

Private Fred A. Scholey.

107th Engineers:

Private Claude H. Forbes.
Private Domenico Nicolaza.

158th Aero Squadron.
 Corporal William C. Jaeger.
 These latest government despatches would indicate that Captain Edward Dayton and Lieut. W. J. Hanley were not aboard the transport. This is also believed to be true regarding the members of Company M who were included in the 107th Military Police. Members of Company M not mentioned in the government roster are believed to be still stationed at a New Jersey camp.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Friday * Feb 1918 p 1

2 THE EAU CLAIRE LEADER
WASHINGTON GIVES OUT OFFICIAL LIST OF
WISCONSIN SOLDIERS ON BOARD TORPEDOED
TUSCANIA; 415 IS TOTAL FROM MANY TOWNS

Ernest Bellou (c.), Kenosha.
 F. S. Hill (c.) Kenosha.
 A. L. Larsen (c.), Kenosha.
 R. F. Riley (c.), Kenosha.
 H. W. Bresnahan, Ripon.
 N. N. Tyson, Kenosha.
 Lynn Anderson, Green Lake.
 H. T. Anderson (c.), Kenosha.

Excerpt – "Eau Claire (WI) Leader-Telegram" Saturday 9 Feb 1918 p 2

THE SUNDAY STATE JOURNAL, FEBRUARY 10, 1918.

TUSCANIA SURVIVORS—MAYBE HIS NAME IS HERE!

Son, N. I.
 HAROLD WILLIAM BRESNAHAN,
 Ripon, Wis.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Sunday 10 Feb 1918 p 4

SAVED FROM TUSCANIA

Mrs. W. M. Bresnahan of Ripon
Hears of Son's Safety From War
Department—Schumacher Saved.

Mrs. William Bresnahan of Ripon, is in receipt of three telegrams apprising her of the safety of her son, Harold W. Bresnahan, a member of the 107th Supply Train, aboard the Tuscania. The telegrams were from the War Department, the adjutant general and the Red Cross Chapter.

Mr. Bresnahan enlisted in Kenosha in July. He has been writing home regularly until about three weeks ago. He wrote home January 23, telling his mother not to expect a letter for a month at least as he was leaving shortly for a foreign port.

Mrs. J. E. Hennen has received word that her cousin, Lawrence Schumacher, of Milwaukee, who was also aboard the Tuscania, is listed among the survivors of the ill-fated ship.

"Fond du Lac (WI) Trade Extension" Wednesday 13 Feb 1918 p 7

A SOUVENIR FROM BRITAIN.

Harold Bresnahan Sends a Striking Memento of the "Tuscania" to the Folks Back Home.

"Complete success eliminates a man from his fellows, but suffering makes kinsmen of us all."

This quotation from Elbert Hubbard, blazoned on the front sheet of a theatre program, expresses the spirit of a souvenir recently sent to Kenosha by a local survivor of the "Tuscania" disaster, Harold Bresnahan, once a soldier in Company "M" and now fighting beneath the Stars and Stripes somewhere in France.

The folder—that's what it is—presents the bill at the Palace Theatre in Southampton, England, on the occasion of a benefit entertainment in honor of "a contingent of the American army, survivors of the Tuscania."

The performance, styled "A Gala Matinee" was given "by kind permission of the colonel and officers" on the afternoon of Wednesday, February 20th, 1918. Its offerings included "Clara Coverdale and the Nine Dainty Dots" in their brilliant spectacle "The Kilties on Parade," "S. Q. M. S., Hidden Mirth, Magic, and Mystery" and "The Latest Comedy Revue, 'The Love Chase' in Three Scenes."

There is "only this and nothing more" but it is enough to speak and speak eloquently of the hospitality and consideration accorded the "Tuscania" heroes by British civilians and compatriots.

VALE'S MEN LAST OUT OF FRANCE

**107th Supply Train Official-
ly Announced to Arrive
on Virginian on Next
Monday Morning.**

ALL SAW HEROIC SERVICE

**Formal Orders of the War Department
Announces This as the Last Unit to
Sail for the State—Milwaukee
Planning Grand Review.**

The one hundredth and seventh supply train, which has seen wonderful service over in France under the command of Captain Asbury Vale of Kenosha and which contains some sixty Kenosha men did not return on the Louisiana on Tuesday and a new order of the War Department states that this unit of the 32nd Division has sailed from Brest aboard the battleship Virginia and it is due to arrive at Newport News on the morning of next Monday May 19th. As the transports with returning troops have been coming into ports in this country about a day ahead it is pretty probable that the word from these boys will begin to reach Kenosha about next Sunday at noon. The 107th will be on the last steamer bearing members of the 32nd Division from France home. It is probable that the men will be sent to Camp Upton to await order to move West to Camp Grant. It is not known who will be in command of the train since Captain Vale has been ordered back to Coblenz. The last roster of the Kenosha men in the 107th Supply Train showed the following:

Sergeants: Edward Wold, Frank M. Lane, Joseph Bartel, George R. Stephenson, Charles W. Soukup.

Corporals: Otto Nelson, Hale Tolleth, Allen Williams, Ernest Bollou, Albert I. Larsen, Otto Mowrey, Louis E. Regnier.

Privates: Rudolph A. Hultenius, Hans Anderson, Francis E. Anderson, Lynn Anderson, Harold W. Bresnahan,

List continues – "Kenosha (WI) News" Wednesday 14 May 1919 p 2

WELCOME HOME THE TUSCANIANS

(Continued from page .1)

their army serial numbers follows:

Sergeant, First Class.

250997—Edward L. Wold

Sergeants, Quartermaster Corps.

Earl Lovejoy.

Fred Mitchell.

2251017—Floyd S. Hill.

251001—Charles W. Soukup.

251027—Otto Nelson.

Corporals, Drivers.

251026—Francis E. Anderson.

251011—Hans T. Anderson.

251035—Harold W. Bresnahan.

251051—Karl H. Hultenius.

251029—Michael J. McGinn.

251013—Otto Mowrey.

251031—Dominic Petracci.

251025—L. Edw. Regnier

251009—Robert F. Riley.

251024—Edward W. Schmidt.

251016—William H. C. Seltrecht.

251038—George J. Schunk.

251056—Serg. Peter Stoiber.

251000—George R. Stephenson

251005—Hals R. Holleth

251015—Henry W. Werner.

251018—Elmer W. Williams.

189682—Clarence White.

251040—John J. Yung.

Excerpt – “Kenosha (WI) News” Saturday 31 May 1919 p 8

Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Bresnahan
are in Milwaukee during the session
of the reunion of the veterans of the
Thirty-second division.

“Kenosha (WI) News” Monday 20 Sep 1920 p 3

Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Bresnahan left today for Fond du Lac where they will spend the holidays with Mr. Bresnahan's mother.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Friday 24 Dec 1920 p 3

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bresnahan entertained at their home on North Chicago street Thursday evening.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Friday 11 Mar 1921 p 3

Floyd Stapleton and Cliff Grovernor, members of Troop No. 2, clad in scout attire, left Kenosha at 11 o'clock today bound towards Racine on a fourteen-mile hike. They first received permission from their Scoutmaster Harold W. Bresnahan before setting out upon this adventure.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Wednesday 12 Apr 1922 p 3

Kate and Theresa Bresnahan and Harry Engeln of Fond du Lac and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Tilson of Chicago were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Bresnahan of North Chicago street over the week-end.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Tuesday 5 Sep 1922 p 3

H. W. Bresnahan, Scoutmaster of Troop No. 2 contributed the following note:

Our meeting is called for the regular time at the Knights of Columbus clubrooms tonight. I want to see every enrolled member in attendance. We are to complete our work for the rally stunt. Patrol leaders will see to it that his group is on hand. We are out to have the best troop in the city.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Friday 6 Apr 1923 p 12

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bresnahan, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tilson and children Floyd and Virginia, the Misses Theresa and Kate Bresnahan, motored to Fond du Lac to spend the week-end as the guests of Mrs. H. Bresnahan.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Saturday 13 Aug 1923 p 4

Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Bresnahan and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Tilson spent Christmas in Fond du Lac, Wis.

With sister Eva Bresnahan Tilson – "Kenosha (WI) News" Wednesday 26 Dec 1923 p 4

their cousin, Mrs. Frances A. Holland, Dr. J. C. Holland, 5626 Sixth avenue, Harold W. Bresnahan, 6330 70th street, and John McEvoy, Sixth Sheridan road, Dr. Charles Davin, 915 avenue, are at Madison today to attend the Wisconsin-Notre Dame football game being held there.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Saturday 6 Oct 1928 p 4

Get \$877 Cash in Hub Market; Home Entered

Pearl Necklace Lost in Bresnahan Home; Police Investigate Both Jobs.

Two burglaries, one of which yielded \$877 in cash and the other jewelry valued at \$200, were being investigated by the police today.

In the first of the two, a bedroom in the home of Harold Bresnahan, 6330 Sheridan road, was found ransacked and a pearl necklace and a diamond ring was stolen.

In the second burglary, two yeggs rifled a safe in the meat market owned by Joseph Fiorini at 6221 Twenty-second avenue, after having spent the greater part of a night opening it. They secured nearly \$900 in cash, but did not disturb papers or other articles in the safe, and left untouched the rest of the market.

Bresnahan Home Entered

Police reported another burglary on Sunday, which is occupying the attention of the detectives.

Harold Bresnahan, 6330 Sheridan road, reported at 8:00 o'clock Sunday night that he had just found a bedroom ransacked in his home.

Detectives Frank McClusky and Paul Callahan were assigned to the case. Bresnahan told them that he and his wife had gone out for a ride between 4:20 o'clock and 5:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Bresnahan then went into the bedroom to dress for dinner. She opened the bedroom window about three inches from the top, and placed her diamond ring and string of pearls on the dresser.

Return to Find Jewels Gone

At 7:30 o'clock, with dinner over, Mrs. Bresnahan went into the bedroom to find the dresser drawers had been ransacked and their contents spilled over the room. So far as could be ascertained Sunday night the only articles missing were the diamond white gold ring, valued at \$150 and the pearl necklace valued at \$50.00.

No one was heard or seen in the home during the time that the robbery was committed, the Bresnahans told the police.

Police reported that there were some fingerprints on the dresser drawers and Detective Robert Deschneau, fingerprint expert, took these for records. While Deschneau was working on the case this morning Mrs. Bresnahan found the diamond ring on the driveway outside the window through which the burglars entered. The necklace is still missing, however. Detectives hinted that the job was done by kids.

31 Kenoshans on 'Tuscania'

**Kenosha Survivors of Sinking
of Troop Ship Meet in
Milwaukee Feb. 5**

The names of 31 Kenosha men who were on the troopship "Tuscania" when it was torpedoed on Feb. 5, 1918, were today announced by Floyd Hill who is handling reservations here for the 12th anniversary celebration which will be staged at the Republican hotel, Milwaukee, on Feb. 5.

Most of the Kenosha veterans are expected to attend the banquet. Reservations are being made by survivors of the disaster from all over Wisconsin and from many parts of the country.

31 Kenoshans Aboard

Kenosha men who were on the "Tuscania" that fateful night of Feb. 5, 1918, when an enemy submarine torpedoed it off the coast of Ireland are:

Hans Thorvald Anderson, Ernst Bolton, Claude Forbes, Lawrence Gargas, Floyd Hill, Rudolph August Holtenius, Fred Jahnke, Henry Kleist, Fred Mitchell, Otto Nelson, Victor John Novak, Louis Regner, Robt. F. Riley, Norbert Tyson, Asbury Vale, Elmer Williams, John Joseph Yung, August Zura, Henry Huetten, Frank M. Lane, Edward Wm. Schmidt, H. Earl, Frank H. Tanking, Fred A. Scholey, Otto Mowrey, Roy Stevenson, Leo Hopper, Paul Bussa, Francis Anderson, Harold Bresnahan.

While many Kenosha veterans have already made reservations for the affair, others are just now making reservations.

Chairman Hill announced today that he is handling the reservations here and that he can be reached by telephone either at 8032 or at 8751.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Saturday 1 Feb 1930 p 7

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bresnahan and daughter, Shirley, 6330 Sheridan road, left on Saturday for Fond du Lac, Wis., where they will make their future home at 263 Sixth street.

Move to Fond du Lac – "Kenosha (WI) News" Monday 2 Jun 1930 p 4

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bresnahan and daughter, Shirley, moved to Waukegan the early part of the week where Mr. Bresnahan has accepted a position. The Bresnahan family are making their home at 1019 Grand ave.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Friday 10 Apr 1930 p 1

Tuscania Men to Relive Days of '18 Sinking

Kenosha Veterans on Ship Torpedoed Going to Convention

Kenosha will join with Milwaukee when more than 100 survivors of the torpedoed troop transport Tuscania will meet in Milwaukee February 5 to celebrate the fourteenth anniversary of their rescue from one of the World war's major sea disasters.

In Kenosha there are 31 members of the division that was on hand the Tuscania at the time, and many of these are planning on attending the meeting in Milwaukee at the Randolph hotel.

The Kenoshans are Henry M. Kleist, Norbert M. Tyson, Frank Tanking, H. Anderson, August Zura, Otto Mowry, Elmer Williams, Karl Hultenius, Rudolph Hultenius, Hodgeson Vale, Claude Forbes, Henry Huetten, Frank Lane, Edward W. Schmidt, Ernest Bolton, Harvey Earl, Lawrence Garglas, Fred Johnke, Louis Ed. Regnier, Robert F. Riley, Fred Mitchell, Otto Nelson, Victor J. Novak, Dominic Leonetti, Harold Bresnahan, Ray Stephenson, William Seltrecht, Henry Werner, Leo Hopper, Floyd Hill, and Fred A. Scholey.

Scholey.

Taking Reservations

Scholey is taking reservations for the Kenosha men for the banquet and meeting in Milwaukee. These should be telephoned to 2-3131 or 2-1184.

At Milwaukee the veterans will pay tribute to the 225 American soldiers, most of them from Wisconsin and Michigan, who perished, and will drink a toast to 1,954 comrades who were rescued.

The Tuscania Survivors' association, with headquarters in Milwaukee, will be host at the annual meeting, which will be featured this year by message of good will from the commander of the German submarine which sank the Tuscania.

Other features will be the appearance of the Wauwatosa drum corps of 42, champions of the American Legion, and presentation of souvenir medals to all attending members by the Cunard line, owners of the Tuscania.

Shipdeck is Reproduced

The medals picture the deck and cabin of the Tuscania, as it appeared with its cargo of soldiers.

A recital of the presentation of medals for valor in the rescue, given by the association in the last year, will be made.

Formally presented by American Legion posts, they went to Lieut. Com. John M. Smith of H. M. S. "Grasshopper," Lieut. Com. T. B. Fellowes, of H. M. S. "Mosquito" and Lieut. Com. K. E. Eddis of H. M. S. "Pigeon," presented posthumously.

Officers All Milwaukeeans

Of the 1,000 members of the association, 15 live in Milwaukee. All the officers are Milwaukee residents. They are M. W. Collins, 2735 N. Bartlett street, president; L. V. Zimmerman, 5502 W. Washington boulevard, vice-president, and Tracey Greene, 5362 N. Thirty-sixth street, secretary.

To Mr. Zimmerman, on behalf of the association, Dr. Wilhelm Meyer, commander of the U-77 that sent the Tuscania down, has written his greetings and well wishes for the annual survivors' reunion.

Written from Saarbrücken, Germany, the latter gives an insight into German political affairs. It says in part:

"Here in Germany our circumstances are becoming worse from day to day. Politically we are threatened on the one side by French imperialism, from another by Russian bolshevism.

Will Fight for Liberty

"The inner political situation regarding the frenzied payment of tribute to former enemy powers is such that in consequence we are stripped to a degree that threatens to knock down our economic stability. We have now over 5,000,000 unemployed and still more factories are being closed and workers laid off.

"That under these circumstances still further reparations be paid is impossible. The Versailles treaty must be annulled, otherwise there will be no peace in Europe. We Germans, and especially we former front line soldiers, do not further desire to live in servitude, and we will hazard everything to bring about again the freedom of our people."

"Kenosha (WI) News" Thursday 14 Jan 1932 p 3

List Kenosha Survivors

Here are the members of the Kenosha chapter of the Tuscania Survivors association as they are listed by Fred A. Scholey:

John Mitchell, Wm. M. Garner, Peter Stoiber, Henry Kleist, Norbert Tyson, Frank Tanking, H. Anderson, August Zura, Otto Mowrey, Elmer Williams, Carl Hultenious, Rudolph Hultenious, Hodgeson Vale, Claude H. Forbes, Henry W. Huetten, Frank M. Lane, Edward Schmidt, Ernest Bolton, Harvy Earl, Lawrence Garglass, Frad Johnke.

Louis Regnier, Otto Nelson, Fred Mitchell, Victor Novak, Dominic Leonetta, Harold Bresnahan, Fred Scholey, Wm. Seltrect, Henry Werner, S. Anderson, Leo Hopper, Floyd Hill, C. W. Knaup, Roy Stephenson, Albert Larson, Robert F. Riley, Michael J. McGinn.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Saturday 4 Feb 1933 p 11

Two Other Alarms

Two other calls of a minor character were submitted to the fire department yesterday evening. At 7:37 o'clock, engines Nos. 1 and 2, truck No. 1 and the safety squad car were called to 6339 Eighth avenue when chimney sparks ignited the roof of the two and one half story frame apartment building at that address. The building, owned by Ed Alleman, was damaged to the extent of \$10.

Four families occupy the apartments in the building but suffered no serious inconvenience. The roof fire centered over the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bresnahan.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Wednesday 26 Feb 1936 p 7

FORMER OSHKOSH MAN IN COURT ON FORGERY CHARGE

Harold Bresnahan, 45, Is Re-
turned Here From New
London—Fails to Fur-
nish Bond of \$500

Having been returned here late Friday afternoon from New London, Harold Bresnahan, 45, former local resident, was arraigned in municipal court this morning on a charge of uttering a forged check.

Judge S. J. Luchsinger set preliminary examination for Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock and required bond of \$50. Bresnahan was remanded to the custody of the sheriff in default of the bond.

According to the complaint read in court, the defendant is accused of having forged the name of W. G. Dodd, his former employer, to a check for \$30 drawn on the New American Bank. The check was cashed by Harold Boushele.

Sheriff Paul Neubauer returned Bresnahan to Oshkosh from New London, Friday.

NEW LONDON MAN ADMITS FORGERY

A plea of guilty to a charge of uttering a forged check was entered in municipal court this afternoon by Harold Bresnahan, 45, who was brought here Friday from New London. Judge S. J. Luchsinger announced he would pass sentence on the defendant Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Meanwhile he will remain in the custody of the sheriff.

Bresnahan admitted that on Jan. 8 he forged the name of W. G. Dodd, his former employe, to a \$30 check which he cashed at Harold Boushele's tavern. The check was drawn on the New American bank.

"Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" left: Saturday 13 Jan 1940 p 4 and right: Monday 15 Jan 1940 p 11

Two Await Sentencing on Counts of Forgery

Oshkosh, Wis. — (U.P.) — Fred Julius, 24, Neenah, and Harold Bresnahan, 45, New London, were held today for sentencing Jan. 18 after both pleaded guilty to charges of forgery.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Tuesday 16 Jun 1940 p 14

BRESNAHAN GIVEN PRISON TERM FOR FORGING OF CHECK

**Petition for Parole Is Denied
and Defendant Is Sen-
tenced to Serve One
to Three Years**

A sentence of from one to three years at the state prison at Wau-pun was imposed this morning by Judge S. J. Luchsinger upon Harold Bresnahan, 45, who on Jan. 8, forged the name of his employer, W. G. Dodd, to a \$30 check.

Early this week Bresnahan made formal application to the court that he be considered for parole. The court today denied this request.

Bresnahan admitted that on a number of previous occasions he had forged checks, but had always made them good and had not been previously arrested.

IS DIVORCED MAN

He is a divorced man and the father of one child. He has resided at various times in Fond du Lac and New London. While a resident of Oshkosh he lived at 708 Mount Vernon street.

"Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Saturday 20 Jan 1940 p 4

PLEADS GUILTY TO GRAND LARCENY

**Harold Bresnahan Admits He
Took \$75 From Employer.
Sentence June 10**

Harold Bresnahan, 47, a resident of the Milner hotel, pleaded guilty in municipal court here this morning to a charge of grand larceny. He admitted the theft of \$75 from Mrs. Viola Sprague, proprietor of the Blue Front tavern on High street, where he was employed as a bartender.

Judge S. J. Luchsinger accepted the guilty plea, but deferred sentence to June 10 to 10 o'clock, meanwhile remanding Bresnahan to the county jail.

City police said Bresnahan gave them a statement saying that he took the money from the Blue Front safe while under the influence of intoxicants early last Thursday morning. He went to Milwaukee where he spent all but \$16 of the amount taken, returning to Oshkosh late Saturday night. He said he was on his way to the tavern Saturday night when police took him into custody at the corner of Main and High streets.

"Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Monday 7 Jun 1943 p 5

Funeral Of Mrs. Doenitz

Services were held at the Goult funeral home, Plainfield, Monday afternoon for Mrs. Selma Doenitz, who died Friday night at Fond du Lac.

Rev. Gerald Tanquist officiated at the services, and burial will take place in the spring in the East Almond cemetery.

During the funeral, Mrs. Ruth Bender sang "Nearer My God to Thee" and "Abide with Me," accompanied by Mrs. Albert Walter.


Coming from a distance to attend the services were Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Tesch and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Klawitter, Milwaukee; Mrs. Claude Lawrence, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Doenitz, Mrs. Nora Bresnahan, Mrs. Erma Bresnahan, Harold Bresnahan, Mrs. Eva Tilton, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ladwit, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schultz, Mr. and Mrs. Max Kirchoff, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Max Kirchoff, Jr., Fond du Lac; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wood, Stevens Point, and Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Kirchoff and Mrs. A. Henderson, Ripon.

"Stevens Point (WI) Journal" Wednesday 9 Feb 1955 p 7

Wife:

Maria A Mayer

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Birth Index, 1808-1907



Detail	Source
Name	Maria A Mayer
Birth Date	3 Jul 1898
Birth Place	Kenosha, Wisconsin, USA
Reel	0095
Record Number	000013

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ANNOUNCES ENGAGEMENT.

Engagement Announced of Miss Marie Mayer and Harold Bresnahan.

An engagement announcement of considerable interest was made at a dinner Sunday evening to relatives and intimate friends, when Mrs. J. J. Mayer of 703 North Chicago street announced that her daughter, Miss Marie Mayer, would be married to Corporal Harold Bresnahan, son of Mrs. William Bresnahan of Ripon, Wis. The wedding is to take place in the early fall. The pre-nuptial spirit was carried out in a lavender and yellow decorative motif. Miss Mayer is one of Kenosha's best known and popular young ladies. Mr. Bresnahan was one of the first Kenosha men to answer the call to the colors in the early days of the war, enlisting in Company M of this city and going overseas in December of 1917 on the U. S. S. "Tuscania" which was torpedoed and sunk off the coast of Ireland. Miss Lillian Weber of Milwaukee was an out-of-town guest at the dinner.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Monday 5 Apr 1920 p 3

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Announcement was made at the St. George Church on Sunday morning of the approaching marriage of Miss Marie Mayer, daughter of Mrs. J. J. Mayer, North Chicago street, with Harold Bresnahan of Ripon, Wis. The nuptials will be solemnized at the St. George Church at eight o'clock on the morning of Wednesday, August 11th. The wedding will be one of the most interesting of the summer season as Miss Mayer has been popular in the younger social set.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Monday 26 Jul 1920 p 3

The girls of the McWhyte company office will give a dinner party in the private dining room at the Elks' club on Thursday evening for Miss Marie Mayer, bride-elect. Miss Mayer's wedding to Harold Bresnahan of Ripon, Wis., at the St. George church, Wednesday, August 11, will be one of the important events of the summer season.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Tuesday 3 Aug 1920 p 3

CUPID HAS BUSY DAY

Many Kenoshans Seek Marriage Licenses at County Clerk's Office.

It looked like spring had come again at the office of the county clerk this morning. At any rate the old adage about "in the spring a young man's fancy" and the rest, was recalled in midsummer by the number of couples who sought to secure the right to embark on matrimonial seas. In all there were six couples on Wednesday and Thursday who were devotees of Cupid. They were the following: Joseph J. Plute and Miss Elizabeth Pauline Druktines; Frank P. Martin and Miss Mary Elanor Margetson; Harvey Zimmerman and Miss Mary A. Totts; William T. Blaxill and Miss Emily Marie Portman; Harold Bresnahan and Miss Marie A. Mayer; William Sunderland and Miss Margaret B. Vollmer.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Thursday 5 Aug 1920 p 3

NUPTIAL EVENTS FEATURE OF DAY

Six Ceremonies Show Popularity of Late Summer Wedding with Girls.

SIMPLICITY FOR RITES

The closing days of summer are mighty busy for a little chap whose business it is to ensnare the hearts of man and maid and this year is proving no exception to the rule. Somehow summer-time appeals to the lavender and rose spirit of romance days and the period is usually replete with nuptial ceremonies. Brides who have chosen today for their wedding day are, Miss Marie Mayer, Miss Irene Jacobs, Miss Rose Rocknowski, Miss Mary Totts, Miss Elizabeth TeKampe and Miss Lida Randle.

Mayer-Bresnahan.

An interesting nuptial event of the summer social season was the wedding at the St. George Church at eight o'clock this morning, of Miss Marie A. Mayer and Harold W. Bresnahan. The nuptial mass was sung by the Rev. Father A. J. Nickel. Mrs. Edna Cosgrove Starr sang "Oh, Promise Me" and an "Ave Maria."

Palms, ferns and flowers, banked at the chancel rail, formed a most attractive background for the ceremonial. Miss Mayer was charming in a frock of ruffled white organdy and a portrait hat of satin and georgette embroidered in wool. She carried a French bouquet of roses, lilies, sweet peas and asters with shower of ribbon and swansonia. Miss Madeline Pfarr, who acted as bridesmaid, was frocked and hatted in pale pink organdy. She carried pink roses, sweet peas and asters. Lawrence Peltier served the groom as best man. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, John B. Mayer.

Following the service at the church, a breakfast to the bridal party was served at the home of the bride. A wedding dinner to twenty guests was served at the home at twelve o'clock. Low bowls of yellow flowers and ferns carried out a dainty color motif of yellow and green. The chosen colors were also evident in the tiny kewpie favors and in the menu course. Out-of-town celebrants at the wedding were Mrs. William Bresnahan and the Misses Eva, Erma, Nell, Nora, Katherine and Theresa Bresnahan and Thomas Sullivan of Ripon, Wis.


Mrs. Bresnahan is the daughter of Mrs. John J. Mayer of 703 North Chicago street. She attended the schools of Kenosha and finished her studies at the Holy Rosary Academy at Corliss. Recently she has been in the offices of the MacWhyte company. Her winsome personality and charm have made her popular not only with business associates but with the members of her church and social sets.

Mr. Bresnahan is the son of Mrs. William Bresnahan of Ripon, Wis. He has made his home in Kenosha for several years and has been connected with the MacWhyte company. He enlisted with old Company M of Kenosha when war was declared and was later transferred to the 107th Supply Train, the members of which were on the ill-fated "Tuscania," which was torpedoed by a German submarine off the coast of Ireland in the fall of 1917. He served overseas for two years, continuing with the army in Germany after the armistice. He is prominent in several local fraternal orders.

Mr. and Mrs. Bresnahan left this afternoon for a wedding trip to the northern woods. They will receive their friends at 703 North Chicago street after the first of September.

Marie M Bresnahan

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Death Records, 1872-2004



Detail	Source
Name	Marie M Bresnahan
Death Date	20 Mar 1990
Death County	Manitowoc, Wisconsin, USA

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An interlocutory decree of absolute divorce from Harold Bresnahan, defendant, was granted Mrs. Marie Bresnahan, plaintiff, in the municipal court late Monday afternoon. Mrs. Bresnahan charged cruel and inhuman treatment. She was awarded custody of the couple's only child, a daughter.

Divorce 29 Jun 1936 – “Kenosha (WI) News” Wednesday 1 Jul 1936 p 7

Marie M. Bresnahan

Marie M. Bresnahan, 91, Manitowoc, formerly of Kenosha, died at the Manitowoc Health Care Center Tuesday afternoon (March 20, 1990).

The daughter of John and Philippine (Buscher) Mayer, she was born July 3, 1898 in Kenosha.

She worked at the American Motors Corp. in Kenosha, where she retired as chief operator in 1975, and then was employed for six years at the Kenosha Elks Club.

In Kenosha, she was a member of the AMC Five-Year Club and the American Legion Auxiliary.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Eugene (Shirley) Meyers, Appleton; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers and three sisters.

“Kenosha (WI) News” Thursday 22 Mar 1990 p 4

Mrs. Harold W. Bresnahan is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jacob E. Bell, Chicago.

“Kenosha (WI) News” Tuesday 9 Jul 1935 p 4

Daughter:

Made known in Kenosha on Wednesday was the engagement of Miss Shirley Bresnahan, of that city, and Eugene T. Meyers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl J. Meyers, 1529 Grand Ave. The announcement was made by Mrs. Marie Bresna-

han, the bride-elect's mother. Miss Bresnahan is employed at the Veterans' Administration at Downey, Ill. Her fiance has served two years in the Army with 14 months overseas. Both are graduates of St. Catherine's High School.

"Racine (WI) Journal Times" Thursday 13 Mar 1947 p 31

**Applications for
Marriage Licenses**
Eugene Theodore Meyers, Racine, and Shirley Ann Bresnahan, 6317 Eleventh avenue, October 18.

"Kenosha (WI) News" Thursday 9 Oct 1947 p 4



WED AT ST. JAMES—After a wedding trip to Minnesota, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene T. Meyers will make their home at 6612 Nineteenth avenue. Mrs. Meyers is the former Miss Shirley Ann Bresnahan, daughter of Mrs. Marie Bresnahan, Eleventh avenue, and Mr. Meyers is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl M. Meyers of Racine. The two were married at 9 o'clock this morning at St. James church.

Shirley Bresnahan Becomes Bride of Eugene T. Meyers

One of the prettiest wedding ceremonies in the city today was that at St. James church at 9 o'clock this morning, which united in marriage, Miss Shirley Ann Bresnahan, daughter of Mrs. Marie Bresnahan, 6317 Eleventh avenue, and Eugene T. Meyers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl M. Meyers, of Racine.

It was a large wedding, with 200 guests in attendance. The church altar was banked with large altar bouquets of white flowers and the church choir, accompanied by Mrs. Joseph Gaffney, sang the traditional wedding music. Miss Edna Mae Holm, as soloist, sang the "Ave Maria," and "On This Day Oh Beautiful Mother." The Rev. Conrad Gaffney officiated at the rites.

Gown of Slipper Satin

Given in marriage by her uncle, Francis Mayer, the bride wore a lovely gown of heavy white slipper satin made along princess lines. The bodice had a little round collar at the neckline, the sleeves were long and fitted and terminated in a point at the wrists, and the skirt, long and full, ended in a full train. Her finger-tip veil was attached to a Dutch cap covered with seed pearls, and she carried a white satin muff covered with orchids and stephanotis.

Miss Jeanne Castonguay of Racine, was Miss Bresnahan's maid of honor. She wore a gown of mint green tissue taffeta made along princess lines, featuring ruffled cape sleeves, and a long full skirt. She wore elbow length mitts to match her gown, and a braided crown headpiece with streamers. She also carried a muff matching her gown, which held an orchid and tiny yellow pompons. Miss Elaine Heintz of Racine, was bridesmaid. She was dressed like Miss Castonguay, but in an old rose color. She had a similar headpiece and similar muff with orchids and pompons, but in a rose shade.

Honeymoon in Minnesota

Earl J. Meyers was best man for his brother, and Richard Bradzones of Racine, John Tilson of Fond du Lac and Jack Mayer of Kenosha were his ushers.

After the wedding, a dinner will be served at Oage Thomsen's for members of the immediate families, and this afternoon they will receive 200 guests at a reception at Oage Thomsen's. Later the young couple will leave on a week's

wedding trip in Minnesota and when they return will make their home at 6612 Nineteenth avenue.

Guests came from Chicago, Fond du Lac, Milwaukee and Racine for the ceremony and reception. Both the bride and groom are graduates of St. Catherine's high school in Racine.

Meyers, Shirley A.

Shirley Meyers, age 89, a resident of St. Mary's Home at Felician Village, Manitowoc, entered eternal life on Monday evening, August 15, 2016, at St. Mary's Home.

Shirley was born on November 28, 1926 in Kenosha. She was the daughter of the late Harold and Marie Mayer Bresnahan. Shirley was a graduate of St. Catherine's High School in Racine with the class of 1944. She had been employed as a legal secretary for Time Insurance Company in Milwaukee from where she retired in December 1989. On October 18, 1947 she married Eugene T. Meyers in Kenosha. He preceded her in death on July 14, 2007. Shirley was a member of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church.



Memorial services will be held 11:30 A.M. Friday, August 19, 2016 at the Blessed Angela Chapel at St. Mary Home at Felician Village, 1635 South 21st Street, Manitowoc. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Rev. Gerald Foley. Entombment will follow at Highland Memorial Park in Appleton. Relatives and

She is survived by six children: Paul (Ronita) Meyers, Seabrook, TX; Maureen (Tom) Lechner, Fremont; Christine (Charles) Herzog, Manitowoc; Patricia (Mike) Pietrowski, Seattle, WA; Mark (Monica) Meyers, Wisconsin Dells; John P. (Patricia Blackburn) Meyers, Kingwood, TX; fifteen grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, along with other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents: Harold and Marie Bresnahan; husband: Eugene Meyers; two infant children at birth: daughter, Suzanne and son, John C. Meyers.

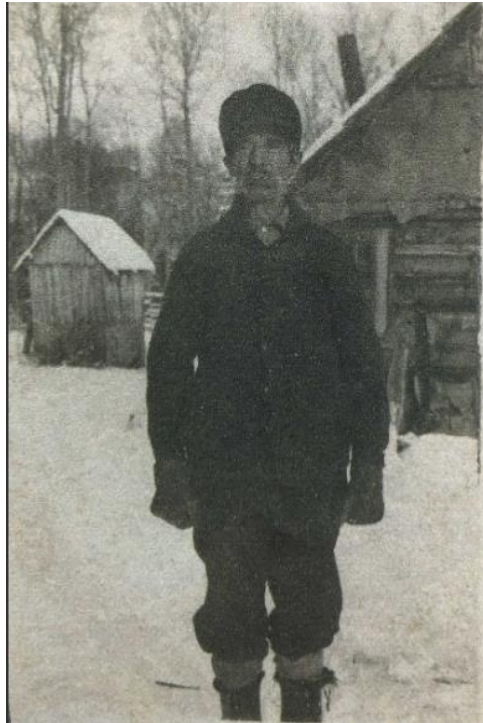
Relatives and friends may call at the Blessed Angela Chapel at St. Mary's Home on Friday from 11 a.m. until the time of services at 11:30 a.m. Cremation has taken place at the Harrigan Parkside Crematory and Chapel.

In lieu of flowers memorials would be appreciated in Shirley's name. Online condolences to the family may be sent to www.harriganparksidefuneralhome.com.

The Harrigan Parkside Funeral Home and Crematory, North 11th and St. Clair streets, Manitowoc, is assisting the family with funeral arrangements.

"Manitowoc (WI) Herald-Times-Reporter" Friday 19 Aug 2016 p A6

Father:



William Bresnahan - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/167302341/person/132175174940/media/560cc428-23f5-473e-b25c-195456073dd2>

Name	Bresnahan, Wm.	Age	23	Sex	--
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Arrived (Date	July 11, 1855	S. s.	"Ladoga"		
If in U. S. before	--	Occupation	Lab.		
Birthplace	Ireland				
Country of which citizen	--				
Last residence	Ireland				
Destination (State of which intend to become citizen)	--				
Mental and bodily condition	--	List No.	39	FF	

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Web: Oshkosh Area, Wisconsin, U.S., Naturalizations Index, 1840-1970

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Name	William Brasnahan
Event Type	Naturalization Declaration
Case Type	Naturalizations - Declaration
Declaration Date	3 Nov 1868
Declaration Place	Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, USA
Archive	UW Oshkosh Archives
Title	Brasnahan - Naturalizations - Declaration
Court	Municipal Court
Role	Immigrant
Call Number	Fond du Lac Series 36
Record Location	Box 11 Folder A-B

William Bresnahan

Legal • Wisconsin, County Naturalization Records, 1807-1992

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Name	William Bresnahan
Event Type	Naturalization
Event Date	12 November 1895 
Event Place	Wisconsin, United States

PETITION FOR
ADMISSION TO CITIZENSHIP.

William Bresnahan.
PETITIONER

Filed *No. 12* *95* 188*7*

Henry Hayes
Clerk of Court.

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CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION.

Be it Remembered, That at the November Term of the Circuit Court held at the Court House in the City of Fond du Lac and State of Wisconsin, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and 95 William Bresnahan a native of Ireland exhibited a petition praying to be admitted to become a citizen of the United States, and it appearing to the said Court that he had declared on oath before the Clerk of the Court of the Municipal Court of Ripon Wis on the 3 day of Nov. A. D. 1895, that it was *bona fide* his intention to become a Citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all allegiance or fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatsoever, and particularly to Queen Victoria of whom he was at that time a subject, and the said William Bresnahan having on his solemn oath declared, and also made proof thereof, by competent testimony of Al Jelliff & J. J. Fook citizens of the United States, that he has resided one year and upwards in the State of Wisconsin, and within the United States of America upwards of five years immediately preceding his application; and it appearing, to the satisfaction of the Court, that during the time he had behaved as a man of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States of America, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same; and having on his solemn oath declared before the said Court that he would support the Constitution of the United States, and that he did absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign Prince, Potentate, State and Sovereignty whatsoever, and particularly to Queen Victoria of whom he was before a subject—

Thereupon the Court admitted the said William Bresnahan to become a Citizen of the United States, and ordered all proceedings aforesaid to be recorded by the Clerk of said Court, and which was done accordingly.

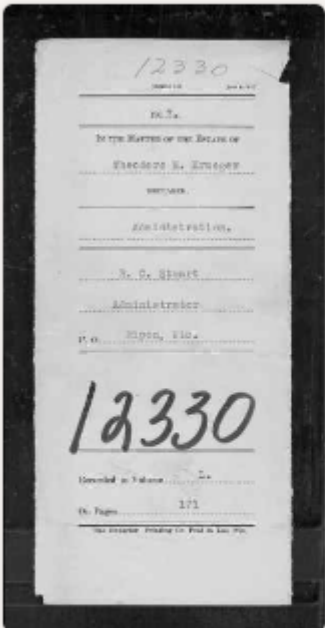
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my hand and the Seal of said Circuit Court at Fond du Lac this 12 day of Nov. in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and 95, and of the Independence of the United States of America the 119

Henry Hays Clerk.
D. O. Williams Deputy Clerk.

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Anna Bell Bresnehan

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Wills and Probate Records, 1800-1987



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Name	Anna Bell Bresnehan
Relationship	Child
Item Description	Probate Case Files, 12330-12331, 1917-1923

Individuals Listed (Name)	Relationship
William Bresnehan	
Anna Bresnehan	Wife
Martin Bresnehan	Child
Mary Bresnehan	Child
Julia Bresnehan	Child
Nellie Bresnehan	Child
Anna Bell Bresnehan	Child
Teresa Bresnehan	Child
Nora Bresnehan	Child
Katie Bresnehan	Child

IN COUNTY COURT FOR FOND DU LAC COUNTY; IN PROBATE.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

William Breunhor DECEASED. }

The last will and testament of *William Breunhor* late of
Ripon in said county, having been proved and admitted to
 probate, and *John Sullivan* being named therein as execut. thereof;
 and it appearing that he is willing to accept said trust, and is competent and suitable therefor; and that the personal
 estate of said deceased amounts to about *Six Thousand*
 dollars

It is ordered that the said
John Sullivan execute to the Judge of Fond du Lac
 County Court, and his successor in office, a bond with two or more sureties in the penal sum of
Ten Thousand dollars,
 with the condition required by the statute in such case made and provided, and deliver the same to said judge, and that upon the
 approval thereof by him, letters testamentary issue to said *John Sullivan*

Dated, *May 16* A. D. 191*7*.

By the Court,

A. Richter

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A. Richter
 COUNTY JUDGE

In County Court for Fond du Lac County; In Probate.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

..... *William Brenahan* Deceased. }The petition of *Anna Brenahan*..... respectfully shows:

That she is the widow of *William Brenahan*..... late of the *city*.....
 of *Ripon*....., in said County, deceased, and resides in the *city*..... of
Ripon..... in said County.

That the general inventory of the property of said estate was filed in said Court on the *20*.....
 day of *June*....., 1917., showing that said deceased died seized of real estate appraised
 at the sum of \$ *3000*....., the income of which is about the sum of \$ *nothing*..... per annum,
 and personal property appraised at the sum of \$ *6000*.....

That the family of said deceased consists of herself and..... minor children, viz.,

That the circumstances and conditions of herself and said minor..... are as follows:

That she is 65 years of age and will have to keep up the homestead property.
That her health is not good and she can't earn money.
That she believes \$40 a month would be a reasonable sum for an allowance and thinks she can get along on it

Wherefor she prays that such reasonable allowance as the Court shall judge necessary may be made for the maintenance of said family during the progress of the settlement of the estate.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, }
 FOND DU LAC COUNTY. } ss.

Anna Brenahan
mark

..... *Anna Brenahan*..... being duly sworn, on oath says
 that she is the petitioner above named; that she has heard read the above and foregoing petition, and knows
 the contents thereof, and that the same is true to her own knowledge, excepting as to matters therein stated
 on information and belief, and as to those matters she believes it to be true.

Anna Brenahan
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *20*.....
 day of *June*....., A. D. 1917.. }

Ray B. Reed
Notary Public Wis

Fond du Lac County Court: In Probate

In the Matter of

the Estate of

William Bresnahan,

Deceased

I, Mrs Anna Bresnahan, widow of the said deceased,
do hereby acknowledge receipt of the sum of Four Hundred
Eighty (\$480) Dollars, being 12 months allowance under the
order of the court herein.

April 5, 1918

..... Mrs. Anna Bresnahan

STATE OF WISCONSIN, FOND DU LAC COUNTY, IN SUPERIOR COURT

IN RE ESTATE OF
William Bresnahan, DECEASED } IN PROBATE

STATE OF WISCONSIN, } ss.
FOND DU LAC COUNTY

Ed. Brown being duly sworn, says that *he* is
attorney for the Estate of Mr. Bresnahan, deceased
and that on the *15* day of *April*, 1918, *he* deposited in the post office
in the City of *Ripon*, in said County, notices, a copy of which is hereto annexed, securely
inclosed in post paid wrappers and without return directions, addressed to the hereinafter named persons at
their post-office addresses, respectively, as follows, to-wit:—

Anna Bresnahan, Ripon, Wis
Mary Potter, " "
Julia Henderson, Oshkosh, Wis
Edna Bresnahan, Ripon, Wis
Amelia Anderson, Fond du Lac, Wis
Nora Bresnahan, Ripon, Wis
Theresa Bresnahan, Fond du Lac, Wis
Katherine Bresnahan, " "
Eva Bresnahan, Ripon, Wis
Emma Bresnahan, " "
Harold Bresnahan, Kaukauna, Wis

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Bresnahan Anabel, waitress Hotel Le Roy.
 Bresnahan Martin, mason, h 307 E. Fond du Lac.
 Bresnahan Nellie, waitress Hotel Le Roy.
 Bresnahan William, farmer, h n. s. Oshkosh 4 e. Eureka.

1905 Fond du Lac WI city directory - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/921145863:2469?tid=167302341&pid=132185929245&queryid=ac38d54a-3407-444e-ad4b-ddf45a435d17&phsrc=cPx20715&phstart=successSource>

Mother:

Former Kenosha's Mother Succumbs

Belated messages received here announce the death of Mrs. Anna Bresnahan, 85, at her home in Fond du Lac. She was the mother of Harold Bresnahan, formerly a resident of Kenosha. The deceased, a life long resident of Fond du Lac, was widely known there and has a host of friends and relatives to mourn her passing.

"Kenosha (WI) News" 7 Oct 1937 p 7

Funeral services were held this morning at St. Joseph's church at Fond du Lac for Mrs. Anna Bresnahan, 85, widow of William Bresnahan, who died at her home in that city Monday evening. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery here.

Mrs. Bresnahan was born in New York state, Dec. 4, 1851, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William O'Malley. She came west with her parents, who settled on a farm near Osceola. Later they moved to Ripon where she was married 60 years ago to Mr. Bresnahan at St. Patrick's church. Her husband died 21 years ago and four years after that time she moved to Fond du Lac to reside.

Surviving are nine sons and daughters. They are Martin Bresnahan, Proctor, Minn.; Mrs. Frank Potter, Ripon; Mrs. Alex Henderson and Harold Bresnahan, Oshkosh; Mrs. G. C. Pilson, Fond du Lac; and the Misses Nellie, Nora, Theresa and Erma Bresnahan, at home. There are also 15 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren surviving.

"Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern) Thursday 7 Oct 1937 p 12

Half-siblings:

Bresnahan, 83, Native of Ripon, Dies at Madison

RIPON — Martin Bresnahan, 83, died at the University Hospital, Madison, at 12:45 p.m. Sunday following a lingering illness. He had resided on Metomen, Street, Ripon, for a number of years.

He was born June 7, 1871, at Ripon, the son of the late John and Catherine Bresnahan. He had worked for many years as a baggageman for the Milwaukee railroad. He married Ann Carter at Duluth, Minn., on June 8, 1929. He was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose and the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's Church.

Surviving are his wife, three daughters, Mrs. Fred Grossman, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Mrs. Gordon Ladwig and Mrs. Orville Hoth, Ripon; a son, William Bresnahan, Portland, Ore.; seven sisters, Mrs. Minnie Parr and Mrs. Julia Henderson, Ripon, Miss Eva Tilsson, Mrs. Theodore Doenitz, Miss Nell Bresnahan, Miss Nora Bresnahan and Miss Emma Bresnahan, all of Fond du Lac, and a brother Harold of Fond du Lac. Two sisters preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be held at 9 a.m. Wednesday at St. Patrick's Church with the Rev. Clarence Schauten officiating. Burial will be in the parish cemetery.

Friends may call at the Butzin Funeral Home after 12 noon on Tuesday.

Hal-brother Martin Bresnahan (1871-1955) – "Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Monday 7 Feb 1955 p



Martin Bresnahan & family - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/167302341/person/132175281378/media/41a85a2b-f91b-4095-a399-d00446ccfbce>

New York, New York, U.S., Extracted Marriage Index, 1866-1937

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Name	Martin Bresnahan
Gender	Male
Marriage Date	25 Feb 1900
Marriage Place	Manhattan, New York, USA
Spouse	Delia Reynolds
Certificate Number	4075

<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/167302341/person/132175281378/factsnar>

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Siblings:

Mrs. Potter, 81, Life-Long Ripon Resident, Is Dead

RIPON — Mrs. Frank Potter, 81, a life-long Ripon resident, died at her home on Oshkosh Avenue at 9 o'clock this morning.

She was born here Nov. 25, 1878, the daughter of William and Anna O'Malley Bresnahan, and was married to Frank Potter here Jan. 27, 1897.

Surviving are three sons, Everett, Vernon and Lorrain Potter, all of Ripon; a brother, Harold Bresnahan, Fond du Lac; six sisters, Miss Nellie, Miss Nora and Miss Erma Bresnahan, Mrs. Harold Doenitz, and Mrs. Eva Tilson, all of Fond du Lac, and Mrs. Julia Henderson, Ripon; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Butzin Funeral Home.

Sister Mary L. Bresnahan Potter (1877-1959) – "Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Saturday 11
Apr 1959 p 11

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Mrs. Julia Henderson

RIPON — A former Ripon resident, Mrs. Julia Henderson, 98, New London, died Monday in New London after a lingering illness.

She was born Dec. 20, 1879, in Ripon. She was married to Alex Henderson, who preceded her in death in 1937.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Edward (Madeline) Hoerning, New London; one son, Harold, Oshkosh; three sisters, Erma Bresnahan, Eva Tilson and Teresa Doenitz, all of Fond du Lac; four grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at Most Precious Blood Catholic Church, New London, the Rev. LeRoy Smet officiating. Burial will be in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Ripon.

Friends may call at Cline-Hanson Funeral Home, New London, after 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, and Thursday at the church until the time of services. A prayer service will be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Graveside rites will be held at 12:30 p.m. Thursday.

Sister Julia Bresnahan Henderson (1879-1978) – “Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern” Tuesday 31 Oct 1978 p 27



Julia M. Bresnahan Henderson - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/109001053/person/210138488405/media/a61f961f-0582-4ef5-aa7e-8853ba602474>

U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007

[View record](#)

Name	Nellie Ellen Bresnahan
Gender	Female
Race	White
Birth Date	11 Jun 1881
Birth Place	Ripon Fond D, Wisconsin
Father	William Bresnahan
Mother	Anna Omalley
SSN	398106138
Notes	May 1938: Name listed as NELLIE ELLEN BRESNAHAN; Aug 1943: Name listed as ELLEN ELIZABETH BRESNAHAN

Sister Nellie Ellen Elizabeth Bresnahan (1881 - <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/109001053/person/210138488396/facts>)

BillionGraves GPS Headstones

**Nellie E Bresnahan**

Born: 1881

Died: 1964

Age: 83 Years

<https://billiongraves.com/grave/Nellie-E-Bresnahan/17116527>

Nellie Bresnahan

Death • Wisconsin Death Index, 1959-1997


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Name **Nellie Bresnahan**
 Sex **Female**
 Age **82**
 Birth Year (Estimated) **1882**
 Race **1 White**
 Event Type **Death**
 Event Date **1964**
 Event Place **Wisconsin, United States**

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:V8SM-8CL>

Nellie Bresnahan

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Death Records, 1872-2004




Detail	Source
Name	Nellie Bresnahan
Death Date	13 Jun 1964
Death County	Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, USA

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Annabelle Arnold

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Death Records, 1872-2004




Detail	Source
Name	Annabelle Arnold
Death Date	16 May 1936
Death County	Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, USA

Sister Annabelle Bresnahan Arnold (1884-1936) - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/3983378:61483?tid=167302341&pid=132185929245&queryid=356c7015-e034-4d7e-b7fb-4f240b5dc9f5&phsrc=cPx20711&phstart=successSource>

Annabell Bresneham

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Marriage Records, 1820-2004



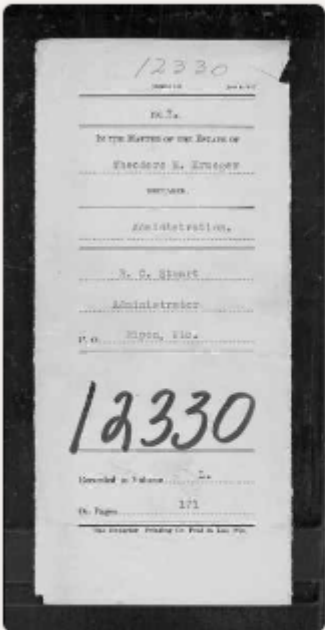
Detail	Source
Name	Annabell Bresneham
Maiden Name	Arnold
Gender	Female
Marriage Date	20 Dec 1907
Marriage County	Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, USA
Spouse	Clark Arnold

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<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/91333950%3A61484>

Anna Bell Bresnehan
in the Wisconsin, U.S., Wills and Probate Records, 1800-1987



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Detail Source

Name	Anna Bell Bresnehan
Relationship	Child
Item Description	Probate Case Files, 12330-12331, 1917-1923

Individuals Listed (Name)	Relationship
William Bresnehan	
Anna Bresnehan	Wife
Martin Bresnehan	Child
Mary Bresnehan	Child
Julia Bresnehan	Child
Nellie Bresnehan	Child
Anna Bell Bresnehan	Child
Teresa Bresnehan	Child
Nora Bresnehan	Child
Katie Bresnehan	Child

Church Rite Slated For City Resident

Miss Nora Bresnahan, who resided with her sister, Mrs. Teresa Doenitz at 279 Third St., died at 12:15 a.m. today at St. Agnes Hospital.

She was born at Ripon, a daughter of William and Anna O'Malley Bresnahan.

Miss Bresnahan was a member of St. Joseph's Church and Altar and Rosary Society. She was graduated from Ripon High School and Oshkosh State University and was a high school teacher for many years.

Survivors include four sisters, Mrs. Teresa Doenitz, Mrs. Eva Tilson and Miss Irma Bresnahan, all of the city, and Mrs. Julia Henderson of New London.

She was preceded in death by two brothers and four sisters.

Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday at Uecker-Witt Funeral Home and 10 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church with the Rev. George J. Gibbons officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call from 3 to 9 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Sister Nora M. Bresnahan (1887-1969) – "Fond du Lac (WI) City Reporter" Wednesday 29 Oct 1969 p 24

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Teresa Bresnahan

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Marriage Records, 1820-2004



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Detail	Source
Name	Teresa Bresnahan
Maiden Name	Bresnahan
Gender	Female
Marriage Date	1 Aug 1940
Marriage County	Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, USA
Spouse	Harold L Doenitz

Sister Theresa Agatha Bresnahan Doenitz (1890-1988) -

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Theresa Bresnahan & Harold Leon Doenitz – perhaps their wedding day? -
<https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/167302341/person/132175281801/media/3e23bee9-5f1d-4de0-beed-9e7bb930f631>

Wisconsin, U.S., Marriage Records, 1820-2004

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Name Teresa Bresnahan
 Maiden Name Bresnahan
 Gender Female
 Marriage Date 1 Aug 1940
 Marriage County Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, USA
 Spouse Harold L Doenitz

<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/167302341/person/132175281801/facts>

Mrs. Doenitz

Mrs. Theresa Doenitz, 97, formerly of 279 Third St., died Monday, Jan. 18, 1988, at Americana Healthcare Center.

She was born June 10, 1890, in Ripon, to William and Anna O'Malley Bresnahan. She later married Harold Doenitz.

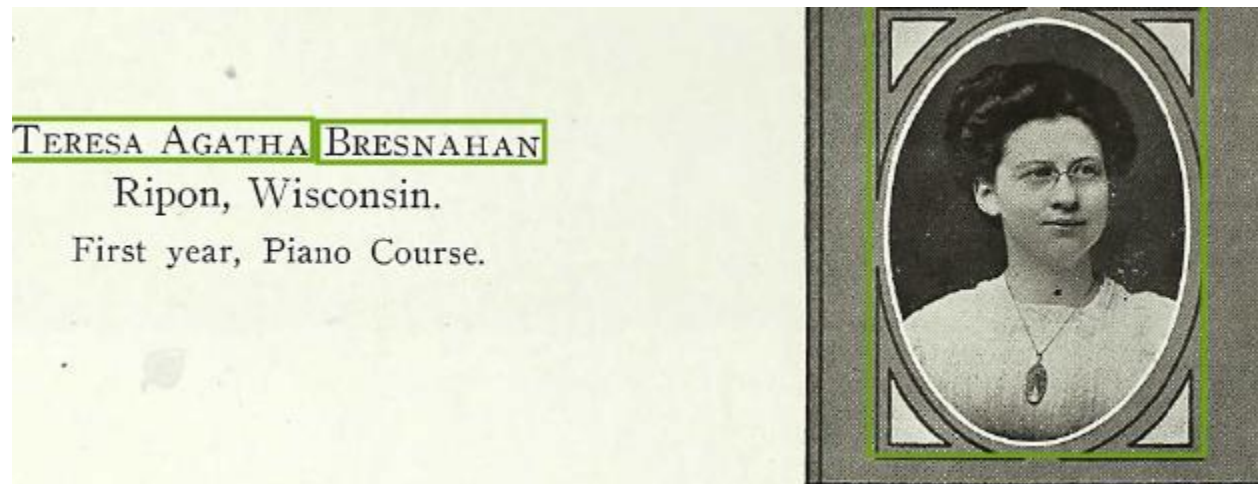
Mrs. Doenitz was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and the church's Women's Society. Prior to her retirement, she was employed at O'Brien's and Hills Department Stores.

One sister survives her, Miss Erma Bresnahan of Fond du Lac. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews. Seven sisters and two brothers preceded her in death.

Funeral services are scheduled for Friday at 12:30 p.m. at Zacherl Funeral Home, and at 1 p.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. The Rev. Julio Miralbes will officiate. Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery.

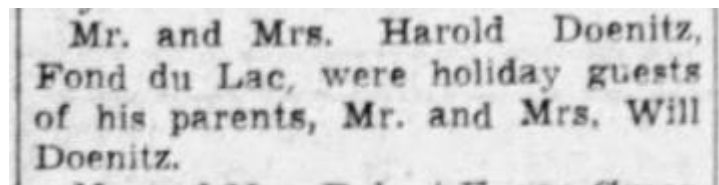
Friends may call Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

"Fond du Lac (WI) Reporter" Wednesday 20 Jan 1988 p 20

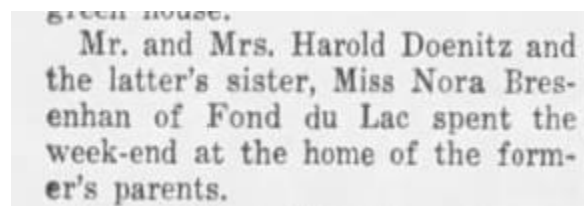


Ripon College yearbook 1912 -

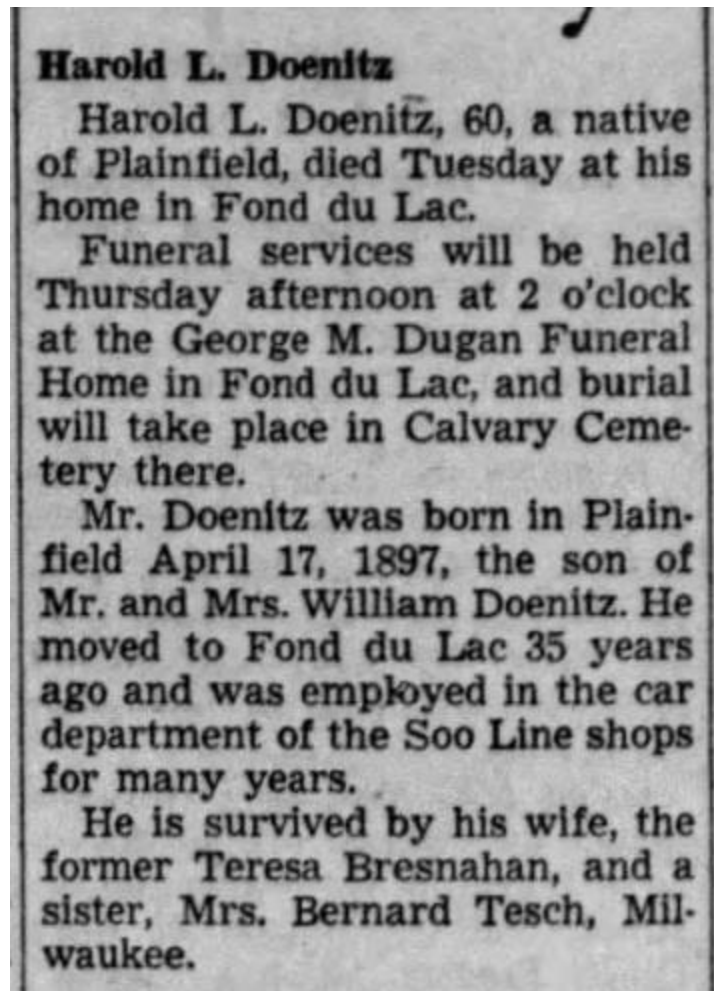
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Theresa – “Stevens Point (WI) Journal” Thursday 5 Sep 1940 p 5



Theesa & Nora - “Wisconsin Rapids (WI) Daily Tribune” Tuesday 5 Nov 1940 p 7




Harold Leon Doenitz was 1st married to Kathryn Breshanah – widowed, he married Kathryn’s sister Theresa Bresnahan - “Stevens Point (WI) Journal” Wednesday 12 Feb 1958
p 8

Katherine Agnes Brenahan Donitz
in the Wisconsin, U.S., Death Records, 1872-2004

Detail	Source
Name	Katherine Agnes Brenahan Donitz
Death Date	22 May 1934
Death County	Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, USA

Sister Kathryn Agnes Bresnahan Doenitz (ca. 1880 – 1934) – this WI death record says died 22 May 1934 - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/3918475%3A61483>

Kathryn Bresnahan
in the Wisconsin, U.S., Death Records, 1872-2004



Detail	Source
Name	Kathryn Bresnahan
Death Date	1 Aug 1938
Death County	Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, USA

This record says died 1 Aug 1938 - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/3827882:61483?tid=109001053&pid=210138488399&queryid=22e4c9f3-1517-4e93-9269-7bdb4d5d970a&_phsrc=cPx20646&_phstart=successSource

Katherine Bresnahan
in the Wisconsin, U.S., Marriage Records, 1820-2004



Detail	Source
Name	Katherine Bresnahan
Marriage Date	Aug 1927
Marriage County	Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, USA
Spouse	Harold L Doenitz

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/91129513%3A61484>

Mr. Boch and daughter, Emma, took Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Doenitz to Fond du Lac on Friday to attend the funeral of their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Harold Doenitz.

“Wisconsin Rapids (WI) Daily Tribune” Tuesday 5 Jun 1934 p 6

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Miss Bresnahan

Miss Erma F. Bresnahan, 95, formerly of 352 Eighth St., died Thursday, Nov. 10, 1988, at Americana Healthcare Center.

She was born Nov. 5, 1893, in Ripon, to William and Anna O'Malley Bresnahan.

Miss Bresnahan was employed with Hills Brothers Dry Goods Store until 1947, and later by O'Brien's Clothing Store until her retirement in 1973. She was a member of St. Joseph's Church and a former member of the church's Altar Society.

Survivors include: two nephews, John Tilson of Appleton and Everett Potter of New London; and four nieces, Mrs. Dolores Unferth and Mrs. Virginia Percy, both of Fond du Lac, Mrs. Madelyn Hoerning of New London and Mrs. Marcella Bresnahan of Ripon. Eight sisters and two brothers preceded her in death.


Funeral services will be held Monday at 9:30 a.m. at Zacherl Funeral Home, and at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church. The Rev. George Gibbons will officiate. Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery.


Friends may call Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. at the funeral home where a parish vigil will be held at 4:30 p.m.


Sister Erma F. Bresnahan (1893-1988) – "Fond du Lac (WI) Reporter" Friday 11 Nov 1988 p

Erma Bresnahan

Death • United States Social Security Death Index

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Name	Erma Bresnahan
State	Wisconsin
Last Place of Residence	Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin
Previous Residence Postal Code	54935
Age	95
Birth Date	05 Oct 1893
Death Date	10 Nov 1988

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:JYV8-WMQ>

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At Fond du Lac Wedding—

Mr. and Mrs. A. Henderson of this city were among the guests at the wedding of John C. Tilson of Chicago and Miss Eva M. Bresnahan of Fond du Lac, which was solemnized at Fond du Lac, Wednesday morning. Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's mother and dinner was served at 12:30, the guests numbering thirty-five. Mr. and Mrs. Tilson will live in Chicago, where Mr. Tilson is in the employ of the Garbell Typewriter company.

Sister Eva M. Bresnahan Tilson (1893-1981) – "Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Saturday 18 Feb 1922 p 4

Mrs. Eva Tilson

Mrs. Eva Tilson, 88, of 352 Eighth St., died Wednesday, Dec. 2, 1981, at Americana Healthcare Center.

She was born Oct. 5, 1893, at Ripon, the daughter of the late William and Anna O'Malley Bresnahan. On Feb. 15, 1922, she was married to John C. Tilson here, and he died Feb. 9, 1945.

Mrs. Tilson was a member of St. Mary's Church and Altar and Rosary Society.

Surviving are a son, John C. of Appleton; two sisters, Mrs. Theresa Doenitz and her twin Miss Erma Bresnahan, both of Fond du Lac. Two brothers and seven sisters preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at Zacherl Funeral Home and at 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Church. The Rev. Ernest O. Dreher will officiate, and burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Visitation for Mrs. Tilson will be after 3 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

"Fond du Lac (WI) Reporter" Thursday 3 Dec 1981 p 24

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Bureau of Records and Statistics

SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 393-07-3691
If veteran, name war

State File No. 3328.04
Local File No. 7663

FULL NAME JOHN C. TILSON

PLACE OF DEATH Wayne
County Wayne
Township Detroit
City or village Detroit
Name of hospital 3094 Garland
(If not in hospital, give street address.)
Length of stay: In hospital 22 YRS.
In this community

USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED:
State Michigan County Wayne
Township Detroit
City or village Detroit
Street No. 3094 Garland
Citizen of foreign country? NO
If yes, name country

Sex MALE Color or Race WHITE Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced Married

NAME OF HUSBAND or WIFE
Name Eva Age, if alive 51
Birth date of deceased August 1, 1885 19
Age: Years 59 Months 6 Days 6 If less than one day hrs. min.

Birthplace Clarence City, Iowa
Usual occupation Inspector
Industry or business Westinghouse Electric

Mother's name Byron Tilson
Birthplace Iowa
(Maiden name Unknown)
Birthplace "

Informant Eva Tilson
Address 3094 Garland, Detroit, Mich.

Burial, cremation or removal (Circle the word which applies)
Place Ford du Lac, Wisconsin
Cemetery Date Feb. 12, 1945

Funeral director's signature COOPER BROS. MORTUARY
W. N. Cooper
Address 10400 Mack Ave., Detroit, Mich.
Filed FEB 10 1945

MEDICAL CERTIFICATION
Date of death Feb - 9 - 45 1945
I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from 1st seen
1945 to Feb 9 1945 I last saw him alive on
1945 Death is said to have occurred on the
date stated above at M. Duration
Immediate cause of death Coronary
occlusion
Other contributory causes of importance
Pt. dead when
seen
Major findings and dates:
Of operations app. 10/19/45
Of autopsy FEB 10 1945
In case of violence, state if accident, homicide or suicide
Date 19
Where did injury occur? (Specify city, county, or state)
In industry, home or public place?
Was disease or injury related to occupation of deceased?
Signature Samuel J. Trinity, M.D.
Address 8880 Audubon

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MI death record of John Charles Tilson - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/455652:60872?tid=&pid=&queryid=2161b1ca-ad49-432c-96d8-6bb27d56de4a&_phsrc=cPx20728&_phstart=successSource

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Harold William Bresnahan

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Supply Co. B - private

Serial number: 251,035

Entered service from: Ripon, Fond du Lac WI

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Harold William Bresnahan

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": mother Mrs. William Bresnahan, 216 Oshkosh St., Ripon WI

Returned from war on: "Virginian" May 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Harold W. Bresnahan

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Anna Bresnahan, 216 Oshkosh St., Ripon WI (cpl, Co. B, 107th Supply Train)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Harold Bresnahan - b. 11 Oct 1895 Ripon WI; res: 213 Park St., Kenosha WI. Single. Hotel clerk, D.T. (?) McOwen, Kenosha Hotel, Kenosha WI. Claimed exemption from draft: yes – eyes – also sick in hospital mth pneumonia” – adds on 2nd page: “ill with pneumonia now”- short in height, medium build. Registered 4 Jun 1917 in advance of the 5 Jun 1917 national registration day.

National Tuscania Survivors Association 1939 roster: 16 - 7th St., Fond du Lac WI

World War II draft registration (1942): as Harold William Bresnahan - b. 11 Oct 1895 Ripon WI; res: 954 Main St., Oshkosh, Winnebago WI. Contact Mr. L.B. Davis of same address.

Note: Menasha B3 late due to illness. Height: 5' 5 ½ ", 140 lbs. Registered 28 Apr 1942.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 15 Jul 1917

Discharged 29 May 1919

Address: 467 Julius St., Kenosha WI

Rank/unit: corporal, QMC

Birth & death:

Born: 11 Oct 1895 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI [WI birth record lists his name as William Herato Bresnahan]

Died: 15 Jul 1968 Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI (at the South Hills Golf & Country Club, where he was employed)

Find A Grave record: 175564951, with presence on Tuscania noted in text & flower (text correction in erroneous obituary that he was on the "Titanic")

Burial location: Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI

Cemetery: Calvary Cemetery & Mausoleum

Tombstone:

Father: William Bresnahan, 12 Apr 1834 Boherbee, County Cork, Ireland – 12 Apr 1917 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI. Surname also listed as Bornihan.

In the 1910 census, he indicates he was married previously before marrying Anna O'Malley.

His 1st wife was Catherine Callahan, 1836 Ireland (also from County Cork) – 1876 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI. She is also buried in St. Patrick Catholic Cemetery, Ripon, Fond du Lac WI, F: 128110696. Catherine was the mother of Martin Bresnahan.

William is buried in St. Patrick Catholic Cemetery, Ripon, Fond du Lac WI.

Find A Grave: 128110575

Mother: Anna O'Malley (O'Maley/O'Malia) Bresnahan, 4 Dec 1851 NY – 3 Oct 1937 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI.

Daughter of Patrick [William in her obituary] O'Malley & Mary Howley.

Obituary: "Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" 7 Oct 1937 p 12 – Funeral 7 Oct 1937 at St. Joseph's, Fond du Lac, with burial in St. Patrick Cemetery, for Mrs. Anna Bresnahan, age 85, widow of William Bresnahan. Died 4 Oct 1937 in her Fond du Lac home. Born 4 Dec 1851 NY, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. William O'Malley. Moved west with her parents, settling on a farm near Osceola WI, then moved to Ripon WI. She was married 60 years ago at St. Patrick's to William Bresnahan, who died 21 years ago. Four years after his death, she moved to Fond du Lac. She is survived by 9 children: Martin Bresnahan (Proctor MN), Mrs. Frank Potter [Mary] of Ripon WI, Mrs. Alex Henderson [Julia] of Oshkosh, Harold Bresnahan of Oshkosh, Mrs. G.C. Pilson [more likely Eva Tilson] of Fond du Lac, and the Misses Nellie, Nora, Theresa [later Doenitz] & Erma Bresnahan, at home.

Buried in St. Patrick Catholic Cemetery, Ripon, Fond du Lac WI.

Find A Grave: 128110860

Marriage: ca. 1877

Spouse: Marie A. Mayer Bresnahan, 3 Jul 1898 Kenosha, Kenosha WI – 20 Mar 1990 Manitowoc, Manitowoc WI.

Daughter of John Mayer & Phillipine Buscher.

Obituary: "Kenosha News" 22 Mar 1990 p 4 – d. age 91 in Manitowoc, former resident of Kenosha. Died at Manitowoc Health Care Center 20 Mar 1990. Daughter of John & Phillipine (Buscher) Mayer. Born 3 Jul 1898 Kenosha WI. Worked at American Motors Corp. in Kenosha, where she retired as chief operator in 1975. Then worked 6 years at the Kenosha Elks Club. Member American Legion Auxiliary. Survived by daughter Shirley (Mrs. Eugene) Meyers of Appleton WI. Also "Kenosha News" 22 Mar 1990 p 32 – Funeral for Marie on 22 Mar at Sacred Heart Church, Manitowoc, with interment in St. George Cemetery, Kenosha WI.

Buried in St. George Cemetery, Kenosha, Kenosha WI.

Spouse Find A Grave: 110207207

Marriage: 11 Aug 1920 Kenosha, Kenosha WI in St. George Catholic Church - "Kenosha Evening News" 5 Apr 1920 p 3 - on 4 Apr 1920, the engagement of Miss Marie Mayer, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. J.J. Mayer of 703 N. Chicago St., Kenosha, to Corporal Harold Bresnahan, son of Mrs. William Bresnahan of Ripon WI. The wedding will occur in early fall. "Miss Mayer is one of Kenosha's best known and popular young ladies." Harold was one of the 1st Kenosha men to answer the call to the colors, enlisting in Co. M. He survived the sinking of the Tuscania.

Child:

- Shirley Ann Bresnahan Meyers, 28 Nov 1926 Kenosha, Kenosha WI – 15 Aug 2016 Manitowoc, Manitowoc WI. Wife of Eugene Theodore Meyers (1926-2007, F: 168613888). - Wedding: "Kenosha News" 18 Oct 1947 p 3 – photo – Miss Shirley Ann Bresnahan, daughter of Mrs. Marie Bresnahan, 11th Ave., Kenosha [note father Harold not mentioned] was married 18 Oct 1947 to Eugene T. Meyers, son of Mr. &

Mrs. Earl M. Meyers of Racine. Obituary: "Manitowoc (WI) Herald-Times" 18 Aug 2016 p. B8 – Shirley Meyers, age 89, d. 15 Aug 2016 in Manitowoc WI. Born 28 Nov 1926 Kenosha WI, daughter of Harold & Marie (Mayer) Bresnahan. Married 18 Oct 1947 to Eugene T. Meyers, who d. 14 Jul 2007. Preceded in death by parents & husband. Buried in Highland Memorial Park, Appleton, Outagamie WI, with husband Eugene Theodore Meyers. F: 168613792

Half-sibling: by his father William Bresnahan's marriage to Catherine Callahan

- Martin Bresnahan, 7 Jun 1871 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI – 6 Feb 1955 Madison, Dane WI (University Hospital). Resident of Proctor MN in Oct 1937 when his mother died. Husband of Delia Reynolds (1873 Ireland – 1925 MN, F: 128111212) whom he married in Manhattan NY on 25 Feb 1900. – Husband of Anna Fredericke Harder Carter (1888 IA – 1978 WI, F: 128110287), whom he married 8 Jun 1929 in Duluth, St. Louis Co. MN. - Buried in St. Patrick Catholic Cemetery, Ripon, Fond du Lac WI. F: 128852848

Siblings:

- Mary L. Bresnahan Potter, 25 Nov 1877 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI – 11 Apr 1959 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI. Wife of Frank J. Potter (1866-1947, F: 75674248), whom she married 27 Jan 1897 in Ripon, Fond du Lac Co. WI. Resident of Ripon WI in Oct 1937 when her mother died. Her surviving sisters are listed as Nellie, Nora, Erma, Theresa, Eva & Julia. Buried in Loper Cemetery, Ripon, Fond du Lac WI. F: 75674249
- Julia Bresnahan Henderson, 20 Dec 1879 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI – 30 Oct 1978 Fond du Lac Co. WI or New London, Outagamie WI. Wife of Alexander Henderson (1871-1937, F: 148629629), whom she married 18 Nov 1903 in Fond du Lac Co. WI. Buried in St. Patrick Catholic Cemetery, Ripon, Fond du Lac WI. F: 148629740
- Nellie Ellen Elizabeth Bresnahan, 11 Jun 1881 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI – 13 Jun 1964 Fond du Lac Co. WI. Listed by Social Security in Aug 1943 & in the 1944 Fond du Lac WI city directory & in sister Mary's Apr 1959 obituary. Age 26 in 1910 census. Resident of Ripon WI in Oct 1937 when her mother died. – In the 1940 census for Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI, Nellie Bresnahan, 54 WI, single, resided with her sister at 263 – 6th St. - Nellie may be a nickname; her name appears to be Ellen Elizabeth. Buried in Calvary Cemetery & Mausoleum, Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI. Billion Graves #17116527
- Annabelle Bresnahan Arnold, 25 May 1884 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI – 16 May 1936 Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI. Wife of Clark Arnold (1883-1969, F: 97982921) whom she married 20 Dec 1907 in Fond du Lac Co. WI. Buried in Calvary Cemetery & Mausoleum, Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI. F: 97982916
- Nora M. Bresnahan, 25 Apr 1887 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI – 29 Oct 1969 Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI. Age 23 in 1910 census. Miss Nora was living with her sister, Mrs. Teresa Doenitz, when she died. Buried in Calvary Cemetery & Mausoleum, Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI. F: 192072917

- Theresa (Teresa) Agatha Bresnahan Doenitz, 10 Jun 1890 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI – 18 Jan 1988 Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI. Age 22 in 1910 census. Wife of Harold Leon Doenitz (17 Apr 1897 Plainfield, Waushara WI – 11 Feb 1958 Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI), the son of William E. Doenitz (1869 Germany – 1943, F: 74721665) & Selma E. Yohn (1874-1955, F: 74721664). Harold was the widower of her sister, Kathryn/Katherine Bresnahan, who died in 1934. Theresa & Harold married 1 Aug 1940 in Fond du lac, Fond du Lac WI. - Obituary, the widower of her sister Kathryn. “Fond du Lac Commonwealth Reporter” 20 Jan 1988 p 20 – Mrs. Theresa Doenitz, age 97, d. 18 Jan 1988 in Americana Healthcare Center. Born 10 Jun 1890 in Ripon to William & Anna (O’Malley) Bresnahan. Wife of Harold Leon Doenitz. Survived by 1 sister: Miss Erma Bresnahan of Fond du Lac. Preceded in death by 7 sisters & 2 brothers. Buried in Calvary Cemetery, Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI.
- Kathryn/Katheryn/Katherine (Katie) Agnes Bresnahan Doenitz, ca. 1880 (1910 census) WI - 22 May 1934 Fond du Lac Co. WI. Age 20 in 1910 census. Married Harold Leon Doenitz in Aug 1927 in Fond du Lac Co. WI. Following her death, Harold lived with her sisters in Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI & then married Kathryn’s sister Theresa Bresnahan. On 17 Sep 2024, her Find A Grave record read “Katherine Brennthan Doentz.” She is buried in Rienzi Cemetery, Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI. F: 72985806
- Erma (Irma) F. Bresnahan, twin of Eva N., 5 Oct 1893 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI [her twin Eva’s obituary gives birth date of 5 Oct 1893 while Erma’s lists 5 Nov 1893; Erma’s WI birth record reads 5 Oct 1893 so Find A Grave as of 17 Sep 2024 is incorrect] – 10 Nov 1988 Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI. Age 16 in 1910 census. Obituary: “Fond du Lac Commonwealth Reporter” 13 Nov 1988 p 2 – Miss Erma F. Bresnahan, age 95, died 10 Nov 1988 at Americana Healthcare Center. She was born 5 Nov 1893 to William & Anna (O’Malley) Bresnahan. Preceded in death by 8 sisters & 2 brothers. Buried in Calvary Cemetery, Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI.
- Eva M. N. Bresnahan Tilson, twin of Erma F., 5 Oct 1893 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI [her twin Erma’s obituary gives birth date of 5 Nov 1893]– 2 Dec 1981 Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI. Age 16 in 1910 census. Wife of John Charles Tilson (1 Aug 1885 Charles City IA – 9 Feb 1945 Detroit, Wayne MI, body returned to Fond du Lac WI. Listed as Mrs. G.C. PILSON in her mother’s Oct 1937 obituary. When John Charles Tilson registered for the WWII draft on 24 Apr 1942, he lived in the Savarine Hotel, Detroit MI & was employed at the US Naval Ordnance Plant, Centerline MI. His next-of-kin was Eva M. Tilson, 352 – 8th St., Fond du Lac WI. - Eva’s obituary: “Fond du Lac Commonwealth Reporter” 3 Dec 1981 p 24 – Mrs. Eva Tilson, age 88, d. 2 Dec 1981 at Americana Healthcare Center. Born 5 Oct 1893 Ripon WI, daughter of William & Anna (O’Malley) Bresnahan. Married 15 Feb 1922 to John C. Tilson in Ripon WI; he died 9 Feb 1945. Survived by 2 sisters: Mrs. Theresa Doenitz & her twin, Miss Erma Bresnahan. Preceded in death by 2 brothers & 7 sisters. Buried in Calvary Cemetery, Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI.

Who?

- Minnie Parr, resident of Ripon WI in 1955, listed as surviving sister of Martin Bresnahan. Unable to trace.

Notes:

Family tree at: <https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/details/GXB7-QRY>

Family tree of half-brother Martin Bresnahan at:

<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/167302341/person/132175281378/facts>

1940 Fond du Lac WI city directory – all residents of 263 – 6th
Bresnahan
Erma, saleswoman, Hill Bros. Dry Goods Co
Nellie
Nora
Teresa, saleswoman, Wm. A. O'Brien Co.

1942 Fond du Lac WI city directory – all residents of 263 – 6th
Bresnahan
Erma F., saleswoman, Hills Bros. Dry Goods
Nellie E.
Nora M.

1944 Fond du Lac WI city directory – all residents of 263 – 6th
Bresnahan
Erma F., saleswoman, Hills Bros. Dry Goods Co.
Nellie E.
Nora

Wartime:

Post-war:

“Oshkosh Northwestern” 20 Jan 1940 p 4 – Harold Bresnahan was sentenced to 1 to 3 years at the State Prison in Waupun this morning. Age 45. On 8 Jan 1940 forged the name of his employer, W.G. Dodd, on a \$30 check. Earlier this week he applied for parole; it was denied. Harold admitted he forged checks on a number of occasions but always made them good. He is divorced & the father of 1 child. He has lived in Fond du Lac & New London. In Oshkosh, he resided at 708 Mount Vernon St.

“Oshkosh Northwestern” 7 Jun 1943 p 5 – Harold Bresnahan, age 47, a resident of the Milner Hotel, pled guilty in Municipal Court on 7 Jun 1943 to a charge of grand larceny. He stole \$75 from Mrs. Viola Sprague, proprietor of the Blue Front Tavern on High Street, where he is employed as a bartender. He said he was intoxicated 2 Jun when he stole the

money. He went to Milwaukee where he spent all but \$16, returning to Oshkosh 5 Jun where he was arrested at Main & High streets on his way to the tavern.

Obituary:

Social Security Number: 391-05-6275

Censuses:

1880 WI state census – Ripon, Fond du Lac WI – conducted 1 Jun 1880

William Borsnihan [sic], 42 Ireland, father b. Ireland, farmer

Anna, 28 NY, father b. Ireland, keeping house

Martin, 9 WI

Mary Sawn (?), 2 WI

Julia, 5 months WI

1905 WI state census – Ripon, Fond du Lac WI

William Bresnahan, 69 Ireland, father b. Ireland, retired

Annie, 53 NY, father b. Ireland

Nellie, 24 WI

Nora M., 18 WI, machine operator

Teresa G., 17 WI, student

Kathryn A., 15 WI, student

Erma F., 11 WI, student

Eva M., 11 WI

Harold, 9 WI

1910 Ripon, Fond du Lac WI – Oshkosh Street

William Bresnaham [sic], 75 Ireland, parents b. Ireland, in 2nd marriage, married 34 years, emigrated 1858, naturalized, farmer, truck farm

Anna, 60 NY, parents b. Ireland, in 1st marriage, gave birth to 10 children, 9 are living

Nellie E., 26 WI, knitter, knitting factory

Nora M., 23 WI, teacher, public school

Teresa A., 22 WI, stenographer, land office

Katie A., 20 WI, teacher, public school

Erma F., 16 WI

Eva N., 16 WI

Harold W., 13 WI

1930 Kenosha, Kenosha WI – 7311 – 10th Ave. (rented)

Harold Bresnahan, 35 WI, parents b. WI, age 25 at 1st marriage, commercial salesman, WWI veteran

Marrie, 31 WI, parents b. WI, age 21 at 1st marriage

Shirley Ann, 3 WI

Francis Kruger, 24 MN, parents b. MN, single, nurse, private home [lodger – female]

1940 Waupun, Dodge WI – Wisconsin State Prison

Harold Bresnahan, 44 WI, divorced, inmate 25369 – resident of Oshkosh, Winnebago WI in 1935

1940 Kenosha, Kenosha WI – 25th Ave. – same place in 1935 [misindexed as Mariel & Mariah]

Marie A. Bresnahan, 41 WI, divorced, switch board operator, automobile factory

Shirley Ann, 13 WI

1940 Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac WI – 263 – 6th St.

Emma Bresnahan, 45 WI, single, saleslady, retail department store [head of household]

Thresa Bresnahan, 50 WI, single, saleslady, retail department store [sister]

Nora Bresnahan, 52 WI, single

Nellie Bresnahan, 54 WI, single

Harold Doenitz, 42 WI, widowed, millwright, steam railroad [brother-in-law]

Harold Doenitz was the widower of the women's sister, Kathryn Bresnahan. He then marries Theresa Bresnahan.

1950 cannot locate