

# TUSCANIA

**Bennight, Joseph Benton (Sr.)**  
**1895 TX – 1971 TX**

BENNIGHT JOSEPH BENTON  
 Ck Hq Det Dem Gp  
 Bessmay Tex

Sn 250 231 Died 9-20-71  
 Born 8/9/95  
 Dis 9/19/17 Dis 6/11/19

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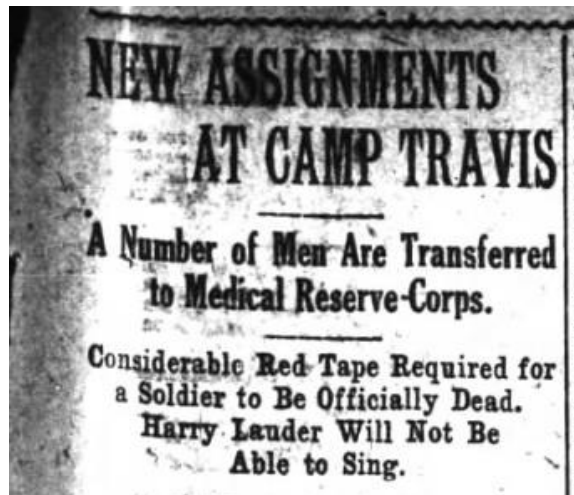
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Bennight	Joseph B	250,231	White	1 1/2
(Surname)	(Christian name)	(Army serial number)	(Race: White or colored)	
Residence: St Augustine - San		TEXAS		
(Street and house number)	(Town or city)	(County)	(State)	
<del>*Enlisted in</del> Inducted St Augustine Tex Sept 19/17				
† Born in Bastrop Co Tex 22 1/12 yrs				
Organizations: Btry A 344 FA to Dec 15/17; Hq Det 6 Bn 20 Engrs to disch				
Grades: Pvt; Cook July 6/18				
Engagements:				
Wounds or other injuries received in action: None.				
‡ Served overseas: Jan 24/18 to May 28/19				
§ Hon. disch. June 11/19 on demobilization				
Was reported 0 per cent disabled on date of discharge, in view of occupation.				
Remarks:				
Form No. 734-1 1/2, A. G. O. March 12, 1920.				
*Insert "R. A.", "N. G.", "E. I. C.", "N. A.", as case may be, followed by place and date of enlistment.				
† Give place of birth and date of birth, or age at enlistment.				
‡ Give dates of departure from and arrival in the United States. § Give date.				

TX WWI Records: serial 250231. Born Bastrop TX. Resident of San Augustine Co.  
 [handwritten correction to typed "St. Augustine County." Inducted St. Augustine [sic] 19  
 Sep 1917, age 22 years, 1 month. Battery A, 344 FA to 15 Dec 1917, HQ Det, 6 Bn, 20 Engrs  
 to discharge. Private – cook 6 Jul 1918. Overseas 24 Jan 1918 to 28 May 1919. Discharged  
 11 Jun 1919.- [https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89MN-396P-](https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89MN-396P-Y?view=index&personArk=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3AQV18-8B2K&action=view)  
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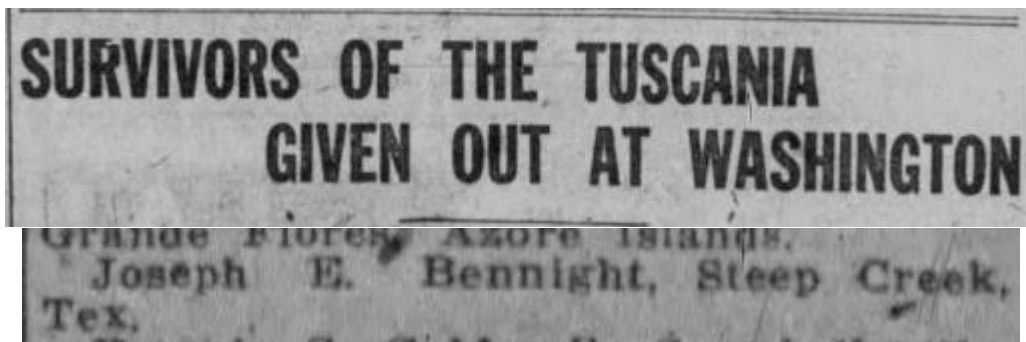
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From the 165th depot brigade, Privates William W. Hicks, Botello Brantio and Daniel Cohun. From the 343d field artillery, Privates L. McDaniel and William W. Wright. From the 344th field artillery, Privates Joseph B. Bennight, Jim Stone, Roscoe Houston, Sam J. Pentecost, Charles R. Polley, Toetil Vandik, H. M. Cornelius, W. A. Homerly, Sam A. Sorrels, Benjamin Dyer, James C. Miller, John Schaeffer, Thomas E. Hagens and Russell V. Patterson. From 345th field artillery, Edgar C. Ainsworth. From 344th machine gun battalion, Private First Class John W. Deason and Private Ed Ellis.

Excerpt – "Houston (TX) Post" Friday 4 Jan 1918 p 5



"Nashville (TN) Banner" Sunday 10 Feb 1918 p 4

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennight, Sr., Mrs. Joe Bennight, Jr., and children, Francis, Mary Jo and Morris of Bastrop were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennight and family.

"Taylor (TX) Daily Press" Tuesday 10 Nov 1942 p 2

Wife:

STATE OF TEXAS 123-01-3 123-01		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 4201 25		STATE FILE NO. 71878	
1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY <b>Jefferson</b>		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (where deceased lived. If institution, residence before admission) a. STATE <b>Texas</b> b. COUNTY <b>Jefferson</b>			
b. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) <b>Beaumont</b>		c. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) <b>Beaumont</b>			
c. LENGTH OF STAY in l.h. <b>43 Yrs</b>		d. STREET ADDRESS (if rural, give location) <b>2655 Delaware</b>			
d. NAME OF (if not in hospital, give street address) HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION <b>D.O.A St. Elizabeth Hospital</b>		e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>			
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) <b>Lottie Alma Bennight</b>		4. DATE OF DEATH <b>November 2, 1965</b>			
5. SEX <b>Female</b>		6. DATE OF BIRTH <b>February 18, 1903</b>			
7. COLOR OR RACE <b>White</b>		8. AGE (in years, months, and days) <b>62</b>			
9. MARITAL STATUS Married <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Never Married <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/>		10. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) <b>Bronson, Texas</b>			
11. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done 100. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY during most of working life, even if retired) <b>Housewife Home</b>		12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? <b>U.S.A.</b>			
13. FATHER'S NAME <b>Isaac Keller</b>		14. MOTHER'S MARRIAGE NAME <b>Delia McBride</b>			
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) (If yes, give war or dates of service) <b>No</b>		16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. <b>Unknown</b>			
17. INFORMANT <b>J. E. Bennight</b>		18. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause on line for (a), (b), and (c).) PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) <b>Coronary Occlusion</b> CONDITION, IF ANY, WHICH GAVE RISE TO ABOVE CAUSE (b) <b>Minutes</b> CAUSE (c) <b>Minutes</b>			
19. PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a) <b>None</b>		20. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
21. ACCIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> SUICIDE <input type="checkbox"/> HOMICIDE <input type="checkbox"/>		22. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED <b>None</b>			
23. TIME OF INJURY Hour <b>5:20</b> Month <b>Nov</b> Day <b>2</b> Year <b>1965</b>		24. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.) <b>None</b>			
25. INJURY OCCURRED While at work <input type="checkbox"/> Not while at work <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		26. CITY OF DEATH <b>Beaumont</b>			
27. I hereby certify that <b>xxxxxxx</b> Held an Inquest <b>xxxxx</b> November 2, 1965 and last saw the deceased <b>xxxx</b> November 2, 1965. Death occurred at <b>5:20 A.M.</b> on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.		28. ADDRESS <b>Jefferson County Court House</b>			
29. SIGNATURE <b>W. J. McCullough</b> (Coroner)		30. DATE SIGNED <b>11-2-65</b>			
31. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) <b>Burial</b>		32. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY <b>Forest Lawn Memorial Park</b>			
33. LOCATION (City, town, or county) <b>Beaumont Texas</b>		34. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE <b>Kelley-Hixson Funeral Home</b>			
35. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. <b>973</b>		36. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE <b>J. E. Bennight</b>			

TX death record of Lottie Alma Keller Bennight -

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**Mrs. Lottie Bennight**  
 BUNA (Spl) — Funeral services were held today at 2 p.m. in the North End Baptist Church for Mrs. Lottie Alma Bennight, 62, of Beaumont, sister of Mrs. Mitchell West and Mrs. Audie Ausley, both of Buna.  
 She died yesterday at 5:20 a.m. in a Beaumont hospital following a brief illness.  
 Rev. J. T. DeLoach, pastor, officiated. Burial was in Forest Lawn Memorial Park under direction of Kelley-Hixson Funeral Home of Beaumont.  
 A native of Bronson, she had lived in Beaumont 43 years. She was a member of the North End Baptist Church.  
 Other survivors include her husband, J. B. Bennight of Beaumont; three daughters, Mrs. Jack Bourland and Mrs. Doyle Luther, both of Beaumont, and Mrs. Fay Addcock of Silsbee; nine grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Obituary of Lottie Alma Keller Bennight – “Orange (TX) Leader” Wednesday 3 Nov 1965 p 3

Children:



Daughter Bernice Bennight Luther (1921-2004) – Find A Grave 107085382



# Lottie Verline Bennight

Birth • Texas Birth Index, 1903-1997

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Name **Lottie Verline Bennight**

Event Type **Birth**

Event Date **19 Dec 1923**

Event Place **Jasper, Texas**

Certificate Number **76689**

Daughter Lottie Verline Bennight Adcock (1923-2012) -  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:V8CX-MDY>

123-456-1234 TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH E2190 47  
 BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS  
 STATE OF TEXAS CERTIFICATE OF DEATH STATE FILE NO. 18635

1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY <b>Jefferson</b> b. CITY (if outside corporate limits, write NAME and give precinct no.) <b>Beaumont</b>		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where claimed last, if institution, residence before admission) a. STATE <b>Texas</b> b. COUNTY <b>Jefferson</b> c. CITY (if outside corporate limits, write NAME and give precinct no.) <b>Beaumont</b> d. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) <b>2226-- 7th Street</b>	
3. NAME OF DECEASED a. (First) <b>Joseph</b> b. (Middle) <b>Benton</b> c. (Last) <b>Bennight Jr</b> (Type or Print)		4. DATE OF DEATH <b>April 15, 1954</b>	
5. SEX <b>Male</b>	6. COLOR OR RACE <b>White</b>	7. MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED (Specify) <b>Married</b>	8. DATE OF BIRTH <b>Aug. 16, 1926</b> 9. AGE <b>27</b> YEARS <b>7</b> MONTHS <b>29</b> DAYS
10a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work being done most of working life even if retired) <b>Salesman and truck driver-Taystee Bread Co., Beaumont, Texas</b>		11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) <b>Beaumont, Texas</b>	
12. FATHER'S NAME <b>Joseph Benton Bennight, Sr</b> BIRTHPLACE <b>Texas</b>		13. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME <b>Lottie Alma Keller</b> BIRTHPLACE <b>Texas</b>	
14. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) <b>No</b> (If yes, give war or dates of service)		15. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. <b>452-26-2799</b> 16. INFORMANT'S SIGNATURE <b>Mrs Ruth Bennight</b>	
17. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per item for (a), (b), and (c)) a. DISEASE OR CONDITION DIRECTLY LEADING TO DEATH (a) <b>shock from 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree burns over 90% of body</b> b. ANTICIPATED CAUSES c. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS		INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH <b>about 10 hours</b>	
18a. DATE OF OPERATION		18b. MAJOR FINDINGS OF OPERATION	
19a. ACCIDENT b. SUICIDE c. HOMICIDE <b>Accident</b>		20. PLACE OF INJURY (a. In or about home, farm, factory, office, shop, etc.) <b>near Kirbyville, Texas</b> 20c. (CITY, TOWN, OR PRECINCT NO.) (COUNTY) (STATE) <b>near Kirbyville Jasper Texas</b>	
21. TIME OF INJURY (Month) (Day) (Year) <b>4/15/54</b>		22. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT (a) WORK (b) NOT WHILE WORKING (c) AT HOME (d) OTHER (Specify) <b>truck overturned after striking bridge</b>	
23. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from <b>4/15/54</b> to <b>4/15/54</b> , and that death occurred at <b>11:05 P.m.</b> from the causes and on the date stated above.			
24. SIGNATURE <b>[Signature]</b> (Type or Print) <b>John R. Garthoff, M.D.</b>		25. ADDRESS <b>613 Goodhue Bldg., Beaumont, Texas</b> 26. DATE SIGNED <b>4/20/54</b>	
27. FUNERAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) <b>Burial</b>		28. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY <b>Forest Lawn Memorial Park</b>	
29. LOCATION (City, town, or county) <b>Beaumont Texas</b>		30. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE <b>Roberts and Pipkin Bros</b>	
31. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. <b>286</b>		32. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR <b>April 20, 1954</b> 33. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE <b>[Signature]</b>	

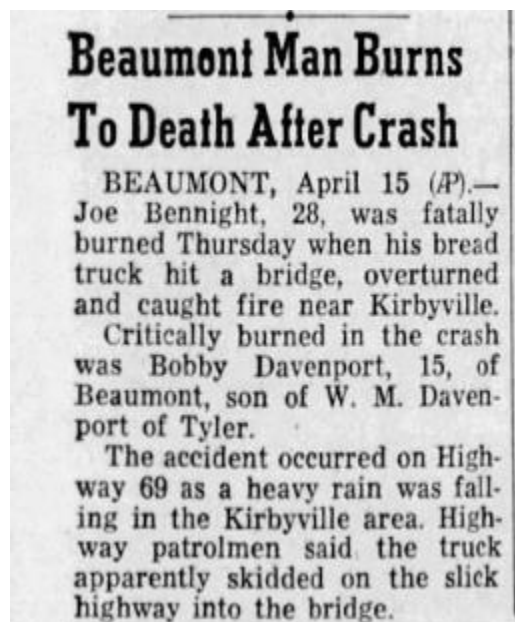
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TX death record of son Joseph Benton Bennight Jr. (1925-1954) -

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Joseph Benton Bennight Jr. – Beaumont (TX) High School yearbook, 1940 -  
[https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/1265/images/43134\\_b193554-00067?pId=371774009](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/1265/images/43134_b193554-00067?pId=371774009)



"Fort Worth (TX) Star-Telegram" Friday 16 Apr 1954 p 5

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH		TEXAS STATE BOARD OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		Reg. Dis. No. <b>25669</b> Registered No. <b>85</b>	B. O. V. S. <b>D</b>
County <u>Jefferson</u>		City <u>Beaumont</u>		Residence <u>1402 Ave. F</u>	
2 FULL NAME <u>Infant of J.B. Bennight</u>		(a) RESIDENCE NO. <u>1402</u> St. <u>Ave. F.</u>		(b) How long in U. S. if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.	
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. ds.		3 SEX <u>F</u> 4 COLOR OR RACE <u>W</u> 5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) <u>S</u>			
6 DATE OF BIRTH <u>July 2</u> 192 <u>6</u>		16 DATE OF DEATH <u>July 2</u> 192 <u>6</u>			
7 AGE <u>0</u> yrs <u>0</u> mos <u>0</u> ds. If less than 1 day hrs. mins.		17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>July 2</u> , 192 <u>6</u> , to <u>July 2</u> , 192 <u>6</u> , that I last saw <u>her</u> alive on <u>July 2</u> , 192 <u>6</u> , and that death occurred on the date stated above, at <u>9:15</u> a.m.			
8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work. (b) General nature of industry, business or establishment in which employed (or employee).		The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>Premature Birth</u>			
9 BIRTHPLACE (State or country) <u>Beaumont</u>		Contributory (Secondary) <u>✓</u>			
10 NAME OF FATHER <u>J.B. Bennight</u>		18 Where was disease contracted? <u>✓</u> if not at place of death?			
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) <u>Texas</u>		Did an operation precede death? <u>no</u> Date of <u>✓</u>			
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Lottie Keller</u>		Was there an autopsy? <u>no</u>			
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) <u>Texas</u>		What test confirmed diagnosis? <u>History</u>			
14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE		(Signed) <u>J. D. Morrison</u> M. D. <u>July 2</u> , 192 <u>6</u> (Address) <u>Beaumont</u>			
(Informant) <u>J.B. Bennight</u>		State the Disease Causing Death, or in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means and Nature of Injury, and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal.			
(Address) <u>Beaumont Texas</u>		19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>Magnolia Cemetery</u>			
15 <u>July 3</u> 192 <u>6</u> <u>J.O. Bernhage</u> Registrar		DATE OF BURIAL <u>7/3/26</u>			
		20 UNDERTAKER <u>Roberts Und. Co.</u>			
		ADDRESS <u>712 North</u>			

Form 15b-71544-221-52a

Baby girl Bennight, born & died 16 Aug 1925

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Daughter Eva Joyce Bennight Stivner (1930-2020) – Find A Grave 208671294

TEXAS STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS  
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH

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County of Harris Registration District No. \_\_\_\_\_ File No. \_\_\_\_\_  
City Houston (No. 1535 Oxford St., \_\_\_\_\_) Register No. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_

(2) FULL NAME OF CHILD Eva Joyce Bennight If child is not yet named, make supplemental report as directed.

(1) Sex of Child <u>Female</u>	(4) Twin, triplet, or other <u>yes</u>	(5) Number in order of birth <u>yes</u>	(6) Legitimate (Yes or No) <u>yes</u>	(7) Date of Birth <u>February 13, 1930</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)
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<p>(8) FATHER FULL NAME <u>Joseph Bennight</u> (9) RESIDENCE Post Office Address <u>Houston Texas</u> (10) COLOR <u>White</u> (11) AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY <u>34</u> (Years)</p>	<p>(14) MOTHER FULL MAIDEN NAME <u>Lottie Keller</u> (15) RESIDENCE Post Office Address <u>Houston, Tex</u> (16) COLOR <u>White</u> (17) AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY <u>27</u> (Years)</p>
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<p>(12) BIRTHPLACE <u>Lee County, Texas</u> (13) OCCUPATION <u>Capehanger</u></p>	<p>(18) BIRTHPLACE <u>Sabine Co., Texas</u> (19) OCCUPATION <u>Housewife</u></p>
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(20) Number of children born to this mother, including present birth 5 (21) Number of children of this mother now living 4

(22) CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE\*

I hereby certify that I attended the birth of this child, who was born alive at 3:04 M. on the date above stated

(Signature) Norman O. Hodde, M.D.  
(Physician or Midwife)  
Address 2812 N. Ave., Houston, Tex.

Give name added from a supplemental report \_\_\_\_\_, 1930

(23) Filed FEB 18 1930, 1930 J. J. McDonald  
Registrar. \_\_\_\_\_ Registrar.

(24) Were prophylactic precautions taken at time of birth to prevent ophthalmia neonatorum? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

When more than one child is born a certificate for each child must be filed, listing items (1) through (13) and (15) through (21) for each child. For stillbirth file both birth and death certificates.

FORM 528

TX death record of Eva - <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939K-7HSF-2X?view=index&personArk=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3AVXMZ-33S&action=view>



Eva Joyce Bennight, Beaumont (TX) High School, 1948 yearbook -  
[https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/1265/images/43134\\_b191898-00016?pld=354323172](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/1265/images/43134_b191898-00016?pld=354323172)

Father:



George Ancil Bennight – left: <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/10395058/person/102368969908/media/92ecdde1-eb20-485b-992d-10c6d0001ce3> and right:

One of the young men pictured is George Ancil Bennett -  
[https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/31281212/person/12411419942/media/647762e4-5564-48e9-b2e3-aa6dbd683698?queryId=51cfb640-290b-42bb-8422-d93d1c522213&\\_phsrc=cPx7185&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/31281212/person/12411419942/media/647762e4-5564-48e9-b2e3-aa6dbd683698?queryId=51cfb640-290b-42bb-8422-d93d1c522213&_phsrc=cPx7185&_phstart=successSource)

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS  
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

38259

1. PLACE OF DEATH  
STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF Jefferson  
CITY OR TOWNSHIP Beaumont

2. FULL NAME OF DECEASED George Bennight  
GIVE STREET AND NUMBER OR NAME OF INSTITUTION

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE 1 YEARS 0 MONTHS 0 DAYS (SOCIAL SECURITY NO. \_\_\_\_\_)  
WHERE DEATH OCCURRED

RESIDENCE OF (STREET AND NO. OF THE DECEASED) AND NO. \_\_\_\_\_ CITY Beaumont COUNTY Jefferson STATE Texas

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX Male 4. COLOR OR RACE White

5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WID., DIVORCED OR SEPARATED Widowed

6. DATE OF BIRTH July 12, 1885

7. AGE 48 YEARS 0 MONTHS 0 DAYS IF LESS THAN 1 DAY \_\_\_\_\_ HOURS \_\_\_\_\_ MIN.

8A. TRADE, PROFESSION OR KIND OF WORK DONE Carpenter  
8B. INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS IN WHICH ENGAGED Retired

9. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) Texas

10. NAME (Last, first, middle) George Bennight

11. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) Texas

12. MAIDEN NAME No record

13. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) No record

14. SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

15. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Highville East Cemetery, Texas  
DATE Aug 10, 1943

16. SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS Beaumont, Texas

17. DATE OF DEATH Aug 7, 1943

18. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM Aug 31, 1943 TO Aug 6, 1943  
I LAST SAW HIM/LIVE ON Aug 6, 1943  
THE DEATH OCCURRED ON THE DATE STATED ABOVE AT 11:23 H.

THE PRIMARY CAUSE OF DEATH WAS: Bright's Disease

CONTRIBUTORY CAUSES WERE: Infection of Kidneys DURATION 1 yr

IF NOT DUE TO DISEASE, SPECIFY WHETHER ACCIDENT, SUICIDE, OR HOMICIDE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF OCCURRENCE \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE OF OCCURRENCE \_\_\_\_\_

MANNER OR MEANS (IF RELATED TO OCCUPATION OF DECEASED, SPECIFY) 7W  
SIGNATURE H.P. Houlton ADDRESS Beaumont, Texas

20. FILE NUMBER 557 FILE DATE Aug 10, 1943 SIGNATURE OF LOCAL REGISTRAR L.O. Bernadapen POSTOFFICE ADDRESS Beaumont, Texas

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TX death record (faded copy) of father Joseph Benton Bennight Sr. -  
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Mother:



Father George Ancil Bennight & mother Martha Francis Watson Bennight, ca. 1940 – Find A Grave 75552670



Siblings:

## Ancell Benight

in the Texas, U.S., Death Index, 1903-2000

Name	Ancell Benight
Death Date	5 Dec 1917
Death County	Sabine
Certificate	36237

Brother George Ancel (Ancie) Bennight (1897-1917) -

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NOTE WELL - INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REVERSE SIDE.

NOTE WELL  
Write Plainly with unfading ink—This is a Permanent Record

Where Stillborn is given as cause of Death, file birth Certificate. Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

PLACE OF DEATH		Texas State Board of Health BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		B.O.V.S. FORM D	
County	Sabine	Reg. Dis. No.		Registered No.	36237
City	Brownsville	(No.)		St.	36237
FULL NAME		Ancell Benight			
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS					
1 SEX	2 Color or Race	3 Single Married Widowed or Divorced (Write the word)	16 DATE OF DEATH		
Male	White	Single	Dec 5 1917		
4 DATE OF BIRTH			17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from		
Jan 1 1907			12/5 1917, to 12/5 1917		
5 Age			that I last saw him alive on		
20 yrs 11 mos 6 ds			1917		
If less than 2 years, state if breast fed			and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at		
Yes No			The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:		
8 OCCUPATION			I have a lesion over the heart.		
(a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work			(Duration yrs mos ds)		
mill laborer					
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)					
working at mill					
9 BIRTHPLACE (State or Country)			Contributory (Secondary)		
Texas			(Duration yrs mos ds)		
10 NAME OF FATHER			(Signed) J. H. Morgan M. D.		
Rev. Benight			12/6 1917 (Address) Brownsville		
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country)			*Use International List of Causes of Death—State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, State (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal.		
Texas			18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Recent Residence)		
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER			At place of death yrs mos ds In the State yrs mos ds		
Miss Watson			Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death?		
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country)			Former or usual residence		
Texas			19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL		
14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE			DATE OF BURIAL		
(Informant) Walter Benight			12/6 1917		
(Address) Brownsville			20 UNDERTAKER		
15 DIED 12/12 1917			ADDRESS		

TX death record of "Ancell Bennight" -

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STATE OF TEXAS 106-21-2 101-20 E CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 1977 STATE FILE NO. 34980

1. PLACE OF DEATH  
a. COUNTY **HARRIS**  
b. CITY OR TOWNSHIP (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) **HOUSTON**  
c. LENGTH OF STAY (in 1 hr.) **66 YEARS**  
d. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION **METHODIST HOSPITAL**  
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived, if institution, residence before admission)  
a. STATE **TEXAS** b. COUNTY **HARRIS**  
c. CITY OR TOWNSHIP (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) **RURAL**  
d. STREET ADDRESS (if rural, give location) **403 RICHEY RD. (HOUSTON)**  
e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☐ NO ☒ f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒

3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print)  
(a) First **JEROME** (b) Middle **WILLIAM** (c) Last **BENNIGHT**  
4. DATE OF DEATH **MAY 11, 1977**

5. SEX **MALE** a. COLOR OR RACE **WHITE** b. MARRIAGE STATUS: Married ☒ Never Married ☐ Widowed ☐ Divorced ☐  
6. DATE OF BIRTH **JANUARY 10, 1900** 7. AGE (in years, last birthday) **77** 8. UNDER 1 YEAR: Months **77** Days **77** Hours **77** Minutes **77**  
9. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done, during most of working life, even if retired) **CONTRACTOR** 10. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY **FLOOR FINISHING**  
11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) **TEXAS** 12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? **USA**

13. FATHER'S NAME **GEORGE ARNOLD BENNIGHT** 14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME **MARTHA FRANCIS WATSON**  
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) **NO** 16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. **462-32-5122-A** 17. SIGNATURE *James Bennight*

18. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).)  
PART 1. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:  
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) **Respiratory Failure**  
CONDITIONS, IF ANY, WHICH GAVE RISE TO IMMEDIATE CAUSE (b) **Panlobular Emphysema**  
PART 2. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH (c) **1 mo.**

19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES ☐ NO ☒

20. TIME OF INJURY: Hour **5-11-77** Minute **8:30** a.m. ☐ p.m. ☒  
21. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.) **1200 Moursund, Houston, Texas**  
22. CITY, TOWN OR LOCATION **HOUSTON** COUNTY **TEXAS** STATE **TEXAS**

23. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from **2-10-69** to **5-11-77** and last saw the deceased alive on **5-11-77** at **8:30 p.m.** on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.  
24. SIGNATURE *James Bennight* (Degree or title) **M.D.** 25. ADDRESS **1200 Moursund, Houston, Texas** 26. DATE SIGNED **5/25/77**

27. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL, etc. **BURIAL** 28. DATE **MAY 14, 1977** 29. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY **RESTHAVEN MEMORIAL PARK**  
30. LOCATION (City, town, or county) **HOUSTON** (State) **TEXAS** 31. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE *Charles Symon*  
32. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE *James Bennight*

33. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. **5397** 34. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR **MAY 31, 1977**

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RESOURCES  
REC'D JUN 18 1977  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

Brother Jerome William Bennight (1900-1977) –

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**Sister Martha Francis Bennight Cole ( 1904-1992) -** <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/10395058/person/102369011687/media/c177d4b4-e376-4a0a-bf6e-f5cfb46995d2>

## MARINER'S WIFE TAKEN BY DEATH

Mrs. Bertha Lee Bennight Hunt, 29, wife of John P. Hunt of Port Arthur, died Friday night in a Beaumont hospital and will be buried in Bean cemetery near Kirbyville Sunday. Ill for a long time, she went to the hospital from Port Arthur several months ago.

She was a native of Kirbyville. Her husband, a merchant mariner, has been in foreign waters for some time.

She is survived by the husband; a son, Arthur Hunt of Port Arthur; four sisters, Mrs. Emaline Sedtal of Port Arthur, and Mrs. Earl Herring, Mrs. Taylor Foote and Mrs. Laney Cole of Kirbyville; two brothers, Benton Bennight of Beaumont and Willie Bennight of Houston; and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bennight of Kirbyville.

Sister Bertha Lee Bennight Hunt (1911-1942) – Find A Grave 68562899



Bertha Lee Bennight Hunt – Find A Grave 68562899

NOTE THE INFORMATION CALLED FOR ON THE REVERSE SIDE

1. PLACE OF DEATH		TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		27258
STATE OF TEXAS		COUNTY OF <u>Jefferson</u>		
PRECINCT NO. <u>1</u>		Jefferson County Tuberculosis Hospital		
2. FULL NAME OF DECEASED <u>Ms. Bertha Lee Hunt</u>		GIVE STREET AND NUMBER OR NAME OF INSTITUTION		
LENGTH OF RESIDENCE WHERE DEATH OCCURRED <u>22</u> YEARS <u>2</u> MONTHS <u>2</u> DAYS (SOCIAL SECURITY NO. _____)		RESIDENCE OF DECEASED <u>820 Tinsling Ave. Port Arthur.</u> COUNTY <u>Jefferson</u> STATE <u>Texas</u>		
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS				
3. SEX <u>Female</u>	4. COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	17. DATE OF DEATH <u>June 19,</u> 194 <u>2</u>		
5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WID., DIVORCED <u>Married</u>		18. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM <u>May 29,</u> 194 <u>2</u> TO <u>June 19,</u> 194 <u>2</u>		
6. DATE OF BIRTH <u>Feb. 16, 1911</u>		I LAST SAW HIM ALIVE ON <u>June 19,</u> 194 <u>2</u>		
7. AGE <u>31</u> YEARS <u>4</u> MONTHS <u>3</u> DAYS IF LESS THAN 1 DAY <u>3</u> HOURS <u>1</u> MIN		THE DEATH OCCURRED ON THE DATE STATED ABOVE AT <u>8:00 p. m.</u>		
8A. TRADE, PROFESSION OR KIND OF WORK DONE <u>Waitress</u>		THE PRIMARY CAUSE OF DEATH WAS: <u>Tuberculosis of the lungs diagnosed May 1942</u>		
8B. INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS IN WHICH ENGAGED		CONTRIBUTORY CAUSES WERE		
9. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>Texas</u>		IF NOT DUE TO DISEASE, SPECIFY WHETHER ACCIDENT, SUICIDE, OR HOMICIDE.		
10. NAME OF DECEASED <u>George Bennight</u>		DATE OF OCCURRENCE		
11. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>Texas</u>		PLACE OF OCCURRENCE		
12. MAIDEN NAME <u>Martha Frances Watson</u>		MANNER OR MEANS IF RELATED TO OCCUPATION OF DECEASED, SPECIFY		
13. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>Alabama</u>		SIGNATURE <u>M. A. Cunningham</u> M.D. CDR. TEXAS		
14. SIGNATURE <u>Hospital Records</u>		ADDRESS <u>Beaumont</u> TEXAS		
15. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>Bean Cemetery, Kirbyville, Texas</u>		20. FILE NUMBER <u>52</u> FILE DATE <u>June 22, 1942</u> SIGNATURE OF LOCAL REGISTRAR <u>L. B. Boren</u> POSTOFFICE ADDRESS <u>Beaumont, Texas</u>		
16. SIGNATURE <u>Robert's Undertaking Company</u>				

TX death record of Bertha Lee Bennight Hunt -

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STATE OF TEXAS 123-02-22 123-02, CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 4834, 45 30672

1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY Jefferson		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: residence before admission) a. STATE Texas b. COUNTY Jefferson	
b. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) Port Arthur		c. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) Port Arthur	
d. NAME OF (If not in hospital, give street address) HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION St. Mary's Hospital		d. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) 4201 Ninth Avenue	
a. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		a. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
b. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) a. First ETHEL E. b. Middle c. Last DESLATTE		4. DATE OF DEATH April 26, 1973	
5. SEX Female		6. DATE OF BIRTH April 26, 1916	
7. MARRIAGE STATUS a. COLOR OR RACE White b. Married <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Never Married <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/>		8. AGE (In years last birthday) 57	
9. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of preceding five years (if retired)) Housewife		10. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY none	
11. FATHER'S NAME George Bennight		12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? San Augustine Co., Tex. United States	
13. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES (Yes, no, or unknown) (If yes, give war or dates of service) No None		14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Mattie Watson	
15. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 454 10 3223		16. SIGNATURE Robert J. Deslatte	
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) RECD MAY 11 1973 DUE TO (b) BRONCHOPNEUMONIA; PULMONARY FAILURE PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART (a) 17. ACCIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> SUICIDE <input type="checkbox"/> HOMICIDE <input type="checkbox"/> 18. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of Item 18.) 19. TIME OF INJURY 20. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.) 21. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION 22. COUNTY 23. STATE 24. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from April 13, 1973, to April 26, 1973, and last saw the deceased alive April 26, 1973. Death occurred at 6:15 A.M. on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated. 25. SIGNATURE John B. Matlock, M.D. 26. ADDRESS Port Arthur, Texas 27. DATE SIGNED April 26, 1973 28. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Burial 29. DATE April 27, 1973 30. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Greenlawn Memorial Park 31. FORMAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE (Notary Public) Eugene E. Stanley 3934 32. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. 213 33. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR 4-27-1973 34. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE J. W. Seymour			

Sister Ethel Edna Bennight Taylorfoote? DeSlatte (1916-1973) -

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### Texas, Select County Marriage Records, 1837-2015

View record

Name Ethel Bennight  
 Gender Female  
 License Date 18 Oct 1943  
 License Place Jefferson, Texas, USA  
 Marriage Date 18 Oct 1943  
 Marriage Place Jefferson, Texas, USA  
 Spouse J W Seymour  
 Document Number 36903



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Sister Emmieline Bennight Evans Sedtal (1920-2001) – Find A Grave 18576129

#### Evans, Emmieline

Emmieline Evans, 80, of Robstown [died](#) Jan. 21, 2001, at Retama Manor Nursing Home. A graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Bean [Cemetery](#) in Kirbyville under the direction of E.E. Stringer Funeral Home in Kirbyville. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. A native of Call, she was a longtime resident of Port Arthur and Robstown and was a retired nurse. Survivors include grandchildren, Misty Lopez of Kirbyville, Chris Sedtal of College Station and Kimberly Armstrong of Port Arthur

<https://www.genealogybuff.com/tx/tx-jasper-obits8.htm>

## Emmieline Bennight

in the Texas, U.S., Select County Marriage Records, 1837-1965

Name	Emmieline Bennight
Gender	Female
License Date	28 Feb 1968
License Place	Jefferson, Texas, USA
Marriage Date	28 Feb 1968
Marriage Place	Jefferson, Texas, USA
Recording Date	28 Jan 2002
Recording Place	Jefferson, Texas, USA
Spouse	<a href="#">Thad Felix Evans</a>
Document Number	94509

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/926884405:9168>

## Emmieline B Evans

in the Texas, U.S., Divorce Index, 1968-2015

Name	Emmieline B Evans
Gender	Female
Divorce Age	44
Birth Date	1925
Marriage Date	28 Feb 1968
Divorce Date	20 Nov 1969
Divorce Place	Jefferson, Texas, USA
Spouse	<a href="#">Thad F Evans</a>
Number of Children	0
Case Number	040108

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/494203628:8794>



sister **Bernice Bennight Luther (1921-2004)** – Beaumont (TX) High School yearbook 1938 -  
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/358611162:1265>

**Abbreviations:**

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

**Name variations: Joseph Benton Bennight (Sr.)**

Military: Benton Bennight

On Tuscania: 20th Eng. HQ - private

Serial number: 250,231

Entered service from: Steep Creek, San Augustine TX

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Joseph B. Bennight

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father G.A. Bennight, Steep Creek TX

Returned from war on: "Santa Paula" May 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Joseph B. Bennight

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Mattie Bennight, Steep Creek TX (cook, HQ Det., 6th Bn, 20th Engrs, Forestry)

World War I draft registration (1917): b. 8 Aug 1895 Yawonaba TX; res: Steep Creek, San Augustine TX. Wife – married. Occupation: saw milling, Kirby Lumber Co. at Steep Creek TX. Claims exemption from draft due to wife.

World War II draft registration (1942): b. 9 Aug 1895 Bastrop TX; res: 2755 French Rd., Beaumont, Jefferson TX. NOK Mrs. Joseph Bennight of same address. Self-employed floor sanding contractor.

**Veterans Administration Military Index:**

Enlisted 19 Sep 1917

Discharged 11 Jun 1919

Address: Bessmay TX

Rank/unit: cook, HQ Det Dem Gp

**Birth & death:**

Born: 8 Aug 1895 Bastrop Co. TX (9 Aug 1895 on WWII draft card) (place of birth also found as Yawonaba - spelling? - TX)

Died: 20 Sep 1971 Pleasant, Jefferson TX

Find A Grave record: 107121409 - presence on Tuscania noted in flower

Burial location: Beaumont, Jefferson TX

Cemetery: Forest Lawn Memorial Park

Tombstone:

Father: George Ancel (Ancil) ("Joe") Bennight, 12 Jul 1869 Freestone TX – 7 Aug 1943 Beaumont, Jefferson TX. (alternate death date: 13 Aug 1943).

Son of Joseph Buchannon Bennight (1833-1904) & Sarah A. Ward Burns (1850-1882).

Cowboy & cook on trail drives; met Martha on a trail drive when he assisted in the burial of her younger brother. He was age 15, she was 17 when they met. George lost his sight in a sawmill. Died of Bright's disease.

Buried in Bean Cemetery, Kirbyville, Jasper TX.

Find A Grave: 75552544

Family tree at: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/10395058/person/102368969908/facts>

Mother: Martha Francis ("Mattie") Watson Bennight, also found spelled Frances. 22 Mar 1877 Pine Apple, Wilcox AL – 28 Jul 1942 Kirbyville, Jasper TX. First name also found spelled "Frances."

Daughter of George Washington Watson (1849-1929) & Rosetta E. (Rosa/Rose) Casey.

Buried in Bean Cemetery, Kirbyville, Jasper TX.

Find A Grave: 75552670

Parents' marriage: 11 Jul 1894.

Spouse: Lottie Alma Keller Bennight, 1903 Bronson, Sabine Co. TX – 2 Nov 1965 Beaumont, Jefferson TX. Daughter of Isaac Keller & Delia McBride.

TX death records: dead on arrival at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Beaumont. Resident of 2655 Delaware, Beaumont.

Buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park & Funeral Home, Beaumont, Jefferson TX.

Spouse Find A Grave: 107121408

Marriage: ca. 1920

Children:

- Bernice Bennight Luther, 10 Jul 1921 Jasper, Jasper TX – 24 Nov 2004 Beaumont, Jefferson TX. Wife of William Doyle Luther (1918-1987) whom she married 13 Jan 1940 in Jefferson Co. TX. Buried in same cemetery as her parents & brother – Forest Lawn Memorial Park & Funeral Home, Beaumont, Jefferson TX. F: 107085382
- Lottie Verline Bennight Adcock, 19 Dec 1923 Bessmay, Jasper TX – 8 May 2012 Silsbee, Hardin TX. Wife of Foy Nelson Adcock, Sr. (1928-2004, F: 11203513) whom Lottie married 4 Jun 1953 in Jefferson Co. TX. Buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park & Funeral Home, Beaumont, Jefferson TX. F: 89878888

- Joseph Benton Bennight, Jr., 16 Aug 1925 (tombstone) or 1926 (TX death certificate) Beaumont, Jefferson TX – 15 Apr 1954 Beaumont, Jefferson TX. Salesman & truck driver for Taystee Bread. Died at age 27 about 10 hours after his truck hit a bridge, overturned & started on fire. He died from shock with first-, second- and third-degree burns over 90% of his body. Husband of Ethel Ruth Baxter, buried as Ruth Bennight (1927-1992, F: 107121406), although Ruth Bennight married 25 Dec 1957 in Jefferson Co. TX to James David Bostick. - Buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park & Funeral Home, Beaumont, Jefferson TX with parents & sister. F: 107121407
- Girl Bennight, born & died 2 Jul 1926 in Beaumont, Jefferson TX. Joseph & Lottie were residents of 1402 Avenue "F" in Beaumont at the time of her premature birth. A six-month fetus. Her TX death certificate lists her as "no name" female baby Bennight. Buried in Magnolia Cemetery, Beaumont, Jefferson TX on 3 Jul 1926. No Find A Grave record.
- Eva Joyce Bennight Stivner, 13 Feb 1930 Houston, Harris TX – 1 Apr 2020 Hemphill, Sabine TX. At the time of her birth, Joseph Bennight & Lottie (Keller) Bennight were residing at 1535 Oxford St., Houston, Joseph age 34, Lottie age 27. She was Lottie's 5<sup>th</sup> child, with 4 now living. As "Joyce Stivner," married Daniel R. Stivner on 15 Mar 1995 in San Augustine Co. TX, he age 53, she age 65. Cremated. F: 208671294

Siblings: (pieced together from various online family genealogies; errors may exist -

<https://www.geni.com/people/George-Bennight/5657985857970057102> and

<https://www.genealogy.com/ftm/w/a/t/James-C-Watson-Spicewood/GENE4-0001.html>).

Joseph was the oldest child.

- George Ancel/Ancie/Ancle ("Ancie") Bennight, Jr., 1 Jan 1897 TX – 5 Dec 1917 Sabine, Gregg TX. Body was removed to Branson (Bronson?) TX. He was a mill laborer, working in a mill. The cause of death reads something like "F?G?ram? a l--- ones (?) ?hot heart."
- Clarence Virgil/Vergil Bennight, 28 Sep 1898 TX – 18 Mar 1899 or 13 Sep 1917.
- William Jerome ("Bill") Bennight, 10 Jan 1900 Garison [sic] TX – 11 May 1977 Houston, Harris TX. Also found as Jerome William Bennight. Died of respiratory failure. Was a floor finishing contractor. Married 3 Oct 1919 in Steep Creek, San Augustine TX to Allie Faye Coats (1904-1996). Buried in Earthman Resthaven Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX. F: 75638410
- Mellie Mae/May Bennight, 2 Jul 1902 TX -
- Martha Francis ("Fannie") Bennight Cole, 17 Dec 1904 LA – 18 Aug 1992. Wife of Laney Cole (1893-1970, F: 93093608) whom she married in 1922. Listed as mother of Juanita Bennight & Sandra Carrol Cole on her Find A Grave record. Buried in Bean Cemetery, Kirbyville, Jasper TX. F: 93093632.
- Mary Alma or Almir or Almer Bennight, 1908 LA - Listed with family in 1910 census.
- Bertha Lee Bennight Hunt, 16 Feb 1911 Kirbyville, Jasper TX – 19 Jun 1942 Beaumont, Jefferson TX. She was unmarried in the 1930 census. - Married to Vernon Bean, with whom she had a son, Robert Lee Bean. - Married John F. Hunt on 24 Feb 1941 in Jefferson Co. TX. - From Her Find A Grave record: Wife of John F. Hunt, ill a



long time. Her husband, a merchant marine, had been in foreign waters some time at the time of her death. She was survived by 4 sisters: Mrs. Emaline Sedtal (Port Arthur TX), Mrs. Earl Herring, Mrs. Taylor Foote & Mrs. Laney Cole (all Kirbyville) & 2 brothers: Benton Benight [sic] (Beaumont TX) & Willie Benight (Houston) & her parents, Mr. & Mrs. George Benight of Kirbyville. Buried in Bean Cemetery with her parents. F: 68562899.

- Velma Melvira Bennight Herrin, 13 Jun 1913 White Rock, Hunt TX – 9 Dec 1986 Kirbyville, Jefferson TX. Wife of Earl Anderson Herrin, Sr. (1907-1984, F: 17926855) whom she married 3 Jul 1920. Buried in Bean Cemetery, Kirbyville, Jasper TX. F: 17926863
- Ethel Edna Bennight [Taylorfoot/Taylor Foote?] Seymour DeSlatte (also found spelled Desalotte), 26 Apr 1916 Steep Creek, San Augustine Co. TX [Find A Grave: 24 Jun 1913 Louisiana) – 26 Apr 1973 Port Arthur, Jefferson TX. Listed as Mrs. Taylor Foote in father's obituary. [Could not locate obituary in Jan 2024.] – Ethel Bennight married on 18 Oct 1943 in Jefferson Co. TX to J.W. Seymour. - Wife of Robert A. DeSlatte (1912-1978, F: 64967228), whom she married 24 Apr 1948 in Orange Co. TX with the name of Ethel Edna Seymour. TX deaths: resident 4201 Ninth Ave., Port Arthur TX, 30 years a Port Arthur resident, d. at St. Mary's Hospital, Port Arthur, age 57, married, informant Robert J. Deslatte. Buried in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Groves, Jefferson TX. F: 64967345
- Emmieline (Emaline/Emaline) Bennight Sedtal Evans, 24 Oct 1920 Call, Newton TX – 21 Jan 2001 Robstown, Nueces TX. Wife of Clarence Sedtal (1917-1988, F: 79880938). They had son Charles Edward Sedtal, b. 29 Apr 1946 Jefferson Co. TX. – Married Thaddeus Felix Evans Sr. (1908-1982, F: 5562085) on 28 Feb 1968. This marriage was not recorded until 28 Jan 2002. They divorced 20 Nov 1969 in Jefferson Co. TX. She was a nurse Died with surname Evans. Cremated. F: 18576129

Occupation of paperhanger when daughter Eva Joyce born in Houston TX on 13 Feb 1930.

Notes:

Family tree at: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/10395058/person/102369011694/facts>

Prewar:

Wartime:

Post-war:

Obituary:

TX Deaths: resident of 2655 Delaware, Beaumont, Jefferson TX. Died at Baptist Hospital, Beaumont, Jefferson TX. Widowed, age 76. Contractor, floor sanding. Father: George Ancel

Bennight, mother's surname Watson. WWI Army veteran. SSN 454-32-3878A. Informant: daughter Mrs. Douglas Luther.

Social Security Number: 454-43-3878A

#### Censuses:

1900 Justice Precinct 8, Bastrop TX - conducted 9 Jun 1900

George Bennight, 31 MO, Jul 1869, father b. GA, mother b. AR, married 6 years, farmer  
Mattie, 22 AL, Mar 1878, father b. FL, mother b. AL, gave birth to 4 children, 3 are living

Benton, 5 TX, Aug 1895

Ancie, 3 TX, Jan 1897 [male]

William, 4 months TX, Jan 1900

1910

1920 Justice Precinct 4, San Augustine TX

George Bennight, 50 TX, parents b. AR, carpenter, house

Mattie, 43 AL, parents b. AL

Fanie, 15 LA [i.e. Martha Francis]

Almer, 12 LA [i.e. Mary Almer/Almir]

Bertha L., 8 TX

Velmer, 6 TX [Velma]

Ethel, 3 TX

& 7 boarders

1930 Houston, Harris TX – 1535 Oxford St. – conducted 5 Apr 1930

Joseph B. Bennight, 34 TX, parents b. TX, age 26 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, floor scraper, WWI veteran

Lottie A., 27 TX, parents b. TX, age 17 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage

Bernice, 8 TX

Verline, 6 TX

Joseph B., Jr., 4 years 7 months TX

Eva Joyce, 1 month TX

1930 Newton Co. TX

George Bennight, 60 TX, father b. MO, mother b. AR, age 25 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage

Mattie, 51 AL, father b. AL, mother b. KS, age 17 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage

Bertha Lee, 19 TX

Ethel, 13 TX

Emaline, 9 TX

Grandchild Estelle Passat, 5 TX, both parents b. LA (whose daughter?)

1940 Beaumont, Jefferson TX – 2208 Avenue “C” – same place in 1935

Joseph B. Bennight [sic], 44 TX, contractor, floor sanding

Lottie, 37 TX  
Verline, 16 TX  
Joseph, 14 TX  
Eva Joyce, 10 TX

1940 Justice Precinct 3, Jasper Co. TX – also in Jasper Co. TX in 1935

George A. Bennight, 70 TX

Mattie, 63 AL

With grandchildren:

Estell Passcoat, 15 TX

Arthur Vernon Bean, 10 TX [WWII draft: b. 18 Aug 1928 Call Newton TX, NOK aunt Velma Herrin]

1950 Beaumont, Jefferson TX

Joseph B. Bennight, 54 TX, checker & shipping clerk, Bakery

Lottie A., 47 TX

Lottie V., 26 TX, never married, stenographer, public employment service