

TUSCANIA

Baker, Lewis Delbert
1887 KS – 1974 OK



Lewis Delbert Baker – “Daily Oklahoman” (Oklahoma City OK) Sunday 17 Feb 1918 p 17 -
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WW I		WW II		KOREA		HONOR		ORIGINAL	
1. NAME OF DECEASED - LAST - FIRST - MIDDLE (Print or Type)						14. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (City and State)			
BAKER, Lewis Delbert						El Reno Cemetery, El Reno, OKla.			
2. SERVICE NO. / SSAN		3. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NUMBER		IMPORTANT - Item 18 on reverse side must be completed. See attached instructions and complete and submit both copies.					
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4. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, day, year)		5. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, day, year)		15. This application is submitted for a stone or marker for the unmarked grave of a deceased member or former member of the Armed Forces of the U. S., soldier of the Union or Confederate Armies of the Civil War or for an unmarked memorial plot for a non-recoverable deceased member. I hereby agree to accept responsibility for proper placement at the grave or memorial plot at no expense to the Government.					
Sept. 19, 1917		Aug. 18, 1919							
6. STATE		7. DECORATIONS		NAME OF APPLICANT (Print or Type)				RELATIONSHIP	
Oklahoma				Eryin Baker				brother	
8. GRADE OR RANK		9. BRANCH OF SERVICE, COMPANY, REGIMENT, DIVISION		ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Street address, City, State and ZIP Code)					
Wagoner		Wagon Supply Co., 9th Infantry Regt.		121 S. Hoff, El Reno, Okla. 73036					
10. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year)		11. DATE OF DEATH (Month, day, year)		SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT				DATE	
December 27, 1887		September 22, 1974		Eryin Baker				Sept. 30, 1974	
12. RELIGIOUS EMBLEM (Check one)		13. CHECK TYPE REQUIRED		16. FREIGHT STATION					
		UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE		El Reno, Okla. 73036					
LATIN CROSS (Christian)		FLAT MARBLE MARKER		17. NAME OF CONSIGNEE WHO WILL TRANSPORT STONE OR MARKER					
STAR OF DAVID (Jewish)		XX FLAT GRANITE MARKER		Wilson Funeral Home					
XX NO EMBLEM		FLAT BRONZE MARKER							

DO NOT WRITE HERE		ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE (Street address, City, State and ZIP Code)
FOR VERIFICATION	ORDERED 26 NOV 1974	100 N. Barker, El Reno, Okla. 73036
S/L HIL-4134	CONTRACTOR Hillsboro Mon. Works	I HAVE AGREED TO TAKE THE STONE OR MARKER TO THE CEMETERY.
WAGR US ARMY		SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE <i>[Signature]</i>

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BAKER LEWIS DELBERT		C
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515 S Foster St El Reno Okla		A 1 481 762
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Life:

VIRGIL J. ROBERTS RESCUED.
Virgil J. Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Roberts of El Reno, who was on board the Tuscania which was torpedoed by the German submarine last week, has been rescued according to a message from the War department late Tuesday afternoon. George Baker, of Okarche neighborhood, was accounted for early in the week.

Identified as George Baker - "El Reno (OK) American" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 1

LEWIS BAKER NOW UPON THE RHINE

Lewis Baker, one of the first of the Okarche boys to answer the call for soldiers, is now in Germany near Coblenz, and stationed on the banks of the Rhine, and seems to be having a good time in the final wind up of the war. He writes to his brother Archie as follows:

Bendorf, Germany, Jan. 8, 1919.
Mr. Archie Baker, Calumet, Okla.

Hello, Kid. I will try and answer your letter I have been putting off so long. Well, how is the old boy and mamma getting along now? I guess I can stand to be called uncle after going through this stuff over here. I received your letter a few days ago. Sure was glad to hear from you again. Have just finished a 28-day hike from France to Dutchland. Sure was some hike. I drove four horses to an amunition wagon. Having fine weather here now. Had about

an inch of snow here Xmas morning, about all that looked like Xmas. Don't know how long will stay here; don't think it will be long. This is a good sized town, several factories here of different kinds. People sure do treat us fine here, a whole lot better than I expected. Having a pretty easy time now, all I do now is tend to my four horses. There is a big town about 8 kilometers from here, Bendorf. The Rhine river runs right through the edge of this town. Lots of beer in this town. Fred Reimers told me to drink a German beer for him when I got to Germany. Tell him I have now landed in Germany and also have had the beer. Why don't you say what you are doing once in awhile; don't need to

do like I do. Have you been home lately? How are the folks getting along? I had a letter from Macy a few days ago. Said she sent me a box, but I haven't received it yet, I guess it is lost somewhere. Well, I don't know when I will be home, but don't think it will be long. I will ring off for this time and will tell you all about it when I get there. Yours truly,
 LEWIS D. BAKER.
 Supply Co., 9th Inf., A. E. F.

"Okarche (OK) Times" Friday 7 Feb 1919 p 1

Mineral Deed
 Barbara Baker to M. T. Myers,
 NW 30-13n-9w.
 Lewis D. Baker, et al, to M. T.
 Myers, NW 30-13n-9w.

Lewis & his mother Barbara – "El Reno (OK) Daily Tribune" Friday 1 Mar 1935 p 5

JOINT CEREMONY STAGED HERE BY VETERANS POSTS

National V. F. W. Head Serves As Installing Officer

Approximately 200 persons attended the joint installation ceremonies inducting new officers of the El Reno, Okarche, Chickasha and Yukon Veterans of Foreign Wars posts and the El Reno, Chickasha and Okarche auxiliaries in the local post hall Tuesday night.

Scott P. Squyres, Oklahoma City, national senior vice commander-in-chief, served as installing officer for the post officers, while Mrs. Squyres acted in a similar capacity for the auxiliaries. Guests attended from the two Oklahoma City posts, Shawnee, Norman, Chickasha, Yukon, Okarche, Enid and Nicoma Park.

Officers Announced

Elective and appointive officers of the El Reno post are Fred H. Streeter, commander; Ernest Cooper, senior vice commander; Jacob Goodnight, junior vice commander; Harry E. Harrison, post quartermaster; Claud W. Kenaga, adjutant; Henry Albers, advocate; Clinton L. Immel, chaplain; Dr. William B. Catto, surgeon; Rudolph Baer, officer of the day; Robert Mayhue, patriotic instructor; Lawrence R. Huffman, post historian; W. J. B. Miller, sergeant major; Fred Wallis, quartermaster sergeant; Paul Maukosky, guard; Henry C. Jones, national color bearer; Lewis Baker, post color bearer.

Excerpts: "El Reno (OK) Daily Tribune" Wednesday 18 Nov 1936 p 1

V. F. W. Installation

El Reno Post 382, Veterans of Foreign Wars, held a quadruple installation of officers here Tuesday evening with Scott P. Squyres, national senior vice commander-in-chief, acting as installing officer. It was the first time he ever installed four posts at one time—Chickasha, Okarche, Yukon, and El Reno. Elected and appointed officers of Chickasha were Glen Baxter, Floyd F. Ogle, B. A. Duncan, Ernest R. Smith, William Kitley and T. H. Hoffer; of Yukon, L. E. Byerdoz, Thomas McClen-don, Charles F. Buckley, E. N. Graham, William E. King, Florent Phillips, Orville Priest, and W. McKinney; Okarche, Allen Jung, O. F. Leitner, William Kremeier, H. H. Determan, L. J. Schwartz, George Seliandt, Walter Carson, Ed Luber, Walter Carson, Oscar Kremeier, and C. H. Hansen; El Reno, Fred H. Streeter, Ernest Cooper, Jacob Goodnight, Harry E. Harrison, Claud W. Kenaga, Harry Albers, Clint Immel, Dr. W. B. Catto, Rudolph Baer, Robert Mahue, Lawrence R. Huffman, W. J. B. Miller, Fred Wallis, Paul Mankosky, Henry C. Jones and Lewis Baker. Concluding the installation Henry Meagher was escorted to the altar and a past commander badge was presented presented him by Mr. Squyres.

"El Reno (OK) American" Thursday 19 Nov 1936 p 8

Ratification of Oil and Gas Lease

Charles E. Baker to Floyd C. Corner. NW 30-13-9.

Barbara Baker to Floyd C. Corner. NW 30-13-9.

Barbara and Lewis D. Baker to Floyd C. Corner. NW 30-13-9.

Erwin Baker to Floyd C. Corner. NW 30-13-9.

"El Reno (OK) Daily Tribune" Thursday 18 Jan 1945 p 8

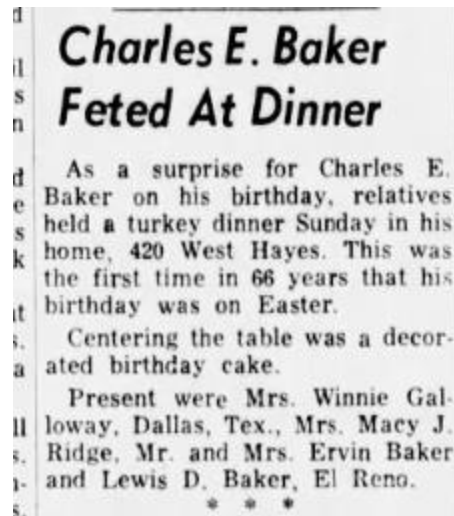
Sunday guests of Mrs. Barbara Baker, 420 West Hayes, were Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Eaton and Charlie and Lewis Baker. In the afternoon, the group attended the races at Fort Reno. Evening callers were Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Baker.

"El Reno (OK) American" Thursday 16 May 1946 p 4

daughters, Miss Jessie and Arlene left Wednesday for their home at Tulare, Calif., following a three weeks visit in the homes of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Eaton, 2443 Towns End drive, his brothers, Charles Baker and Lewis Baker, 420 West Hayes, his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Baker, 209 East Jenkins, El Reno friends and relatives and friends at Calumet and Geary. Enroute home the Henry H. Bakers will visit relatives and friends at Frederick, Tucson, Ariz., and Torrance, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Baker,

"El Reno (OK) Daily Tribune" Thursday 12 Jan 1961 p 9



"El Reno (OK) American" Thursday 18 Apr 1963 p 6

Father:

J. W. Baker Dies Suddenly

The lifeless body of J. W. Baker was found by his son, Henry, in a field near their home, six miles southwest of Calumet, about 11 o'clock Tuesday morning. Mr. Baker had gone out with four horses to a two row go devil to cultivate corn. After going several rounds and just after turning round the team was found. The body was lying at the side of the machine. He had been dead possibly an hour or more when found. There were no marks of injury from any source and the attending physician gave the cause of death as heart failure.

John Wesley Baker was born in Illinois, Nov. 25, 1856, moved to Kansas when a young man, was married Decemder 29, 1881. To this union nine children were born. Albert, Mrs. Macy Ridge of Blackwell, Lewis and Archie, of Okarche, Elmer, Henry, Miss Pearl and Irwin of Calumet. A son and daughter are dead. He came to Oklahoma with his family in 1892, where he has since resided. Died May 16, 1922, aged 65 years 6 months and 24 days.

Funeral services were held at Red Rock church Wednesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. C. A. Simmons, interment Red Rock cemetery.

Obituary of father John Wesley Baker – “Calumet (OK) Chieftain” Thursday 18 May 1922 p 1

Mother:

Mrs. Baker Will Be Buried Here Sunday

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Wilson Funeral home chapel for Barbara E. Baker, 90, 420 West Hayes, who died Wednesday at her home. Rev. J. W. Hodges, pastor of the Baptist church will officiate.

The aged city resident was born at Forest City, Mo., and had resided in El Reno for 30 years.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. S. H. Eaton, 810 South Roberts, and Mrs. Macy Ridge, Oklahoma City; four sons, Ervin, Lewis D., and Charles Baker, all of the home, and Henry H. Baker, Tulare, Calif.; a half brother, Frank Cowley, Monterey, Calif.; nine grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Burial will be in the El Reno cemetery.

Obituary of mother Barbara Elisabeth Gannon Baker – "El Reno (OK) American" Thursday 8 Jan 1953 p 3

Siblings:



Obituary of *sister Macy Jane Baker Ridge (1885-1980)* -

<https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/34846026/person/142444217534/media/3c853968-4966-41db-8eba-e7d01dbc9a41>

Hangs Self With American Flag.

John Wesley Baker, the 20-year-old son of J. W. Baker living eight miles west of Okarche and just across the line in Canadian county, was found hanging in the McCabe school house Sunday morning by Bessie McCabe, a young girl who was passing the school house and noticing one of the windows were open, got out of the buggy to investigate. She saw the body of young Baker hanging from a rafter with a large 6 x 8 American flag twisted about his neck. The young man was of good morals, had no bad habits that anyone knew of, and was not mixed up in any love affair.

All of Saturday he seemed in the best of spirits, spending some time in reading socialist literature and his bible. He left shortly after supper Saturday night and must have gone directly to the school house and deliberately carried out a definite plan of procedure. The flag used had decorated the walls of the room and the tacks which held it were still sticking in the cloth. No reason can be assigned for the act.

Suicide by hanging of brother John Wesley Baker Jr. (1889-1910) – "Kingfisher (OK) Free Press" Thursday 7 Apr 1910 p 1

JOHN BAKER JR. COMMITTS SUICIDE

THE CAUSE FOR THE YOUNG MAN'S
ACTION IS UNKNOWN

Lifeless Body Found in the McCabe
School House Sunday Afternoon

John Baker, the 23 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker, southwest of town, hung himself in the McCabe school house some time Saturday night. His body was discovered Sunday about noon and his family notified.

The sheriff's office and the county attorney were also notified and Sheriff Chambers and Sam Robinson, deputy county attorney went to the scene to attend the inquest.

The coroner's jury was composed of W. H. Johnson, George Kennedy, George Manning, G. Crouch, Bob Blair and Tom Jarville. The decision of the jury was that the young man came to his death by hanging, by his own hands.

The investigation of the scene showed that he had taken the school flag, gone up through the man-hole in the ceiling and fastened one end to one of the rafters. The other end he had made into a noose with a hard knot in the end so that it could not slip, and then adjusted it about his neck. He had evidently stood on one of the desks while making his preparations and then stepped off. When he was found one knee was hanging limply over the desk, showing that he had died without a struggle. No motive could be found for the suicide and his parents were unable to advance any theory for his action. He had complained the day before of trouble with his stomach but said it was of not enough consequence to justify going to a physician.

This is the same young man who was accidentally shot with a small caliber rifle while running after a rabbit three years ago. The funeral services were held at the Salem Presbyterian church Monday afternoon and the body interred in the Salem cemetery.

John Wesley Baker was born at Robinson, Kansas, in 1889. He came to Oklahoma with his parents when he was three years old and lived here until his death. He leaves father and mother, two sisters and six brothers to mourn his loss, all of whom were present at the funeral.

"Okarche (OK) Times" Friday 8 Apr 1910 p 1

Services for Baker To Be Held Today

Archie Edgar Baker, 420 W. Hayes, died Tuesday of a liver infection at Norman state hospital. He was 59 years old.

Baker, a carpenter, was born on October 8, 1891 at Robinson, Kan., and came to El Reno three years ago from Calumet.

Services will be at 10 a. m. today at the Wilson chapel, with burial in El Reno cemetery.

Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Barbara Baker, of the home address; a son, Francis Earl, Dallas; four brothers, Lewis D., Ervin, and Charles E., all of the home address, Henry H., Tulare, Calif.; and two sisters, Mrs. Henry Eaton, 810 S. Roberts; and Mrs. Macy J. Ridge, El Reno.

Obituary of *brother Archie Edgar Baker (1895-1950)* – “El Reno (OK) American” Thursday 25 May 1950 p 3

Draper--Baker

Miss Maud Draper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Draper of Geary, and Mr. Archie E. Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker of Okarche, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Tuesday, May 1, 1917, at 4 o'clock, Rev. Sampson, of Geary, officiating.

After congratulations, all repaired to the dining room where refreshments were served.

Mr. Lewis D. Baker, brother of the groom, was best man, and Mrs. J. M. Ridge, of Blackell, sister of the groom was matron of honor. The bride was very charming in a dress of white embroidered voile, trimmed in lace. The groom wore a suit of dark blue serge. The home was decorated very pretty. Sweet peas and carnations were the flowers used in the decorating. They received many useful and beautiful presents. They left on the evening train on a short honeymoon, mid a shower of rice and old shoes. The suitcase of the groom was decorated with a large card whereon was written "Just Married."

Marriage of Archie Edgar Baker, with Lewis as best man – "Okarche (OK) Times" Friday 4 Mayh 1917 p 5

Oklahoman, Wednesday, August 10, 1966; Page: 11

C. E. Baker Funeral Set In El Reno

EL RENO — Charles E. Baker, 69, of El Reno, died Monday at an Oklahoma City hospital. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Wilson Funeral Home with burial in El Reno Cemetery.

Baker was born near Okarche and had lived in El Reno since 1923. He was a retired employee of Rock Island Railroad. He was a veteran of World Wars I and II and a member of the American Legion. He was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Car Men of America.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Henry Eaton, El Reno, and Mrs. Macy J. Ridge, Santa Barbara, Calif.; and three brothers, Henry H., Tulare, Calif.; and Lewis and Ervin, both of El Reno.

Obituary of *brother Charles Elmer baker (1897-1966)* – Find A Grave 33280499



Marriage on 6 Oct 1925 in Canadian Co. OK of **brother Henry Herbert Baker (1899-1988)** &
Thelma Margaret Day - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/26996595/person/270078023458/media/e423e7bf-1704-4e1a-a914-154c9946dfd9>



Uncle and Nephew Meet for First Time in 48 Years

Henry Baker, route 2, box 179, recently met an uncle whom he had not seen in 49 years.

The uncle is George F. Cowley, 73, who has made his home at Monterey for a number of years. Cowley wrote to Baker's sister, Mrs. Pearl Eaton, El Reno, Okla., to find he had a nephew living so near him.

Mr. and Mrs. Cowley and their son, Evan, visited at the Baker home during the first part of May and Cowley became acquainted not only with his nephew and his wife but also six of the Baker's daughters and one son and their children.

Altogether Cowley found a nephew and his wife, six great

neices, one great nephew, five great, great neices and four great, great nephews.

During the excitement of the surprise visit Cowley told his nephew, "I feel fine in the excitement of meeting so many relatives I didn't know lived in California. We will have to get together more often."

"Tulare (CA) Advance-Register" Friday 14 May 1954 p 6

Henry Baker

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Hamilton Peers-Lorentzen Funeral Chapel for Henry Herbert Baker, 89, Tulare, who died Thursday at a Tulare hospital.

Mr. Baker was born in Okarche, Okla., and had lived in Tulare since 1935. He was a self-employed farmer and also worked for J.D. Haskell for 35 years. He was a past member of the Missionary Baptist Church and the Temple Baptist Church in Tulare.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Thelma M. Baker, who died in 1980.

He is survived by one son, Glen Baker, Porterville; six daughters, Julie Breckenridge, Ferne Overstreet and Arlene Craig, all of Tulare, Helen Caudle, Visalia, Frances Tenhet, Corcoran, and Jessie Starcher, Torrance; one brother, Ervin Baker, El Reno, Okla.; 29 grandchildren; 49 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Burial will be in Tulare Cemetery.

"Tulare (CA) Advance-Register" Friday 8 Jul 1988 p 4

Marriage Licenses

E. R. Barnhart, 62, and Crystal B. Birlew, 49, both of El Reno.

Ervin Baker, 45, El Reno, and Elsy Beryl Galloway, 39, Dallas, Texas.

Brother Ervin Baker (1907-1994) – marriage license with Elsy Beryl Galloway – "Yukon (OK) Oklahoma Sun" Thursday 30 Apr 1953 p 2

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Lewis Delbert Baker

Name variations:

Military:

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

Serial number: 251,361

Entered service from: Okarche, Comanche OK

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Lewis D. Baker

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father J.W. Baker, Okarche OK

Returned from war on: "Princess Matoika" Jul 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Lewis D. Baker

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father John W. Baker, Okarche OK (waggoner, Supply Co., 9th Inf.)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Lewis Delbert Baker - b. 27 Dec 1888 Robinson KS; res: Okarche, Canadian OK. Single. Farming by my father, Canadian Co. OK. Tall in height, medium build.

World War II draft registration (1942): b. 27 Dec 1887 Robinson KS; res: 420 W. Hayes, El Reno, Canadian OK. Contact: Pearl Eaton, 810 S. Roberts, El Reno OK [i.e. his sister].

Employed by Moran & Buckner Construction Co., Muskogee, Muskogee OK. Height: 6'1" – 175 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 19 Sep 1917

Discharged 18 Aug 1919

Address: 515 S. Foster St., El Reno OK

Rank/unit: wag, Cas Det Demob Gp

Birth & death:

Born: 27 Dec 1887 Robinson, Brown KS (WWII draft registration & Find A Grave) - 1886 (WWI draft registration)

Died: 22 Sep 1974, El Reno, Canadian OK (at his home)

Find A Grave record: 33280507 - presence on Tuscania noted in text

Burial location: El Reno, Canadian OK

Cemetery: El Reno

Tombstone: veteran flat: Wagr US Army

Father: John Wesley Baker Sr., Nov 1857 Meredosia, Morgan IL – 1922 El Reno, Canadian Co. OK.

Son of Aaron & Eliza J. Baker. His confusing obituary indicates he had 9 children – names Albert, Macy, Lewis, Archie, Elmer, Henry, Pearl & Irwin (8 names) – and then says a son [i.e. John Wesley

Jr.] & daughter [i.e.. Elizabeth] preceded him in death. Buried in Red Rock Cemetery, El Reno, Canadian OK.

Find A Grave: 46471887

Mother: Barbara Elisabeth (AKA Elizabeth B.) Gannon Baker, 22 Sep 1862 Forest City, Holt MO – 7 Jan 1953 El Reno, Canadian Co. OK. Daughter of James G. Gannon & Amanda Jane Ridge. Resident of Okarche OK when her mother, Amanda Ridge Gannon Cowley d. Dec 1915.

Buried in Red Rock Cemetery, El Reno, Canadian OK.

Find A Grave: 33280476

Parents; marriage: John W. Baker & Barbara Gannon married 29 Dec 1881 in Hiawatha, Brown KS.

Spouse: In all censuses except 1930, Lewis reports he is single. In the 1950 census, he says he has never married, but in the 1930 census, his status is “widowed.”

Spouse Find A Grave:

Children:

Siblings:

- Elizabeth (Lacy) Baker, 8 Oct 1882 Robinson, Brown KS – 15 Nov 1885 Robinson, Brown KS. Listed as Elizabeth Baker Jr. in the 1885 KS state census (as of 1 Mar 1885).
- Prince Albert Baker, 9 Jul 1884 Robinson, Brown KS – 1916 Wichita Co. KS.
- Macy Jane Baker Ridge, 3 Dec 1885 Robinson, Brown KS - 8 Dec 1980 Tulare CA. Wife of John Marshall Ridge (1869-1944, F: 29339250) whom she married 8 Feb 1911 in St. Joseph, Buchanan MO. Buried in Rose Hill Cemetery, Robinson, Brown KS. F: 293392000
- John Wesley Baker Jr., 4 Dec 1889 Robinson, Brown KS 2 Apr 1910 Okarche, Canadian OK. Committed suicide by hanging himself with an American flag in the McCabe Schoolhouse, 9 miles SW of Okarche OK. According to his death notice, buried in Salem Cemetery, likely the one in Alpha, Kingfisher Co. OK but not on Find A Grave as of 5 Nov 2023.
- Archie Edgar Baker, 8 Oct 1895 [1892 on Find A Grave] Robinson, Brown KS – 23 May 1950. Married 1 May 1917 in Canadian Co. OK to Maude Draper Baker (later Pickard) (1891-1971, F: 31562533); they divorced 7 Jan 1938. Buried in El Reno Cemetery, El Reno, Canadian OK. F: 125680983
- Charles Elmer Baker, 14 Apr 1897 Okarche, Canadian OK – 8 Aug 1966 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Co. OK. Served in the Army in WWI, as a private in Co. M, 79th Infantry. Buried in El Reno Cemetery, El Reno, Canadian OK. F: 33280499
- Henry Herbert Baker, 7 Mar 1899 Okarche, Canadian Co. OK - 7 Dec 1988 Tulare Co. CA. Married 6 Oct 1925 in Canadian Co. OK to Thelma Margaret Day (1906-1970).
- Pearl Elizabeth Baker Eaton. 18 Oct 1901 Okarche, Canadian Co. OK - 8 Feb 1988 El Reno, Canadian OK (at 215 North Macomb, El Reno OK). Wife of Samuel Henry Lee Eaton (1903-1976, F: 14746354) whom she married 7 Nov 1931 in Enid, Garfield OK.

- Ervin G. Baker, 15 Sep 1907 Okarche, Canadian Co. OK - 16 Jan 1994 El Reno OK. Obtained a marriage license in Apr 1953 to marry Elyse Beryl Galloway (1913-1994, F: 33314253)l. Buried in the El Reno Cemetery, El Reno, Canadian OK. F: 33314257

Notes:

Prewar:

Both of his parents lived in Robinson Township KS when they married. They moved to Oklahoma Territory in 1893, living in various cities in Canadian County. In Nov 1907 Oklahoma achieved statehood. According to a family history, Lewis made his home in El Reno OK in 1923 and was a lifelong member of the American Legion & VFW. He worked on highway construction & retired as a foreman.

"Okarche (OK) Times" 4 May 1917 p 5 – Maud Draper married Archie E. Baker on 1 May 1917 in Geary OK at her parents' home. The best man was Lewis D. Baker, the groom's brother. The groom's sister – Mrs. J.M. Ridge of Blackwell – was the matron of honor.

Wartime:

Rescued by trawler "Elf King." Was hospitalized in Larne, Ireland, Feb 1918.

"Okarche (OK) Times" 7 Feb 1919 p 1 – "Lewis Baker Now Upon the Rhine"

Was 1 of the 1st Okarche boys to answer the call to service. Having a good time during the final wind-up of war. Wrote brother archie on 8 Jan 1919 from Bendorf, Germany – "Hello, Kid." Asked how the old boy & mamma were doing? Guesses he can stand to be called uncle now. Took a 28-day hike from France to Dutchland. Drove 4 horses to (pulling) an ammunition wagon. Fine weather. Got an inch of snow Christmas morning which was the only thing that looked like Xmas. Doesn't think he'll be here long. A good-sized town with several factories. American soldiers are treated fine, better than he expected. Having an easy time as he is just taking care of his 4 horses. The big town of Bendorf is 8 kilometers away; the Rhine River flows along the edge. There is a lot of beer. Tell Fred Reimers he did as requested and drank a beer for him. He got a letter from Macy [his sister] and she said she sent a box, but he hasn't received it yet.

Post-war:

Obituary:

"Daily Oklahoman" (Oklahoma City OK) 25 Sep 1974 p 33 – age 86, of El Reno OK, services & burial in El Reno on 25 Sep 1974

Social Security Number: 447-09-5711

Censuses:

1885 KS state census – Robinson, Brown KS – as of 1 Mar 1885

John W. Baker, 27 IL, farmer

Elizabeth, 22 MO

Elizabeth Jr., 2 KS

Prince A., 9 months KS

1900 Cement township, Canadian OK

John W. Baker, 42 IL, Nov 1857, parents b. IL, farmer, married 17 years

Elizabeth B., 37 MO, parents b. KY, gave birth to 8 children, 7 are living

Prince A., 15 KS, Jul 1884, at school

Macy J., 13, Dec 1886 KS, at school [female]

Lewis D., 12, Dec 1887 KS, at school

John W., 10 KS, Dec 1889, at school

Archie E., 8 KS, Oct 1891

Charles E., 3 OK, Apr 1897

Henry H., 1 OK, Mar 1899

1910 Cement, Canadian OK

John W. Baker, 52 IL, parents b. IL, married 28 years, farmer, general farm

Barbra E., 47 MO, father b. NY, mother b. KY, gave birth to 10 children, 8 are living

Lewis D., 22 KS, single, farmer, home farm

Archie E., 18 KS, single, farmer, home farm

Charles E., 12 OK

Henry H., 11 OK

Pearl E., 8 OK

Ernist, 2 OK [appears to be Ervin]

1920 Cement, Canadian OK

John W. Baker, 62 IL, parents b. IL, farmer, general farm

Elizabeth, 58 MO, father b. NY, mother b. KY

Lewis D., 33 KS, single, farmer, general farm

Charley, 32 OK, single, farmer, general farm

Henry, 20 OK, single, farmer, general farm

Pearl, 18 OK

Irving, 12 OK

1930 El Reno, Canadian OK

Elizabeth Baker, 67 MO, father b. NY, mother b. KY, widow

Erwin, 22 OK, single, laborer, railroad

Charles, 33 OK, single, mechanic, railroad, WWI veteran

Pearl, 28 OK, single, house keeper, private home

Lewis, 40 KS, widowed, foreman, construction, WWI veteran

[for the children, father b. IL, mother b. MO]

1940 El Reno, Canadian OK – same place in 1935

Barbara L. Baker, 77 MO, widow

Lewis D., 53 KS, single, general laborer

Charles E., 43 OK, single, carpenter

1950 El Reno, Canadian OK

Charles Elmer Baker, 53 OK, never married, mechanic carman, railroad [head of household]

Ervin, 42 OK, divorced, general roof work, roofing [brother]

Lewis B., 62 KS, never married, general roof work, roofing [brother]

Barbara E., 87 MO, widow [mother]