

TUSCANIA

Berry, Arthur George
1894 WI – 1942 LA

BERRY ARTHUR GEORGE		I c 3 067 369
Cpl Co K 23 Inf		K
Orlando Okla		A 1 642 324
Ssn 251 376	Died 7/18/42	T 522 913
Born 7/1/94		R
Enl 10/3/17	Dis 9/19/19	Ct 570 319

U. S. VETERANS BUREAU
 MAIL AND RECORDS
 Form 7292

INDEX CARD

GPO 2-17969

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16-11459-12		WW I		WW II		C N M R - 10/6/1961 KOREA		ORIGINAL	
1. NAME OF DECEASED - LAST-FIRST-MIDDLE (Print or Type)					APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE OR MARKER (See attached instructions. Complete and submit both copies)				
BERRY, Arthur G					13. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (City and State)				
2. SERVICE NUMBER		251 376			Lawview Cemetery, Orlando, Okla.				
3. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NUMBER		unknown			14. 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 United States, soldier of the Union or Confederate Armies of the Civil War or for an unmarked memorial plot for a non-recoverable deceased member of the Armed Forces of the United States.				
4. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, day, year)		10-4-17 10-3-17			15. I hereby agree to accept responsibility for properly placing the stone or marker at the grave or memorial plot at no expense to the Government.				
5. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, day, year)		9-19-19 HON.			NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Print or Type)				
6. STATE		Okla.			Chester H. Berry				
7. MEDALS		NONE			220 E. Symmes, Norman, Okla.				
8. GRADE, BRANCH OF SERVICE, COMPANY, REGIMENT AND DIVISION					RELATIONSHIP				
Corpl. Co. K, 23rd. Inf. 2 DIV					Bro.				
9. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year)		7-1-93			SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT				
10. DATE OF DEATH (Month, day, year)		7-18-1942			Chester H. Berry				
11. RELIGIOUS EMBLEM (Check one)		<input type="checkbox"/> LATIN CROSS (Christian) <input type="checkbox"/> STAR OF DAVID (Hebrew) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO EMBLEM			12. CHECK TYPE REQUIRED		DATE		
		<input type="checkbox"/> UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE <input type="checkbox"/> FLAT MARBLE MARKER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FLAT GRANITE MARKER <input type="checkbox"/> FLAT BRONZE MARKER			13. FREIGHT STATION		8-23-1963		
DO NOT WRITE HERE					15. SHIP TO (Print or type name and address of person who will transport stone or marker to cemetery)				
FOR VERIFICATION		AUG 26 1963			Newton Funeral Home, Perry, Oklahoma				
ORDERED		3 OCT 1963			The applicant for this stone or marker has made arrangements with me to transport same to the cemetery.				
B/L		C 2031317			SIGNATURE				
CONTRACTOR		DAVE WILLIAMS & SONS INC.			H. Newton				
		DALLAS, TEXAS							
Cpl Co K 23 Infantry WWI									

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REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897)				
SERIAL NUMBER	1. NAME (Print)			ORDER NUMBER
U 2143	Arthur George Berry (First) (Middle) (Last)			
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print)				
124 N. Lincoln, to G. H. Berry, Norman, Okla. (Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)				
[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]				
3. MAILING ADDRESS				
General Del. Okla. City, Okla. (Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same)				
4. TELEPHONE		5. AGE IN YEARS		6. PLACE OF BIRTH
Don't know		47		Harbeson
		DATE OF BIRTH		(Town or county)
		7-1-1894		Misc.
(Exchange) (Number)		(Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)		(State or country)
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS				
G. H. Berry, 124 N. Lincoln, Norman, Okla.				
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS				
not employed				
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS				
(Number and street or R. F. D. number)		(Town)	(County)	(State)
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.				
D. S. S. Form 1 (Revised 4-1-42)		16-21630-2		Arthur G. Berry (Registrant's signature)

REGISTRAR'S REPORT							
DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT							
RACE		HEIGHT (Approx.)		WEIGHT (Approx.)		COMPLEXION	
White	✓	5-8		160		Sallow	
		EYES		HAIR		Light	
Negro		Blue	✓	Blonde		Ruddy	✓
		Gray		Red		Dark	
Oriental		Hazel		Brown	✓	Freckled	
		Brown		Black		Light brown	
Indian		Black		Gray		Dark brown	
				Bald	✓	Black	
Filipino							

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification
Shrapnel mark on l. hand.
from last war.

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Marion J. Pinner
 (Signature of registrar)

Registrar for Local Board #5- *Okla. City, Okla.*
 (Number) (City or county) (State)

Date of registration *4-25-42*

Local Board of Cleveland County,
 COURT HOUSE,
 NORMAN, OKLAHOMA
 (STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space)

16-21630-1

WWII draft registration 25 Apr 1942 – he died 18 Jul 1942 -

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Arthur George Berry

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

Name	Arthur George Berry
Gender	Male
Race	White
Birth Date	1 Jul 1894
Birth Place	Waukesha Wau, Wisconsin
Father	George W Berry
Mother	Anna Hicken
SSN	442058590
Notes	Dec 1936: Name listed as ARTHUR GEORGE BERRY

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/9233082:60901?tid=&pid=&queryId=69a37fb7-1940-4499-8265-6e06b45d8491&_phsrc=cPx8018&_phstart=successSource

Arthur Berry Dies After Brief Illness

Final rites will be held at 2 p. m. Wednesday in the chapel of the Newton funeral home for Arthur G. Berry, 48, former county resident who died Saturday afternoon in New Orleans after a brief illness with pneumonia.

He was born July 1, 1894, at Waukesha, Wis., and came to Noble county with his parents in 1904, moving to a farm five miles west and three south of Perry.

He was an oil field worker. He had lived in Oklahoma City for the past three years, going to New Orleans about three weeks ago.

Rev. David Thomas, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will conduct services Wednesday. Burial will be in the Long View cemetery.

Survivors are his father, G. W. Berry, of Gage, Okla.; a sister, Mrs. Laura Kemnitz of Edmond; and two brothers, Lester of Gage and Chester of Norman.

The body will arrive here early Wednesday from Louisiana.

Obituary of Arthur George Berry – “Perry (OK) Daily Journal & the Perry Republican & the Noble County Sentinel” Tuesday 21 Jul 1942 p 1

Where the record is found (citation):
 "Oklahoma, School Records, 1895-1968", , FamilySearch
 (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:Q2KV-1SWJ : Fri Jan 12 21:54:59 UTC
 2024), Entry for Arthur G Berry and Geo W Berry, 1912.

SCHOOL CENSUS OF DISTRICT No. 18 *Noble* COUNTY, OKLAHOMA
 YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1912

Name of Parent (or guardian) *Geo W Berry* Address *Orlando Okla*

NAME OF PUPIL	DATE OF BIRTH		AGE
	Month and Day	Year	
<i>Chester H Berry</i>	<i>Mar 18</i>	<i>1891</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>Lester</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>Arthur G</i>	<i>Jul 1</i>	<i>1894</i>	<i>17</i>
<i>Laura A</i>	<i>Aug 31</i>	<i>1895</i>	<i>15</i>

This is a true and full statement of all children of my family or under my guardianship or control, between the ages of six and twenty-one years, required under the law to be enumerated.
 (Signed) *Geo W Berry* Parent or Guardian

1912 OK School Census, Noble Co. OK – children of George W. Berry, Orlando OK
 Chester H., 20, 18 Mar 1891
 Lester, 20, 18 Mar 1891
 Arthur G., 17, 1 Jul 1894
 Laura A., 15, 31 Aug 1895

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CSMS-WSNV-G?view=index&action=view>

Where the record is found (citation):
 "Oklahoma, School Records, 1895-1968", , FamilySearch
 (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:Q2KK-N39L : Fri Jan 12 19:01:44 UTC
 2024), Entry for Arthur G Berry and Geo W Berry, 1913.

Name **Arthur G Berry**
 Sex **Male**
 Age **18 years** ✓
 Birth Date **1 July 1895** ✓
 Parent Name **Geo W Berry**
 Event Type **School enrollment**
 Event Date **1913**
 Event Place **Noble Township, Noble, Oklahoma, United States**
 Event Place (Original) **Noble**

SCHOOL CENSUS OF DISTRICT No. 18, Noble COUNTY, OKLAHOMA
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1913

Name of Parent (or guardian) Geo W Berry Address Noble, Oklahoma

NAME OF PUPIL	DATE OF BIRTH		AGE
	Month and Day	Year	
<u>Robert H Berry</u>	<u>Feb 18</u>	<u>1895</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>Arthur G "</u>	<u>July 1</u>	<u>1895</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>Laura A "</u>	<u>July 31</u>	<u>1895</u>	<u>18</u>

This is a true and full statement of all children of my family or under my guardianship or control, between the ages of six and twenty-one years, required under the law to be enumerated.
 (Signed) Geo W Berry Parent or Guardian

1913 Oklahoma School Records – age 18 -
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CSMS-WSNV-G?view=index&action=view>

Name	Arthur S Berry
Sex	Male
Birth Date	1894
Birthplace	Wawrehs, Wis
Father's Name	G W Berry
Father's Sex	Male
Event Type	Death
Event Place	Oklahoma, United States

FUNERAL REGISTER		75
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Bureau of the Census		State File No. _____ Registrar's No. _____
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		
1. PLACE OF DEATH: (a) County _____ (b) City or town _____ (If outside city or town limits, write RURAL) (c) Name of hospital or institution: _____ (If not in hospital or institution, write street number or location) (d) Length of stay in hospital or institution _____ (Specify whether years, months or days) In this community _____		2. USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED: (a) State _____ (b) County _____ (c) City or town _____ (If outside city or town limits, write RURAL) (d) Street No. _____ (If rural, give location) (e) If foreign born, how long in U. S. A.? _____ years.
3. (a) FULL NAME <u>Arthur J. Perry</u> (b) If veteran, _____ (c) Social Security _____ name war _____ No. _____ 4. Sex <u>Male</u> 5. Color or race <u>White</u> 6. (a) Single, widowed, married, divorced <u>Single</u> (b) Name of husband or wife _____ (c) Age of husband or wife if _____ alive _____ years 7. Birth date of deceased <u>July 1, 1894</u> (Month) (Day) (Year) 8. AGE: Years _____ Months _____ Days _____ If less than one day _____ hr. _____ min.		MEDICAL CERTIFICATION 20. Date of death: Month _____ day _____ year _____ hour _____ minute _____ 21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from _____ 19____ to _____ 19____ that I last saw him alive on _____ 19____ and that death occurred on the date and hour stated above. Immediate cause of death _____ Due to _____ Due to _____ Other conditions _____ (Include pregnancy within 3 months of death) Major findings: _____ Of operations _____ Of autopsy _____ 22. If death was due to external causes, fill in the following: (a) Accident, suicide, or homicide (specify) _____ (b) Date of occurrence _____ (c) Where did injury occur? _____ (City or town) _____ (County) _____ (State) _____ (d) Did injury occur in or about home, on farm, in industrial place, in public place? _____ (Specify type of place) While at work? _____ (e) Means of injury _____
9. Birthplace <u>Waukegan, Ill.</u> (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country) 10. Usual occupation <u>Shipyard Worker</u> 11. Industry or business _____ 12. Name <u>A. W. Perry</u> 13. Birthplace _____ (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country) 14. Maiden name _____ 15. Birthplace _____ (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)		PURPOSE Underline the cause to which death should be charged statistically.
16. (a) Informant's own signature _____ (b) Address _____ 17. (a) Burial, cremation, or removal <u>Buried</u> (b) Date thereof <u>July 21, 1942</u> (Month) (Day) (Year) (c) Place: burial or cremation <u>St. W. Perry chh</u> 18. (a) Signature of funeral director <u>E. W. Newlon</u> (b) Address <u>Quincy, Ill.</u>		

	AMOUNT	DATE	PAYMENTS	AMOUNT
Removal of Body				
Embalming and Attendance				
Casket <i>Service</i>	21 00			
Steel Vault				
Outside Box				
Burial Robe				
Autos at \$				
Flowers				
Hearse				
Clergyman				
Singers	5 00			
Death notices in Papers				
Outlay for Lot				
Opening Grave	13 00			
Lining Grave				
Shipping charges, prepaid				
Sales Tax				
Total amount of bill				
Name of Minister	Place of Funeral Service			
Time of Funeral Service	Charged to			
REMARKS	<i>Ship</i>			

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C34X-JF4?view=index&personArk=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3A81V9-Q9ZM&action=view>

Arthur M Berry

Death • Louisiana, Orleans Parish Death Records and Certificates, 1835-1954

Name	Arthur M Berry
Sex	Male
Age	48
Birth Date	1894
Birthplace	Waukesha, Wis
Race	White
Father's Name	<u>Geo W Berry</u>
Father's Sex	Male
Mother's Name	<u>Anna Olga Hichen</u>
Mother's Sex	Female
Event Type	Death
Event Date	18 Jul 1942
Event Place	Louisiana, United States
Certificate Number	4032

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:ZNWS-K6N2>

Life:

Off For Camp Travis

Historical Society

Seventy-Two Noble County Young Men Answer Country's Call to Arms.

The following list of Noble county young men, seventy-two in number, were ordered to report to the local board on Oct. 2 for military duty and for transportation to the mobilization camp at Camp Travis, Texas. All appeared but two, Robert Melvin Holmes, who is ill with typhoid fever at the home of his parents in Perry, and Geo. Edward Roush of Billings. Vivian K. DeBord asked to be allowed to take the place of the first and his request was granted. Henry Zemp of Morrison was selected to take the place of Geo. Roush.

As soon as it became known

Carl A. Katschor
Henry Harrison Lee
Pete Faken
Isaac Leonidas Sherman
Frank Jirous
Thos F. Parker
Geo. Vernon Ehler
Arthur Benjamin Carrier
Duane Humble Speer
J. R. Cole
Merril Black
Francis M. Blanchard
Carl Coffelt
Ivan Fry
Fred Joseph Streller
Wm Vernon Osborne
Clifford Sanders
David J. Hoffman
John B. Lee

that the boys were to leave over the Santa Fe at 9:45 A. M. arrangements were made to give them a farewell reception; all business houses were closed from 9 to 11 and practically the entire population of the city and many from all parts of the county were there to bid them good bye and God speed.

Headed by the Third Regimental Band, the boys marched from the First National Bank corner around the square. At the P. O. the pupils of the city schools and also from St. Joseph's Academy joined the procession and from there proceeded to the Santa station, although the train was an hour late, but even then the time seemed short to the boys, and their relatives and friends who were there to see them off. When the train rolled in there were many tender and tearful good byes spoken, and Noble county's contribution to the country's defense with proud and manly step boarded the train which was to carry them

Henry Frank
Irl Henry
Arthur Zimmerman
Walter A. Edmonds
Geo. Edward Roush
John W. Upperman
Chas. Fred Kennetz
John Ditner
Chas E McMillan
Wm Carl Zimmerman
Dan Delphus Bowers
Riley E Rush
Nick Joseph Steichen
Rowe Howard Abbott
Harvey Wallace Polin
Eli K Beasly
Harry R. Cross
John Cling
Robt. A. Staples
Guy S. Nelson
Ralph W. Carson
Nathaniel Andrew Moore
Oscar W. Johnson
John E. Fawcett
Thos. L. Balcerkiewicz
Bonnie Casper
Charley Jirous
Harvey Arthur Smith
Roy Bateman
Noah Bridges
Roy Stockton

to Camp Travis.

The young men, who are the flower of our young manhood, are certainly a fine lot and those who saw their manly forms and intelligent faces as they marched through the streets will not have any doubt as to their acquitting themselves with honor and credit.

Frank J. Jaegle
Luther Sanders
Charles E. Cruts

Claude A. Christie
Robert Melvin Holmes
Anton Melichor
Sylvester Courson
John A. Castleberry

Oscar Adams
Henry William Burdick
Arthur G. Berry
Thomas C. McLimans
Ujeane Griffith

Ivan Thomas Burdick
Ed Roberts
Frank Dvorak
Anton Shultz
A. John McGlaslin
John Roubidoux
H. E. Ratliff
Andrew W. Horn

LIST OF ALTERNATES

Claude Humphries
Thompson G. Foster
Anton Etzel
Henry Zemp
Wm. G. McFarland
Vivian K. Debord
Chas. B. Harper

"Noble County Sentinel" (Perry OK) Thursday 4 Oct 1917 p 1

of The Oklahoman

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Names of 106 Oklahoma men who were aboard the submarine Tuscania appear in a list of the names of 1,741 survivors cabled from "An Irish Port" to the war department today.

This leaves thirty-five Oklahoma men known to have been aboard the boat unaccounted for. The names of three Oklahomans not included in the first lists of those reported on board showed up today in the list of survivors. They are Arthur G. Berry of Orlando, Howard J. Piper of Enid and Edward J. McMann of Prague. That makes a total of 141 Oklahomans known to have been aboard the vessel when she was torpedoed.

Relatives of men known to have been on the Tuscania and whose names do not appear in the list of survivors should feel reassured in the fact that the names of many survivors are yet to be received. They are coming in very slowly and there is no assurance when the list will be complete.

Three hundred and forty-five are still unaccounted for from the cabled list, but no official report has reached the war department to change the estimate that all except 113 of the men were saved.

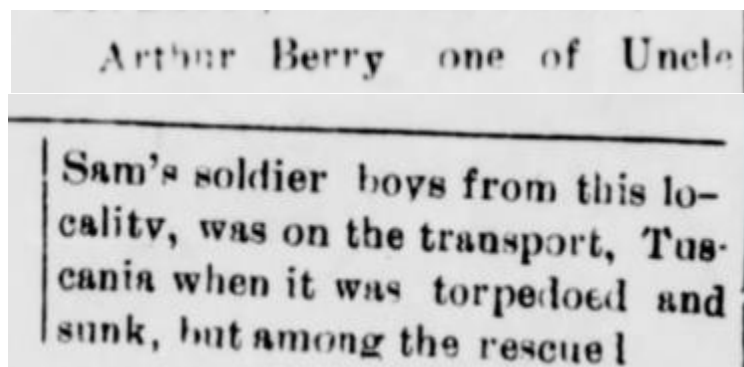
The following is a list of the Oklahoma men whose names have not been placed definitely among the survivors:

FRANK T. ALLEN , Independence.	CAPTAIN LEO P. LEBRON , Guthrie.	GEORGE C. PERRY , Lone Wolf.
HERSCHEL O. BAIRD , Wagoner.	JOSEPH MARLIN , Checotah.	JAMES C. PRICE , Boise City.
HOWARD E. BOWMAN , Rocky.	L. C. McDANIELS , Belton.	JOHN RODGE , Pleasant Hill.
JOHN B. BISHOP , Foster.	JOHN F. McDONNELL , Hinton.	JESSIE M. RHOADES , Halbert.
JOE COCHRANE , Lawton.	HOWARD W. MENELEY , Sasakwa.	LLOYD L. REKELS , Weleetka.
LOUIS CARRANTO , Coalgate.	BURLEY C. NALL , Carlington.	VIRGIL J. ROBERTS , El Reno.
HENRY E. FORSHEE , Hayward.	LUTHER W. OZMENT , Broken Bow.	OSCAR ROEBUCK , Soper.
JOHN C. GALE , Stillwater.	FLETCHER D. PLEDGER , Norman.	JESSE D. SMITH , Coleman.
BENJAMIN GEORGE , Talequah.	ONDIS POWELL , Sasakwa.	HERMAN STOSS , Hennessey.
RAYMOND T. HURST , Stillwater.	RICHARDSON PETERS , Ravina.	TULLA B. THOMPSON , Madill.
JOHN KEMPER , Fairfax.		GEORGE W. TOMLINS , El Reno.
ERNEST LINTHICUM , Oklahoma City.		ETHAN WHITE , Arnett.
		WILLIAM W. WRIGHT , Bismark.

The following list contains the names of Oklahoma men known definitely to be among the saved, according to cablegrams reaching the war department:

A.	E.	M.
ARTHUR F. AUSTIN , Catesby.	LLOYD L. ECKELS , Indianola.	JOHN H. MECOM , Checotah.
FRANK J. ACKERSON , Ochlet.	WILLIAM ELLIS , Pauls Valley.	EDWARD J. McMANN , Prague.
RALPH S. ADAMS , Oilton.	F.	CHARLTON A. MUNYON , Alva.
CLARENCE C. ANDERSON , Hobart.	A. E. FARRISINK , Alva.	VERNON MARLEY , Meeker.
JOHN F. AUTRY , Frederick.	ED. FINK , Aluwee.	N.
OLANK ANDERSON , Vinson.	* RAYMOND FOUTZ , Keil.	CLYDE B. NIBLACK , Howe.
O. C. ATCHLEY GOULD , Chickasha.	G.	P.
WILL E. ARMSTRONG , Cement.	CHARLES W. GANN , Oakman.	THOMAS PATTERSON , Ashland.
B.	JOHN CARLTON GREEN , Randolph.	JOHN E. PETERS, JR. , Norman.
ALLEN W. BARNETT , Comanche.	GILBERT GRAHAM , Weleetka.	HOWARD J. PIPER , Enid.
ARTHUR G. BERRY , Orlando.	H.	CLYDE L. PENDERGRAFF , Bower.
JAMES C. BLACKBURN , Shawnee.	LEONDAS A. HARRIS , Marsden.	RUDOLPH W. PIETRUSKY , Perry.
SILAS J. BUMPASS , Corinne.	JOHN B. HARTNESS , Collinsville.	Q.
MACK BAILEY , New Wilson.	SILVA HENSLEY , Boswell.	ROBERT E. QUINN , Guymon.
ALBERT J. BENGE , Frederick.	MELVIN E. HAGANS , Bismark.	R.
TOM BOONE , Fairfax.	BOONE MILBURN HAMMERS , Crumcreek.	CECIL RHINE , Bismark.
LOUIS D. BAKER , Okarche.	ORA L. HEMPHILL , Tyron.	CHARLES D. REYNOLDS , Weleetka.
CHARLES BARTHOLEM EW , Glencoe.	JOHN HOLLOWAY , Texanna.	S.
	ALBERT R. HARRISON , Roosevelt.	HENRY L. SCARBER , Caney.
		WILLIAM A. SELF , Elberton.

"Daily Oklahoman" (Oklahoma City OK) Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1



"Orlando (OK) Clipper" Friday 15 Feb 1918 p 12

War Getting Near.

On the Tuscania which was sunk last week was a man from Guthrie, Capt. Lebron; a man from Hennessey, Herman Stro-s, a man from Orlando, Arthur Berry; and a man from Douglas, Howard Piper.

As luck would have it there were no Marshall boys on the ship, for which we are happy.

"Marshall (OK) Tribune" Friday 15 Feb 1918 p 1

Orlando Boy on Tuscania

The following letter was written by Arthur G. Berry of Orlando, one of the survivors of the ill-fated Tuscania.

Somewhere in England,

Dear friends:

I am writing to let you know that I have arrived across the pond at last. We were on the transport of American troops that was torpedoed off the coast of Ireland. We all took to life boats and the boat I was in drifted on the coast of—(deleted).

Some of them sure had hard luck, some of the boats being washed up on the rocks and broken all to pieces. Quite a number were killed against the the rocks.

But the people sure did use us good. They could not do enough for us. So I have had a little experience in war already.

You can call yourselves lucky in the U. S. for when you go through these small towns you don't see any young men at all and you see girls working everywhere.

I suppose you have read in the papers about the Tuscania so I wont write any more about it. We lost all of our clothing and the captain says we will be here for some time getting fitted out again. Spring has just started here and everything is green. But I havn't seen the sunshine since I have been here. It took about fourteen days to come across and some of the boys were surely sea sick. We had some wind and cold days coming over.

You rarely see a frame house here. They are brick, stone or concrete. Lots of them have thatched roofs and in Scotland most of them have the houses and barns right together.

It is about supper time so I will quit. Be sure and write.

Your friend,
Arthur G. Berry,
 First Casual Co.
 A. E. F.

Arthur George Berry of Orlando OK – letter home, “Perry (OK) Republican” 21 Mar 1918 p 2

Do These Receptions For Inductees Look Familiar? Chances Are That You Will Remember This One From September, 1917

The reception that local clubs and civic organizations are giving selective service registrants who are being inducted into the armed services may be a lot similar to the one given in Perry at a Noble county soldiers' reception on Sunday, September 16, 1917.

The reception that day was described as “a day devoted to encouragement and a demonstration of genuine American spirit of Godspeed to our boys who are soon to join the colors.

It was given under auspices of the Noble county council of defense.

William H. Murray, “the sage of Tishomingo, late member of congress,” delivered the afternoon address on “Our Relation to the Foreign War.” The lecture allegedly was one that “has created a furor of patriotic enthusiasm throughout the

home this day,” the program read, “but join in this grand reunion with the soldier boys as our guests of honor,” a copy of the program is in the possession of John Cling of Perry.

The list of Noble county men going on September 16, 1917, “to the trenches to defend American liberty and justice” included:

William K. Kirkhart, Lucien; Sylvester S. Hicks, Red Rock; Ujjane Griffith, Bliss; Horace Speed Dolezal, Perry; J. R. Cole, Perry; Merel Black, Red Rock; Carl E. Coffelt, Red Rock; Albert Sommars, Perry; David Hoffman, Perry; Murray M. McCune, Perry; George Ed Roush, Billings; Charles Fred Kemnitz, Orlando; Charles F. McMillan, Billings; John Dinter, Billings.

Anton Shultz, Red Rock; Van D. Bowers, Perry; Riley E. Rush, Billings; Nick Joe Steichen, Perry; Eli

Carl A. Katschor, Billings; Henry H. Lee, Morrison; Fred Streller, Perry; Pete Feken, Perry; Henry L. Osten, Morrison; Isaac L. Sherman, Perry; Frank Jirous, Perry; Thomas Parker, Enumclaw; George Ehler, Bliss; Arthur B. Carrier, Perry; Duane Speer, Hanable; Francis M. Blanchard, Red Rock; Ivan Burdick, Perry; Ivan Fry, Red Rock; Clifford Sanders, Bliss; John B. Lee, Morrison; Arthur Zimmerman, Billings; Walter A. Edmonds, Red Rock; John Upperman, Perry.

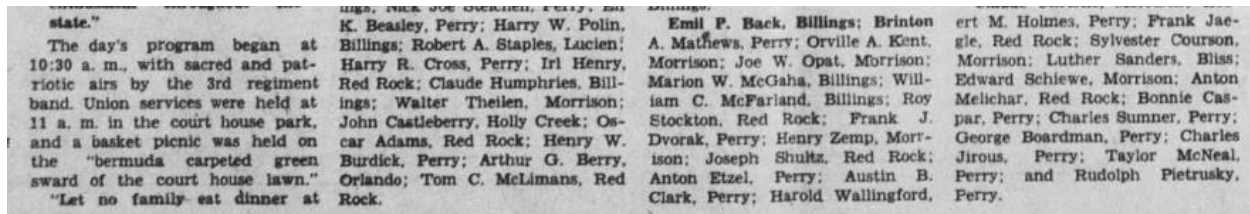
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Sumner.

Clifton G. Hall, Red Rock; Henry Loula, Perry; Orval Postelwait, Red Rock; John O'Grady, Billings; O. L. Groom, Perry; Atwell Austin, Red Rock; Vivian DeBord, Perry; Lambert Kuntz, Perry; Gerald McGrew, Red Rock; Charles B. Harper, Red Rock; Fred Vetter, Red Rock; John Roubideaux, Ren Rock; John McGlaslin, Red Rock; Harrison Roubideaux, Red Rock; Thompson Foster, Perry; Wiley L. Connor, Morrison; H. E. Rathliff, Red Rock.

Charley McGisin, Perry; Elmer Stanley, Red Rock; John Hejaminek, Perry; William V. Osborne, Billings; Frank Henny, Morrison; George Harris, Billings; Ed Roberts, Perry; James Horn, Red Rock; Charles Schaffer, Orlando; Basil Dundas, Red Rock; Charles R. Cruts, Red Rock; Oah Bridges, Red Rock; Earl Story, Bliss; Harvey Smith, Perry; Roy Bateman, Bliss.

Claude Christie, Morrison; Rob-



“Perry (OK) Daily Journal & the Perry Republican & the Noble County Sentinel” Wednesday
11 Mar 1942 p 1

Same-named man – same locale

Arthur Berry made the news in 1917 when he sued for divorce in KS from Bessie Jane McKinzie Berry (1888 KS – 1984 OK, F: 67665051), daughter of Thomas Jefferson McKinzie & Emma Ida Nading, claiming he had been coerced into marriage. Arthur said Bessie’s cousins came to Elk Co. KS claiming Arthur was wanted by the law in Vinita, Craig OK, for seduction. Arthur was arrested & then taken to Vinita where he was forced to marry Bessie – or go to the state penitentiary.

This Arthur Berry worked at the roof tiling plant in Elk City, Elk KS. In the 1915 census, Arthur George Berry (later of the Tuscania) resided in Elk City, Elk KS & worked at the lime plant. And Arthur George had moved to KS from OK, so there were a lot of similarities. However, on the Vinita, Craig OK marriage record of Arthur Berry & Bessie McKinzie, dated 16 Nov 1916, Arthur Berry was age 32. Arthur George Berry would have been around age 23. Unless he was pretending to be older?

MARRIAGE RECORD

650 - P. BARNARD & CO. ST. LOUIS

APPLICATION FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, CRAIG COUNTY.

IN COUNTY COURT.

I, Arthur Berry, the undersigned, hereby apply for a Marriage License to be issued to
 M. Arthur Berry, white-colored, aged 32 years and by occupation a Laborer
 whose residence is Coffeyville, State of Kansas, Married before No times, and who was widowed divorced, and
 M. Bessie M Kingie, white-colored, aged 27 years, and by occupation a Housekeeper
 whose residence is Hallow, State of Okla, Married before No times, and who was widowed divorced, and
 for the purpose of procuring the same, do solemnly swear that I have personal knowledge of the facts herein stated; that the names, ages and places of residence
 of said parties are truly and correctly set out above; that neither of said parties are disqualified or incapable under the law of entering into the marriage relation,
 nor are they related to each other within the degrees prohibited by law. That I am 32 years of age, and reside at Coffeyville
 County of Montgomery, State of Kansas

HUSBAND'S PARENTS		WIFE'S PARENTS	
Name	Residence	Name	Residence

By T. B. Shuman Deputy.

Arthur Berry Applicant.
 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th
 day of Nov 1916

Hugh Ritchie Court Clerk.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

IN COUNTY COURT.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, CRAIG COUNTY.

To Any Person Authorized to Perform the Marriage Ceremony, Greeting:

You are hereby authorized to join in marriage Mr. Arthur Berry
 of Coffeyville County of Montgomery State of Okla Kansas, aged 32 years, and
 M. Bessie M Kingie of Hallow County of Okla, aged 27 years.
 County of Craig, State of Okla

And of this license you will make due return to my office within thirty days from this date.

WITNESS my hand and official seal at Vinita this 4th day of November A. D. 1916By Hugh Ritchie Court Clerk.Recorded this T. B. Shuman Deputy Court Clerk.

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, CRAIG COUNTY.

I, Ed A. Stanley Justice of the Peace
 Name Vinita in Craig County, State of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that I joined
 in marriage the persons named in and authorized by this License to be married on the Fourth day of November A. D. 1916,
 at Vinita, in Craig County, State of Oklahoma, in the presence of
 and Charlie M Kingie of Hallow, Craig Co Okla
Jesse M Kingie of Hallow Craig Co Okla
Ed A. Stanley Justice of the Peace
 Returned and Recorded this 9th day of November 1916
Hugh Ritchie Court Clerk.
T. B. Shuman Deputy

Arthur George Berry was ca. age 23 – not 32 - on 4 Nov 1916

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/964506550:61379>

MARRIED UNDER DURESS

Arthur Berry in Petition for Divorce
Makes Unusual Allegations—Was
Threatened with Prosecution

Arthur Berry vs. Bessie Berry is the title of a very unusual divorce petition filed today in the district court by Attorneys Van Leuven & Keith. The plaintiff, who is a young man of this city, employed at the roofing tile plant, alleges that he was married to the defendant on November 4, last, at Vinita, Okla., and that the ceremony was fraudulent as he entered into the marriage contract under duress.

The petition is a very lengthy document and recites at length the circumstances that led up to the marriage. He alleges that on October 30, last, a cousin of the defendant came to Coffeyville from Craig county, Okla., and caused his arrest and incarceration in jail here claiming that he (Berry) was wanted in that county for seduction. The following day two officers came here and took him to the jail at Vinita. It is alleged that the cousin of the defendant visited him while in jail there and told him that a warrant had been issued for him and that he was to be prosecuted for seduction and that he would be sent to the penitentiary for fifteen years unless he married the girl. Out of fear that the threat would be carried out he finally consented to the marriage and the ceremony was performed by a justice of the peace in the presence of officers.

The plaintiff claims that he and the defendant have never lived together and that they have since been man and wife in name only. The defendant lives at Hollow, Craig county, Okla. This is said to be the first case of the kind ever filed in the district court.

"Coffeyville (KS) Daily Journal" Wednesday 2 May 1917 p 2 -
<https://www.newspapers.com/image/58516635/>

force, on grounds of abandonment.
 Van Lewvan & Keith, attorneys for Arthur Berry, has commenced suit for divorce from Bessie Berry on grounds of fraud and forced marriage.

"South Kansas Tribune" (Independence KS) Wednesday 9 May 1917 p 4

(First published in The Weekly Journal May 10, 1917)

In the district court of Montgomery county, Kansas.

Arthur Berry, plaintiff, vs. Bessie Berry, defendant.

To Bessie Berry, the above named defendant:

You are hereby notified that you have been sued for a divorce, in said district court of Montgomery county, Kansas, in the above entitled case, in which Arthur Berry is plaintiff, and you are defendant, and that you must answer the petition filed by said plaintiff on or before the 22nd day of June, 1917, or said petition will be taken as true, and judgment will be rendered, cancelling and annulling the marriage contract heretofore entered into between you and the plaintiff, and all proper relief.

Dated this 7th day of May, 1917.

VAN LEUVEN & KEITH,

Attorneys for Plaintiff.

"Coffeyville (KS) Weekly Journal" Thursday 24 May 1917 p 3

This has been divorce day in the district court. A. M. Barker was granted a divorce from Ollie Barker. Arthur Berry was granted a divorce from Bessie Berry, and Florence McCartney from W. E. McCartney. This afternoon testimony is being taken in the divorce case of Buster versus Buster. There are a number of witnesses called and it is thought the entire afternoon will be taken up with this case.

"Independence (KS) Daily Reporter" Saturday 7 Jul 1917 p 5

Arthur Berry vs. Bessie Berry, divorce granted plaintiff.

"Elk City (KS) Sun" Friday 13 Jul 1917 p 4

Father:



George Washington Berry – Find A Grave 147011340

George Berry Will Be Buried At Lawn View

**Former County Resident
Dies at Daughter's
Home in Edmond Sunday**

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Newton chapel for George M. Berry, who died Sunday at 3:05 p. m. in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Laura Kemnitz, in Edmond.

Berry, who was born October 25, 1861, in Wanogue, N. J., and later lived in Chicago, Ill., came to Noble county in 1905.

He made his home eight miles southwest of Perry until his wife died in 1935. Since then he has made his home with his sons, Chester of Norman and Lester of Gage.

He is survived by the daughter and two sons, eight grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

Burial will be in Lawn View cemetery, southeast of Perry.

Obituary of George Berry - "Perry (OK) Daily Journal & the Perry Republican & the Noble County Sentinel" Monday 9 Aug 1943 p 1

Perry Resident Dies At Daughter's Home

PERRY—Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Newton chapel for George M. Berry, who died Sunday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Laura Kemnitz, Edmond.

Berry, born Oct. 25, 1861, in Wagonue, N. J., later lived in Chicago and came to Noble county in 1905. Burial was in the Lawn View cemetery, southeast of Perry.

"Ponca City (OK) News" Tuesday 10 Aug 1943 p 3

George Washington Berry

Death • Oklahoma, Noble County, Parker Funeral Home, Funeral Records, 1908-1982

Name	George Washington Berry
Sex	Male
Age	81 years
Birth Date	1861
Birthplace	Wanogul, N J
Event Type	Death
Event Date	5 August 1943 ▼
Event Place	Perry, Noble, Oklahoma, United States
Event Place (Original)	Edmond, Ok

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Bureau of the Census		FUNERAL REGISTER		145	
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		State File No. _____		Registrar's No. _____	
1. PLACE OF DEATH:			2. USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED:		
(a) County <u>Del.</u>			(a) State _____ (b) County _____		
(b) City or town <u>Edmund</u> (If outside city or town limits, write RURAL.)			(c) City or town _____ (If outside city or town limits, write RURAL.)		
(c) Name of hospital or institution: _____			(d) Street No. _____ (If rural, give location)		
(d) Length of stay: In hospital or institution _____ (If not in hospital or institution, write street number or location)			(e) If foreign born, how long in U. S. A.? _____ years.		
In this community _____ (Specify whether years, months or days)					
3 (a) FULL NAME <u>George Washington Perry</u>			MEDICAL CERTIFICATION		
(b) If veteran, name war <u>NO</u>			20. Date of death: Month <u>Aug</u> day <u>5</u> year <u>1943</u> hour <u>03</u> minute <u>05</u>		
(c) Social Security No. <u>NO</u>			21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from _____ 19____ to _____ 19____; that I last saw h. _____ alive on _____ 19____; and that death occurred on the date and hour stated above.		
4. Sex <u>M</u> 5. Color or race <u>W</u> 6 (a) Single, widowed, married, divorced _____			Immediate cause of death <u>Cerebral hemorrhage</u>		
6 (b) Name of husband or wife _____ 6 (c) Age of husband or wife if alive _____ years			Due to _____		
7. Birth date of deceased: <u>Mar</u> <u>25</u> - <u>1861</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)			Due to _____		
8. AGE: Years Months Days If less than one day			Other conditions: _____ (Include pregnancy within 3 months of death)		
<u>81</u> <u>9</u> <u>13</u> hr. _____ min. _____			Major findings: _____ Of operations _____		
9. Birthplace <u>Warren, N.Y.</u> (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)			Of autopsy _____		
10. Usual occupation _____			22. If death was due to external causes, fill in the following:		
11. Industry or business _____			(a) Accident, suicide, or homicide (specify) _____		
12. Name _____					
13. Birthplace (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)					
14. Maiden name _____					
15. Birthplace (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)					
16 (a) Informant's own signature <u>Mrs Laure Kennedy</u>					
(b) Address <u>Edmund Ave</u>					
17 (a) <u>Smith</u> (b) Date thereof <u>8-8-43</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)					

17 (a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f) (g) (h) (i) (j) (k) (l) (m) (n) (o) (p) (q) (r) (s) (t) (u) (v) (w) (x) (y) (z)		(b) Date of occurrence	
(c) Place: burial or cremation		(c) Where did injury occur?	
18 (a) Signature of funeral director		(City or town) (County) (State)	
(b) Address		(d) Did injury occur in or about home, on farm, in industrial place, in public place?	
19 (a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f) (g) (h) (i) (j) (k) (l) (m) (n) (o) (p) (q) (r) (s) (t) (u) (v) (w) (x) (y) (z)		(Specify type of place) (e) Means of injury	
(Date received local registrar) (Registrar's signature)		21. Signature (M.D. or other) Date signed	

	AMOUNT	DATE	PAYMENTS	AMOUNT
Removal of Body				
Embalming and Attendance	+			
Casket & Service	26500			
Steel Vault	15000			
Outside Box				
Burial Robe	272			
Autos at \$				
Flowers				
Hearse to Elwood	1000			
Clergyman	70			
Singers	500			
Death notices in Papers				
Outlay for Lot				
Opening Grave	2000			
Lining Grave				
Shipping charges, prepaid				
Sales Tax			835	
Total amount of bill			46177	

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:81NY-WZ6Z>

Mother:



Anna Eliza Hicken Berry – Find A Grave 147011290

MRS. GEORGE W. BERRY

Anna Eliza Hicken was born Feb. 11th, 1860, near Duplainsville, Wisconsin. She was united in marriage to George W. Berry September 24th, 1889, at Chicago, Illinois.

Four children were born, Chester H. Berry of Norman, Oklahoma, Lester H. Berry of Gage, Oklahoma, Arthur G. Berry of Perry, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Laura A. Kemnitz of Edmond, Oklahoma. There are eight grandchildren and one great-grandson.

She has one sister and two brothers living, Mrs. Mary Sackett of Mustang, Oklahoma, John Hicken of Mustang, Oklahoma, and Barney Hicken of Plymouth, Wisconsin.

Mrs. Berry was a member for many years of the First Baptist Church of Waukesha, Wisconsin. At the time of her death she was a member of the Lawnview Congregational Church.

She moved from Wisconsin to their farm north of Orlando in April, 1905. Here she died at the age of 75 years, two months and seven days.

Funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church of Perry at 2:30 p. m. Easter Sunday, April 21st, 1935 with Rev. David Thomas in charge. Burial was made at the Lawnview Cemetery near her home.

Obituary of mother - "Perry (OK) Daily Journal & the Perry Republican & the Noble County Sentinel" Monday 29 Apr 1935 p 3

Cook County, Illinois, Marriages Index, 1871-1920

[View record](#)

Name	George W. Berry
Age	28
Gender	Male
Birth Year	abt 1861
Marriage Type	Marriage
Marriage Date	24 Sep 1889
Marriage Place	Chicago, Cook, Illinois
Spouse Name	Annie E. Hicken
Spouse Age	28
Spouse Gender	Female
FHL Film Number	1030185

<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/12170934/person/-320739089/facts>

Name	Anna Eleza Berry
Sex	Female
Age	75 years
Birth Date	1860
Birthplace	Duplaneville, Wis
Father's Name	Henry Hicken
Father's Sex	Male
Mother's Name	Lylis Corbett
Mother's Sex	Female
Spouse's Name	G W Berry
Event Type	Death
Event Date	18 April 1935
Event Place	Perry, Noble, Oklahoma, United States
Event Place (Original)	Love, Noble, Oklahoma

FUNERAL REGISTER

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1 PLACE OF DEATH
 County Notli State Ophi Registered No. _____
 City, Village or Township Leve Street and No. _____ Ward _____
 (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its name instead of street and number)
 2 FULL NAME Anna Eliza Berry
 (a) Residence No. 5 Ward _____ (If nonresident give city or town and state)
 (Usual place of abode)
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred 20 yrs. mos. ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS				MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH				
3 SEX <u>Female</u>	4 COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	5 Single, Married, Widowed, or Divorced (write the word) <u>Married</u>		16 DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <u>April 18, 1925</u>				
1a If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of _____ (or) WIFE of <u>E. W. Berry</u>				17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from _____, 19____, to _____, 19____, that I last saw him alive on <u>3-8</u> , 19 <u>25</u> , and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____.				
6 DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) <u>Feb 11 - 1860</u>				THE CAUSE OF DEATH *was as follows: <u>Acute Heart Attack</u>				
7 AGE <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="border: 1px solid black; width: 33%;">Years <u>75</u></td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; width: 33%;">Months <u>2</u></td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; width: 33%;">Days <u>7</u></td> </tr> </table>				Years <u>75</u>	Months <u>2</u>	Days <u>7</u>		
Years <u>75</u>	Months <u>2</u>	Days <u>7</u>						
8 OCCUPATIONS OF DECEASED (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work <u>Housewife</u> (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) (c) Name of employer								
9 BIRTHPLACE (city or town) <u>Dyslanewell Wis</u> (State or country)				CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) _____ (duration) _____ yrs. mos. ds.				
PARENTS	10 NAME OF FATHER <u>Henry Hickin</u>			18 Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? _____				
	11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (city or town) (State or country) <u>Germany</u>			Did an operation precede death? _____ Date _____				
	12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Lydia Carditt</u>			Was there an autopsy? _____				
	13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (city or town) _____			What test confirmed diagnosis? (Signed) <u>E. H. James</u> , M. D.				

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (city or town) (State or country) <u>N.Y.</u>		(Signed) <u>S. H. Gurneo</u> M. D. , 19 (Address) <u>Lucien Okla.</u>	
14 Informant <u>Charles Berry</u> (Address) <u>Norman Okla.</u>		19 Place of Burial, Cremation or Removal <u>Lawn View</u> Date of Burial <u>April 21-35</u>	
15		20 UNDERTAKER <u>Christoph & Newton</u> Address <u>Berry Okla.</u>	

	AMOUNT	DATE	PAYMENTS	AMOUNT
Removal of Body		<u>April 22 35</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>200 00</u>
Embalming and Attendance	<u>150 00</u>	<u>April 26 11</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>79 83</u>
Casket	<u>1500 00</u>			
Steel Vault <u>Trup</u>	<u>750 00</u>			
Outside Box				
Burial Robe	<u>750</u>			
Autos at \$				
Flowers				
Hearse	<u>1500</u>			
Clergyman				
Singers				
Death notices in Papers				
Outlay for Lot				
Opening Grave	<u>1500</u>			
Lining Grave				
Shipping charges, prepaid				
<u>Day</u>	<u>233</u>			
Total amount of bill	<u>2798 3</u>			<u>279 83</u>

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C34X-IS7G?view=index&personArk=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3A81L3-L5T2&action=view>

Siblings:



Brother Lester Hicken Berry (1891-1971) – Find A Grave 34328733

Obituary

Lester H. Berry 1891-1964

Lester H. Berry, son of George and Anna Berry, was born March 18, 1891, at Waukesha, Wisconsin, and departed this life December 31, 1964 at his home in Gage, Oklahoma.

His boyhood was spent with his family, a twin brother; Chester; a brother Arthur, who preceded him in death, and a sister, Laura. They lived in Waukesha, Wisc.; Hagerman, New Mexico and in Perry, Okla. Lester accepted Christ at an early age and was baptised into the Baptist Church at Waukesha. His faith was very real and was his guide for living throughout his life.

His first employment was with the Post Office in Oklahoma City. While there he was united in marriage to Ida Harman of Perry, Okla. The couple had one daughter, Ruth Anna Foster of Sidney, Nebraska. Death separated this union after four years.

In 1917 Lester enlisted in the signal corps of the Army and served in the French theater. Upon discharge from the armed service, he was again employed by the post office and worked in Oklahoma City. While there, he met Hazel Williams and they were married October 5, 1921. They moved to the Gage Community in 1923. Three children were born to them: Geo. Truitt, of Niagara Falls, New York, Marilyn Alice Riley, of Beaver, Oklahoma, and Robert Eugene of Gage. The most of Mr. Berry's life was spent in this community where he was engaged in farming.

He was active in the Baptist

He was active in the Baptist Church. He served as chairman of deacons, the building committee, and was teacher of the men's class, and numerous other activities. He worked tirelessly to promote the program of his church.

He was interested in people. He was interested in civic affairs and has served on the Soil Conservation Board of Ellis County, The School Board of Gage and also the town board. He was a member of the Rotary Club and American Legion.

He is survived by his wife, Hazel, the four children, a brother and sister, nine grandchildren and numbers upon numbers of friends.

Obituary of Lester Hicken Berry – "Ellis County Capital" (Arnett OK) Thursday 6 Jan 1965 p 6

CHESTER H. BERRY

NORMAN—Services for Chester H. Berry, 80, Norman, will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Primrose Funeral Home, with burial in the Norman IOOF Cemetery. Berry died Wednesday at Norman Municipal Hospital.

A native of Waukesha, Wis., he came to Oklahoma in 1922, settling at Perry. He had lived in Norman since 1931. He was a retired telegraph operator for Santa Fe Railway. He was a member of the Newkirk Masonic Lodge and the First Presbyterian Church, Norman.

Survivors include his wife, Molly; a son, Ralph, West Hartford, Conn.; a sister, Mrs. Laura Kemistry, Baldwin Park, Calif., and one grandson, Chester, serving in the armed forces in Germany.

Obituary of *brother Chester Hicken Berry (1891-1971)* – “Daily Oklahoman” (Oklahoma City OK) Friday 3 Dec 1971 p 6

Mr. Ray Snyder also called on Mrs. Laura Kemnitz at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Berry, Tuesday.
Geo. Berry has been on the sick list.

Sister Laura Berry Kemnitz (1896-1975) - “Perry (OK) Republican” Thursday 9 Mar 1922 p 8

Geo Berry

Mentioned in the Record of [Laura Kemnitz](#) (Geo Berry's Child)

Death • Oklahoma, Noble County, Parker Funeral Home, Funeral Records, 1908-1982

Name	Laura Kemnitz	
Age	79 years	
Birth Date	1896	▼
Birthplace	Hagerman, New Mexico	
Father's Name	Geo Berry	
Father's Sex	Male	
Mother's Name	Anna Hicken	
Mother's Sex	Female	
Spouse's Name	Carl Kemnitz	
Event Type	Death	
Event Date	21 October 1975	▼
Event Place	Perry, Noble, Oklahoma, United States	
Event Place (Original)	Perry, Oklahoma	
Certificate Number	1145	

TAKE WATCH & BRACLET OFF AFTER SERVICE

Name LAURA Kemnitz Entry No. 1145
 Address 817 Myrtle DR - Edmond, Okla Social Security No. 442-05-70800
 INFORMANT FOR D/C & S. S. _____ Address Edmond 73034
 Day, Hour and Place of Death 11:30 PM Tuesday Oct 21 - 1975
PERRY MEMORIAL Hospital
 Date of Birth Aug 31 - 1896 Birthplace New Mexico Age 79-1-20
 Cause of Death _____ Certifying Physician DR. CHAS. MURFEN
 When Married May 30 - 1918 To Whom CARL Kemnitz (Sep. 14 - 1958)
 Where Married PERRY Usual Occupation _____
 Usual Residence Edmond MOVED TO CALIF. AROUND 1953 War Record None in Edmond + Calif since
 When Came to this Country RAISED ON FARM Public Offices _____
S OF PERRY LIVED ON FARM S. OF PERRY. LIVED ON FARM IN LUCIEN
AFTER MARRIED MOVED TO
 Church Affiliation Christian Church Lodges _____
 Other Affiliations, Schooling _____
 Place and Time of Services 10:30 A.M. Oct. 24 1975 Broken Chapel Fri.
OK Minister in Charge Rev. Bill Reese Wichita Rosary (Time and Place) _____
 Final Resting Place Grace Hill Cemetery
 Fathers Name Geo. Berry Mother's Name (Maiden) Anna Hickoy

Name (CARLITA) WALTERS SURVIORS 215-1074 phone 336-4588
 Address 341-2282 Relation Daughter
MRS. PAUL B. WALTERS EDMOND
MRS. FRANK (ARLENE) FLYNN BALDWIN PARK, CALIF.
SON VERRIL KEMNITZ PRECEDED HER 1975
5 GRANDSONS

MEMORIAL FUND EDMOND, OKLA.

Southern Hills Christian Carl Maxwell Minister
3207 S Blvd of Edmond Church
73034

CASKET BEARERS	
Active	Honorary
1. Earl Nicewander 4772	1. PAUL WALTERS JR. 12
2. Vernon Nicewander - Former 341-7865	2. RUTH J. KENNEDY
3. Philip Nicewander - Tulsa 582-8128	3. GARY KENNEDY
4. LER - 3756 WARE	4. RALPH BERRY 329-5372
5. Don Kennedy - O.C. 681-6213	5. _____
6. Bob Berry - Gage 925-3007	6. _____
Local Paper notified of casket bearers O.K.	Clergyman Report O.K.
Music Selections OLD RAGGED CROSS	Folder Order O.K.
In the Garden	Newspaper O.K. ORLA. OR Perry acc. but minister
Soloist O.K. Vern Sean Nicewander 836-1420/340	Outside Container GOLD MONTEGELLO
Organist O.K. SARAH KENNEDY	WILBERT O.K.
Casket Flowers They arrange	Grave arranged for O.K.
No. Bt./Noone	Casket Manufacturer MAJOR
Flower Service	Color WAVERLY, WHITE/PINK ROSE
Memorial Fund First Christian Church Edna	Color WAVERLY, WHITE/PINK ROSE
Marker NO	SINS
Social Security Report 721-10-22-1975	Invoice _____ Date _____
Veteran Papers	Cost 972545078
Veteran Death certificate applied for	Book Complete
Death Certificate O.K.	Minister arranged for O.K.
To Doctor 10-22-75 Filed 10-29-75	
Memorials #48 mailed 10-27-75	

ACCOUNT	
Casket and Service #	1473.00
VAULT	318.00
OPEN GRAVE	65.00
MUSIC	5.00
SALES TAX	31.23
	21892.23
Amount of Discount and Date	74-11-22-75

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C34X-JW47?view=index&personArk=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3ADMWZ-M12M&action=view>

Mrs. Laura Kemnitz left Gage Tuesday for Long Beach, Calif after several days visit with her brother, L. H. Berry and Mrs. Berry.

Laura Berry Kemnitz - "Gage (OK) Record" Thursday 6 Nov 1958 p 1

CARL L. KEMNITZ
PERRY — Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Newton chapel for Carl L. Kemnitz, 64, former Perry area oil field worker, who died Thursday in a veterans hospital in Long Beach, Calif.
 Kemnitz was born in Nebraska but was reared in this community. He was a veteran of World war I.
 Surviving are his wife, Laura, of the home; two daughters, including Mrs. Paul Walters, Chickasha; a son; three sisters, including Mrs. Emma Nicewander and Miss Dora Kemnitz, both of Perry; and Fred Kemnitz, Guthrie; and three grandsons.

Carl L. Kemnitz, husband of Laura Berry Kemnitz - "Daily Oklahoman" (Oklahoma City OK) Wednesday 16 Jul 1958 p 42

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Arthur George Berry

Name variations:

Military:

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

Serial number: 251,376

Entered service from: Orlando, Logan OK

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Arthur G. Berry

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father George W. Berry, RFD 2, Orlando OK

Returned from war on: on "Virginian" Jul 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Arthur G. Berry

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father George K. Berry, Orlanda (sic) OK (cpl, Co. K, 23rd Inf)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Arthur G. Berry - b. 1 Jul 1894 Waukesha WI; res: RFD #5, Orlando OK. Single. Laborer, Parkersburg Land & Reel Co. in Eldorado KS. Medium height & build. Card is not dated.

World War II draft registration (1942): as Arthur George Berry - b. 1 Jul 1894 Waukesha WI; res: 124 W. Linn, in care of C.H. Berry, Cleveland, Norman OK. Mailing address: General Delivery, Oklahoma City OK. NOK C.H. Berry, 124 W. Linn, Norman. Not employed.

“Shrapnel mark on l. hand from last war” Height: 5’8” – 160 lbs. Card dated 25 Apr 1942; he died 18 Jul 1942.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 3 Oct 1917

Discharged 19 Sep 1919

Address: Orlando OK

Rank/unit: corporal, Co. K, 23rd Infantry

Birth & death:

Born: 1 Jul 1893 (Find A Grave & veteran headstone application, with '94 crossed through)
OR 1 Jul 1894 (WWI & WWII draft registrations, OK school censuses 1912 & 1913, obituary, LA death record, Noble Co. OK funeral record, & Veterans Administration Military Index)
 Waukesha, Waukesha WI

Died: 18 Jul 1942 New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA (having moved there 3 weeks previously, of pneumonia)

Find A Grave record: 147011454 - presence on Tuscania noted in flower

Burial location: Lucien, Noble OK

Cemetery: Lawnview

Tombstone: veteran flat - Oklahoma CPL Co K 23 Inf WWI

Father: George Washington Berry, 25 Oct 1861 Pompton or Wanaque, both in Passaic Co. NJ – 8 Aug 1943 Edmond, Oklahoma Co. OK (at the home of his daughter Laura).

The family lived in Waukesha Co. WI -Hagerman, Chaves NM - and Chicago, Cook IL. They moved to Noble Co. OK in 1905, settling 5 miles west & 3 miles south of Perry, Noble OK. In 1930 George & Anna lived in Lowe, Noble Co. OK. In 1940, he was a widower living in Gage, Ellis OK.

Died of a cerebral hemorrhage. His OK funeral record leaves his parents' information blank.

Buried in Lawnview Cemetery, Lucien, Noble OK.

Find A Grave: 147011340

Mother: Anna Eliza Hicken Berry, 11 Feb 1860 Pewaukee, Waukesha WI – 18 Apr 1935 Noble Co. OK. Listed as “Higgins” on the birth records of Chester, Lester & Laura [could not locate Arthur's].

Daughter of Henry John Hicken b. Germany 1833/1834 – 1900 Chicago, Cook IL, Civil War veteran, Co. F, 27th WI Infantry, F: 91617340 ^ Lydia Ann Corbett Hicken (1833 NY – 1886 WI), F: 91617120. Her parents married 27 Nov 1853 in Pewaukee WI.

Buried in Lawnview Cemetery, Lucien, Noble OK.

Find A Grave: 147011290

Parents' marriage: 24 Sep 1889 Chicago, Cook IL

Spouse:

Spouse Find A Grave:

Children:

Siblings:

- Chester Hicken Berry, 18 Mar 1891 Waukesha Co. WI – 1 Dec 1971 Norman, Cleveland OK. Twin brother of Lester Berry. Chester is listed before Lester in the 1900 & 1910 censuses – so presumably the older twin? Santa Fe Railway employee in Norman OK. – Married in 1915 to Mollie Mae Snyder (1896-1990, F: 34329141). Obituary: “Daily Oklahoman” 3 Dec 1971 p 6 – funeral for Chester, age 80, of Norman OK on 6 Dec, with burial in Norman IOOF Cemetery. Died 1 Dec 1971 in Norman. Came to OK in 1922, settling at Perry. Had lived in Norman since 1931. Retired telegraph operator, Santa Fe Railway. Survived by sister Mrs. Laura Kemistry [sic] of Baldwin Park CA. Buried in IOOF Cemetery, Norman, Cleveland OK. F: 34328731.
- Lester Hicken Berry, 18 Mar 1891 Waukesha Co. WI – 31 Dec 1964 Gage, Ellis OK. Twin brother of Chester Berry. Lester is listed after Chester in the 1900 & 1910 censuses – so presumably the younger twin? – Married to Ida Harmon (1893-1916, F: 147011422) in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Co. OK; she died 4 years after their marriage. – Married on 5 Oct 1921 to Hazel A. Williams (1897-1990, F: 72110324); they had 3 children. - Tombstone: Wisconsin - WWI, Co. A, 323rd Field Signal Bn. Buried in Gage Memorial Cemetery, Gage, Ellis OK. F: 72110315
- Laura A. Berry Kemnitz, 31 Aug 1896 NM – 21 Oct 1975 Perry, Noble OK. Married 29 May 1918 Noble Co. OK to C.L. [Carl Ludwig] Kemnitz (1894-1958, F: 38455501). In 1930, C.L. & Laura lived in Perry, Noble OK. In 1940, they lived in Edmond City OK. Laura was living in Long Beach CA in Nov 1958 when she visited her brother Lester in Gage OK. She lived in Baldwin Park CA in Dec 1971 when her brother Chester died. – Laura Kemnitz is buried in Grace Hill Cemetery, Perry, Noble OK. F: 38455528

Notes:

Wartime:

Landed on isle of Islay, Scotland, in a lifeboat. Details in letter that appeared in “Perry (OK) Republican” 21 Mar 1918, copied above,

Post-war:

Obituary:

Social Security Number: 442-05-8590

Censuses:

1900 Waukesha, Waukesha WI – 309 North St.

George Berry, 39 NJ, Oct 1861, parents b. NJ, married 10 years, engineer, stationary
Anna, 40 WI, Feb 1860, father b. Germany, mother b. NY, gave birth to 4 children, 4 are living

Chester H., 9 WI, Mar 1891, at school [twin]

Lester H., 9 WI, Mar 1891, at school [twin]

Arthur G., 5 WI, Jul 1894, at school

Laura A., 3 NM, Jul 1869

And female servant Mary Hicken, 30 WI, Jul 1869, parents b. Germany, single

1910 Lowe, Noble OK

George W. Berry, 48 NJ, parents b. NJ, in 1st marriage, married 20 years, farmer, general farming

Anna E., 50 WI, father b. Germany, mother b. NY in 1st marriage, gave birth to 4 children, 4 are living

Chester H., 19 WI, work on home farm

Lester H., 19 WI, work on home farm

Arthur G., 15 WI, work on home farm

Laura A., 13 NM, work on home farm

The next census entry is for the family of Charley & Rikey Kemnitz, who have a son Carl F. Kemnitz, age 15, b. NE – who marries Laura Berry.

1915 Elk Falls, Elk KS – line 12

A.G. Berry, 20 WI, employed at the lime plant, moved to KS from OK, boarder

1920 Lowe, Noble OK

George W. Berry, 58 NJ, parents b. NJ, farmer, farm

Anna E., 59 WI, father b. Germany, mother b. NY

Arthur G., 25 WI, father b. NJ, mother b. WI

1930 cannot locate

1940 cannot locate

1950 deceased