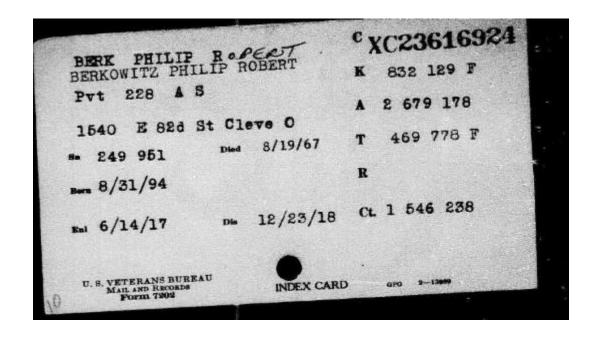


Berkowitz, Philip Robert (changed surname to Berk) 1895 OH – 1967 OH



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Philip R. Berkowitz

Military • Ohio, World War I, Enrollment Cards, 1914-1918

Name Philip R. Berkowitz

Age **22**

Birth Year (Estimated) 1895

Birthplace Cleveland, Ohio

Residence Place Omaha, Nebraska

Event Type Military Service

Event Date 14 Jun 1917

Event Place Fort Logan, Arapahoe, Colorado, United

States

Event Place (Original) Ft Logan, Colorado

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Philip R Berk

in the Ohio, U.S., Death Records, 1908-1932, 1938-2018

Name	Philip R Berk
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	71
Birth Date	Est 1896
Residence Place	Shaker Heights, Cuyahoga, Ohio, USA
Death Date	19 Aug 1967
Death Place	Cleveland, Cuyahoga, USA
Inquest Hospital	Cleveland Clinic Hospital
Registrar's Certificate Number	58830
Inquest Questions	Certifier: Physician; Autopsy Performed?: Yes, used for certification;
Probate search	Search for 1967 Philip R in Ohio Wills & Probates collection

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Ohio, Roster of Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines in World War I, 1917-1918

BERKOWITZ. PHILIP R., 249951, White, 617 S. 19th St., Omaha, Nebr. RA Ft Logan, Colo. June 14/17. Br Cleveland, O. 22 9/12 yrs. 118 Aer Sq to Dcc 15/17; 158 Aer Sq to Aug 30/18; 1107 Aer Sq to Nov 19/18; 228 Aer Sq to disch. Pvt. AEF Jan 24/18 to Dec 2/18. Hon disch Dec 20/18.

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First name spelled PHILLIP - "Cleveland (OH) Tribune" Friday 8 Feb 1918 p 5

OHIO SOLDIERS ON TUSCANIA

'Following are the names of Ohioans still unaccounted for in the sinking of the transport Tuscania:

Private Frank D. Reilley, 100th aero squad. Cleveland.

Private Stanley R. Augspurger, 20th engineers, Dayton.

Private Richard A. Ninehart, 20th engineers, Columbus.

Private Carroll Scully, 158th aero squad, Toledo.

Private Gregg Gehring, 213th aero squad, Findlay.

Names of Ohioans' reported safe follow:

Philip R. Berkowitz, Cleveland; C. H. Cox, Columbus; L. K. Koppes, Mansfield; K. B. Martin, West Unity; A. A. Jones, Toledo; J. M. O'Leary, Crestline; D. D. Casement, Painesville; Frank W. McCary, Chillicothe.

Edwin Wilkin, Amsterdam; Walter Wason, Amsterdam; A. J. Roth, Lorain; C. C. Noel, Sandusky; Harry E. McCormich, Fredericktown; Hugh Zelles, Delaware.

"Akron (OH) Beacon Journal" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1

Washington, February 10.—The additional list of survivors of the Tuscania given out to-day include:

PHILIP R BERKOWITZ, 1540 East

Fighty-second street, Cleveland, Ohio.
"Cincinnati (OH) Enquirer" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 2

Wife:

APPLICATION NO.	250781	FILED AND B	ARRIAGE LICE		November 14	1929
Name Philip R.	Berk		Name	Lottie Ne		
Age 34 Residence		82nd St.	Age 29		10012 So.Boul	evard
Place of Birth	Clevela		Place of Birt	.	Cleveland,	
Occupation	Merchan		Occupation		Teacher	
Father's Name	Samuel	Berkowitz rattner	Father's Nan		Louis Newman	
Mother's Maiden Name			Mother's Ma		Rauline Newma	
Number of times previously	married	None	Number of ti Married Nam	mes previously i	narried No	ne
Marriage to be solemnized b	Ret/ habbi	B.Brickner,	uclid & 82 Li	cense issued by	H.W.Beckman	Deputy Cler
Consent of	Filed	19	Consent of		Filed	19
THE STATE OF OHIO, CUYAHOGA COUNTY.	SS.	22.53.6	RETURN			
	8th day of	November	19 29 Mr	Ph111	p R.Berk	
I CERTIFY. That on the	8th day of					

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Father:

John Holdstein and Harry Greenberger are in Cleveland today attending the wedding of Samuel Berkowitz and Minnie Tratnor.

"Akron (OH) Evening News" Tuesday 8 Aug 1893 p 4

Henry Kraus and Samuel Berkowitz were visiting in Cleveland Tuesday.

"Akron (OH) Evening News" Wednesday 15 Jan 1896 p 4

Mother:

	The State of Ohio, Cuyahoga County 88., Secretty that on the 8 h May of Canques 1893	No. 3924 The State of Ohio, Cuyahoga County, SS. Connect S. Book own to having made application for a marriage License for Room self and of said munty, and being duly sworn, on his oath says that
1312 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -	Manuel & Berweit	
	consections legally joined in marriage. 1801 Colle Beganned Delea	Subscribed and Sworn to before me, and license issued this 2 day of 189 3 Probate Judge.

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Siblings:

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	GUVAHOGA COUNTY, SS. / Certify, That on the 1 29 th day of Mary Deller
	me lody our of Cohn and Misselma la Berkon witheyere by me legally
	joined in marriage. Rev. Louis Wolsey

Marriage of sister Selma E. Berkowitz (1894-1955) to Edward A. Cohn - https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/1876/images/32365_225727-00831?pld=2627833

Selma Cohn

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

Name	Selma Cohn
Birth Date	5 Jun 1894
Death Date	14 Jul 1955
Claim Date	10 Oct 1955
SSN	283100907
Notes	02 Sep 1955: Name listed as SELMA COHN

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Woman Killed In Crash CLEVELAND (INS) — A 60year-old Lakewood man and his 53-year-old female comMcElroy died at Lutheran

year-old Lakewood man and tossed out of the auto. Natalie his 53-year-old female com-McElroy died at Lutheran panion suffered fatal injuries hospital nearly two hours aftwhen their auto plowed into a er the crash.

Car accident death of brother Edward Albert Berk (1897-1957) – "Mansfield (OH) News-Journal" Sunday, 31 Mar 1957 p 31

CLEVELAND (P)—An automobile sheared off a utility pole on the Main Avenue bridge today. Edward A. Berk, 60, a passenger, was thrown from the car and killed. The driver, Miss Natalie McElroy, 32, Lakewood, was injured critically and is in Lutheran Hospital.

Natalie McElroy was the driver – in this article, she was still alive – "Fremont (OH) News-Messenger" Friday 29 Mar 1957 p 13

ork. Man Killed Instantly O. Dead in the Main Avenue the Bridge accident were: ned EDWARD A. BERK, 60, of nan Hotel Hollenden. MISS NATALIE MCELROY, tate 32, of 14901 Lake Avenue, Lake-2001 52, wood. Berk was killed instantly :0nwhen the car in which he was al. and riding went out of control and hit a utility pole and iron raillost ing on the bridge over Mulberry ove Avenue N. W. at 4:15 a.m. Miss McElroy died two hours it a later in Lutheran Hospital, afteck. er telling police she was the and driver. Witnesses estimated speed of verthe westbound car at 85 to 100 MAN miles per hour. Both victims were thrown out of the vehicle by the crash. Both Beris and Miss McElroy was were said by relatives to have been divorced within the last two years. the Berid was an investment nidt counselor and Miss McElroy a nest clerk in a jewelry store. nidt 3 p.m. Monday in the Temple sons Memorial funeral home. He is survived by a brother here and ken two sisters in Phoenix, Ariz. Services for Miss McElroy will be at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday in ske the Flanner & Buchanan funeral last home, Indianapolis. Friends here he may call at the Merie Owen & end Sons funeral home after 2 p.m. on loday. eer- Surviving her are her parents and a brother. 90+1- - - --

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Sister Mildred Berk (1901-1970) – "Arizona Republic" (Phoenix AZ) Tuesday2 5 Aug 1970 p 32



Sister Rhea P. Berk - https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/26010164/person/380182055893/facts



https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/26010164/person/380182055893/facts

Abbreviations:

b = born

<mark>d = died</mark>

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

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Philip Robert Berkowitz

Name variations: Philip Robert Berk [changed surname between the 1920 census conducted on 15 Jan 1920 and his marriage license application on 28 Nov 1929], Phil Berk Military:

On Tuscania: 158th Aero Squadron – private

Serial number: 249,951

Entered service from: Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Philip R. Berkowitz

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": mother Mrs. Minnie Berkowitz, 1540 E. 82nd St., Cleveland OH

Returned from war on: "Mauretania" between Nov 1918 & Mar 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Philip Robert Berkowitz

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Minnie Berkowitz, 1540 E. 82nd St., Cleveland OH (pvt, 228th Aero Sq Air Service)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Philip R. Berkowitz - b. 31 Aug 1895 Cleveland OH; res: 2320 – 63rd St., Cleveland Heights OH. Single. Traveling salesman, Hyatt Ribbon Co., address: employed "on the road." Short in height, medium build. Registered 29 May 1917, in advance of the 5 Jun 1917 national registration day.

National Tuscania Survivors Association 1939 roster: 10012 South Blvd., Cleveland OH (listed as Berk)

World War II draft registration (1942): as Philip Robert Berk - b. 31 Aug 1895 Cleveland OH; res: 2489 Overlook Rd., Cleveland Heights, Cuyahoga OH. NOK wife Lottie N. Berk [no address]. Employed by Arbetman Bros. & Blair Co. Inc., at 237 S. Market St., Chicago IL. Has mole on back. Is 5' 5 1/2 inches tall, 165 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index: listed as both Philip Robert Berk and Berkowitz

Discharged 23 Dec 1918

Enlisted 14 Jun 1917

Address: 1540 E. 82nd St., Cleveland OH Rank/unit: private, 228th Aero Squadron

OH, WWI Enrollment Cards:

Enlisted 14 Jun 1917 at Fort Logan, Arapahoe Co. CO, as a resident of Omaha NE, b. 1895 Cleveland OH.

Service record (supplied by Steven Schwartz):

118th Aero Squadron 14 Jun 1917 – 15 Dec 1917 – 158th Aero Squadron 16 Dec 1917 – 30 Aug 1918 – 1107th Aero Squadron 31 Aug 1918 – 19 Nov 1918 – 228th Aero Squadron 20 Nov 1918 – 20 Dec 1918. Enlisted: 14Jun 14, 1917 Fort Logan CO. Army Discharge: 20 Dec 1918 Camp Mills.

Birth & death:

Born: 31 Aug 1895 Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH

Died: 19 Aug 1967 Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH (Cleveland Clinic Hospital) Find A Grave record: 87236620 - presence on Tuscania noted in flower

Burial location: Cleveland Heights, Cuyahoga OH

Cemetery: Mayfield

Tombstone: buried with surname Berk

Father: Samuel S. Berkowitz, 6 Apr 1869 Austria-Hungary [usually listed as Hungary, listed as Austria on Find A Grave] – 9 May 1943 Cuyahoga Co. OH.

Son of Pintse Berkovitz & Rosalia Veislovicz.

Resident of 3554 Riedham Rd., Shaker Heights OH at death. Listed as son of Phillip Berkowitz (b. Hungary) & Sarah Whitelaw (b. Hungary) on OH death record. Buried in Glenville Cemetery. Resident of 2320 E. 37th St., Cleveland OH when naturalized 13 Oct 1890 in Circuit Court of St. Louis, Cuyahoga Co. OH. Born Hungary, ca. 1868. Age 22 when naturalized, age 42 when recorded.

Buried in Glenville Cemetery, Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH.

Find A Grave: 86904116

Mother: Minnie Trattner Berkowitz, b. 15 Apr 1870 Austria-Hungary (usually listed as

Hungarym listed as Austria on Find A Grave) – 7 Apr 1947 Cuyahoga Co. OH.

Buried in Glenville Cemetery, Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH.

Find A Grave: 86904035

Parents' marriage: 8 Aug 1893 Cuyahoga Co. OH by Rabbi Sigmund Delscher.

Spouse: Lottie Newman Berk. 12 Oct 1897 OH – 9 Jul 1991 Beachwood, Cuyahoga Co. OH (in a Beachwood nursing home).

Daughter of Louis & Pauline Newman.

Buried in Mayfield Cemetery, Cleveland Heights, Cuyahoga OH.

Spouse Find A Grave: 124501400

Marriage: Philip R. Berk, age 34, resident of 1540 E. 82nd St., Cleveland OH, merchant, son of Samuel S. Berkowitz & Minnie Trattner - married 28 Nov 1929 Cuyahoga Co. OH - to Lottie Newman, age 29, resident of 10012 South Boulevard, Cleveland OH, teacher, daughter of Louis & Pauline Newman. Both their 1st marriages. Married by Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner at Euclid & 82nd St. (The funerals of Philip & his family are held at the Cleveland Memorial Temple at Euclid & 82nd)

Children:

Siblings:

• Selma E. Berkowitz Cohn, 5 Jun 1894 Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH – 14 Jul 1955 [presumably in OH]. - When she was born, her father was listed as Sam Berkowitz, age 24, b. Hungary & her mother Minnie Trattner, age 22, b. Hungary. She was

- delivered by Dr. Peskind, M.D. At age 25, married 29 Nov 1917 Cuyahoga Co. OH to Edward A. Cohn, son of Samuel Cohn & Clara Bettegay, age 23, b. Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH. Rhoda F. Cohn, daughter of Edward & Selma, age 33, married Robert E. Lind, son of George Lind & Violet Presley on 25 Jul 1952 Cuyahoga Co. OH. She was employed at a soda fountain, he in a factory. Both were born in OH, both were residents of Cuyahoga Co. OH. Her husband Edward A. Cohn b. 20 Jul 1892 Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH d. 1936, F: 179728791. He is also on Billion Graves. Selma is also found on Billion Graves #31324334. Selma is buried in Mount Sinai Cemetery, Mayfield, Cuyahoga OH. F: 228600609
- Edward Albert Berk (born Berkowitz), 8 Jan 1897 Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH 30 Mar 1957 Cuyahoga Co. OH (or 29 Mar 1957 as reported in a paper of that date). Never married. F: 87250463. "Mansfield (OH) News-Journal" 31 Mar 1957 p 31 60-year-old Lakewood resident Edward Berk died instantly when thrown from a car when it plowed into a utility pole on the Main Avenue bridge in Cleveland. Natalie McElroy, age 53, died nearly 2 hours later at Lutheran Hospital. "Evening Review" (East Liverpool OH) 29 Mar 1957 p 13 gives death date of 29 Mar. The car sheared off a utility pole. Edward, age 60, was an investment counselor living at the Hollenden Hotel in Cleveland. In this article (and several others) the age of Miss Natalie McElroy is given as 32 (instead of 53). She was the driver of the car. Buried in Glenville Cemetery, Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH.

 F: 87250463
- Mildred P. Berk (born Berkowitz), 5 Jul 1905 Cuyahoga Co. OH [listed as 1911 on her Find A Grave record & OH death record, but was age 4 in 1910 census & age 14 in 1920 census]- 15 Aug 1970 Phoenix, Maricopa AZ. Buried in Glenville Cemetery, Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH. F: 139812966
- Rhea Berk (born Berkowitz), 1911 OH 22 Oct 1959 Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH. Never married. Buried in Glenville as parents are. F: 139813136

Notes: OH birth record: father Samuel Berkowitz, b. Hungary, age 25 & Minnie Trattner, b. Hungary, age 23, born at Scovill Ave., Cleveland, delivered by Dr. A. Peskind, M.D. From Steven Schwartz: 1926 address: 617 S. 19th St., Omaha NE

Wartime:

"Coshocton (OH) Tribune" 8 Feb 1918 p 5 – Phillip Berkowitz has not contacted anyone
Post-war:

Obituary:

Social Security Number: 282-09-0969

Censuses:

1900 Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH – 871 St. Clair St.

W. Berkowick, 29 Hungary, Jan?/Jun? 1871, parents b. Hungary (German), emigrated 1890, in US for 10 years, naturalized, married 7 years, baker

Minnie, 27 Hungary, Apr 1873, parents b. Hungary, emigrated 1875, in US for 25 years, naturalization status blank, gave birth to 3 children, 3 are living [wife]

Salmon, 10 OH, Jun 1894 [son – but this is daughter Selma]

Philip, 4 OH, Aug 1895 [son]

Edward, 3 OH, Jan 1897

1910 Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH – 2320 E. 37th St.

Samuel Berkowitz, 40 Hungary (German), parents b. Hungary (German), emigrated 1873, naturalized, in 1st marriage, married 16 years, salesman, baking company Minnie, 40 OH, parents b. Hungary (German), in 1st marriage, gave birth to 5 children, 5 are

Selma, 15 OH

living

Philip, 14 OH

Edward, 13 OH

Mildred, 9 OH

Rhea, 4 OH

1920 Cleveland, Cuyahoga OH – 1540 E. 62nd (?) St.

Samuel S. Berkowitz, 50 Hungary, parents b. Hungary, emigrated 1865, naturalized 1895, druggist, drug store

Minnie, 49 Hungary, parents b. Hungary, emigrated 1883, naturalized 1895

Philip, 24 OH, salesman, knit goods

Edward, 23 OH, salesman, oil

Mildred, 18 OH, portometer (?), manufacturing

Rhea, 14 OH

1930 cannot locate

1940 Cleveland Heights, Cuyahoga OH – Overlook – same place in 1935 Phillip R. Berk, 44 OH, salesman, wholesale ladies' clothing Lottie N., 42 OH, substitute teacher, public school

1950 Cleveland Heights, Cuyahoga OH – 2489 Overlook Rd. Philip R. Beck, 54 OH, salesman, ladies coat factory Lottie N., 52 OH