

# TUSCANIA

**Taylor, Ralph George**  
**1894 KS – 1961 OK**

## Services Saturday For Ralph Taylor

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Saturday for Ralph G. Taylor, 205 South Peachtree, who died Wednesday evening in the Veterans Hospital at Oklahoma City. He was 67.

The Rev. Leland Young will officiate at services in the Evangelical United Brethren Church. Burial will be in the Christus Garden of Sunset Memorial Gardens under direction of E. M. Trout and Sons Funeral Home.

Taylor, a veteran of World War I, had been a resident of Ponca City since 1943 and was employed as a baker by Howe Baking Co.

He is survived by his wife; a son, Sr. M/Sgt. Ralph J. Taylor, Tyndall Air Force Base, Panama City, Fla.; one daughter, Mrs. Arlene Hall, Joliet, Ill.; two brothers, O. E. Taylor of Wichita and Bill Taylor, Gunnison, Colo.; two sisters, Mrs. Elsie Westling, Wichita, and Mrs. Geneva Craig, Lamont; and four grandchildren.

Active pallbearers will be Raymond Berry, D. O. Colvin, Marvin Manering, Paul Holcomb, Russell Allen and Perry Vanderslice.

Honorary pallbearers are John Howe, Virgil McBride, Robert Garich, Lyman Norris, Lionel Teufel, Robert Whitaker, Joe Struckle and tElmer Long.

Obituary of Ralph George Taylor – "Ponca City (OK) News" Friday 29 Sep 1961 p 7

**TAYLOR—Ralph G. Age 66. Services & burial in charge of the Trout Funeral Home, Ponca City. Local arrangements, by Smith & Kernke.**

"Daily Oklahoman" (Oklahoma City OK) Friday 29 Sep 1961 p 41

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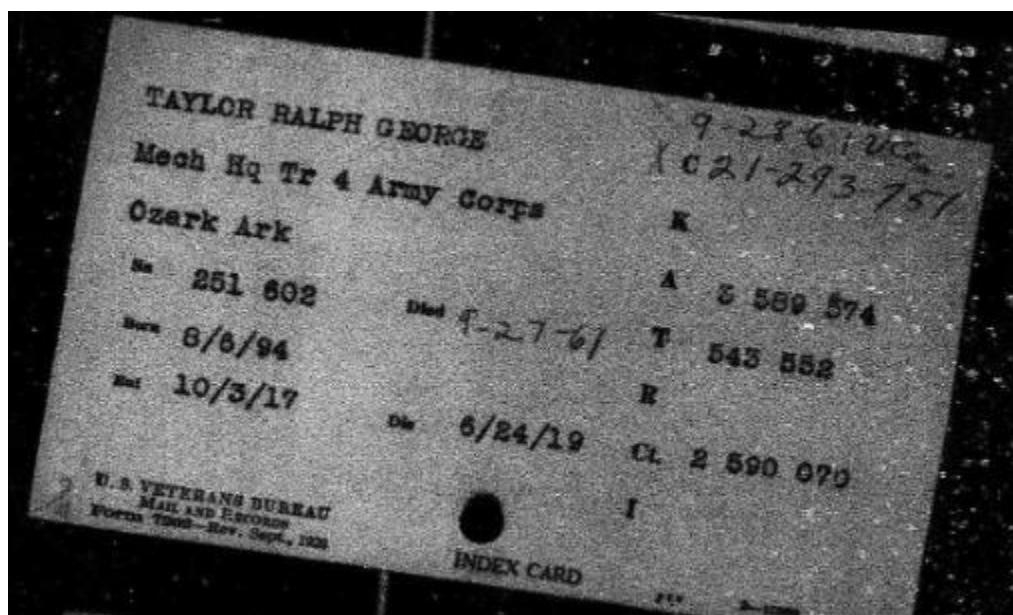
204 Mech Hq Trp 4 Army Corps/WWI

ORIGINAL

1. NAME OF DECEASED—LAST—FIRST—MIDDLE (Print or type) <b>TAYLOR, Ralph Geooge</b>			APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE OR MARKER (See attached instructions. Complete and submit original and duplicate)		
2. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, Day, Year) <b>Oct 3rd, 1917</b>		3. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, Day, Year) <b>June 24th, 1919</b>		12. EMBLEM (Check one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CHRISTIAN (Latin Cross) <input type="checkbox"/> HEBREW (Star of David) <input type="checkbox"/> NONE	
4. SERVICE NO. <b>251 602</b>		5. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NO. <b>C 2129 37 51</b>		13. CHECK TYPE REQUIRED <input type="checkbox"/> UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE <input type="checkbox"/> FLAT MARBLE MARKER <input type="checkbox"/> FLAT GRANITE MARKER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FLAT BRONZE MARKER	
6. STATE <b>Oklahoma</b>		7. GRADE <b>Mech</b>		8. MEDALS	
9. BRANCH OF SERVICE, COMPANY, REGIMENT, AND DIVISION OR SHIP <b>Hq Troop 4 Army Corps Army. Hq 4th Trp Army</b>			14. SHIP TO (Name and address of person who will transport stone or marker to cemetery) <b>Okl. Sunset Memorial Garden. Ponca City,</b>		
10. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year) <b>Aug 6th, 1894</b>			11. DATE OF DEATH (Month, Day, Year) <b>Sept 27th, 1961</b>		
15. FREIGHT STATION <b>Ponca City, Oklahoma</b>			16. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (City and State) <b>Okl. Sunset Memorial Garder. Ponca City,</b>		
17. THE APPLICANT FOR THIS STONE OR MARKER HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH ME TO TRANSPORT SAME TO THE CEMETERY. SIGNATURE <b>Marie Springer</b> DATE <b>10/20/61</b>			18. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Print or type) <b>Ponca City Mrs Lura M. Taylor. 205 So Peachtree. Okla.</b>		
DO NOT WRITE HERE RECEIVED JAMES H. MONTGOMERY 2901961 VERIFIED PITTSBURGH, PA. B/L 5810 ORDERED NOV 22 1961			19. 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, soldiers of Union and Confederate Armies of the Civil War. I hereby agree to accept responsibility for properly placing the stone or marker at the grave at no expense to the Government. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT <b>Lura M. Taylor</b> DATE <b>10/20/61</b>		

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Life:

**OFFICIAL REPORT  
OF LOCAL BOARD**

The following are the men who passed the physical examination and did not claim exemption on account of dependent relatives. Some of them are claiming no exemption at all, and the others are making their claims on other grounds.

Ralph G. Taylor, Blackwell.

"Newkirk (OK) Republican News-Journal" Friday 24 Aug 1917 p 1

A LIST OF PERSONS, CERTIFIED  
FROM THE DISTRICT BOARD  
TO THE LOCAL BOARD, OF  
KAY COUNTY FOR MILITARY  
SERVICE.

Ralph G. Taylor, Blackwell.

"Newkirk (OK) Republican News-Journal" Friday 2 Sep 1917 p 3

Ralph Taylor of Caldwell, Kan., a nephew of Joe Helsel's, was one of the survivors of the Tuscania disaster. He enlisted from Blackwell, Oklahoma.

"Pratt (KS) Daily Tribune" Tuesday 12 Feb 1918 p 4

## MANY KANSANS ON TUSCANIA

List of Soldiers on Board Vessel Sunk  
by Submarine Given Out  
by Officials.

Washington, Feb. 8.—A list of the soldiers on the Tuscania was made public by the committee of public information tonight. It contains these names:

Charles E. Hetrick, captain, Twentieth Engineers; mother, Mrs. Anna Hetrick, Lecompton, Kan.

Luther Hibbard, private, Twentieth Engineers; father, Herman Hibbard, Crawford, Kan.

Paul H. Marshal, private, Twentieth Engineers; brother, Frank Marshal, Weir, Kan.

James J. Willis, private, Twentieth Engineers; mother, Mrs. Kate Willis, Caney, Kan.

Henry C. Stinson, private 20th Engineers; mother, Mrs. Anna Stinson, Smith Center, Kan.

Homer J. Clements, private, 20th Engineers; mother, Mrs. Elizabeth J. Clements, Sun City, Kan.

L. E. Babcock, private, 20th Engineers; mother, Mrs. L. S. Babcock, Walnut, Kan.

Harry J. Cole, private, 20th Engineers; mother, Mrs. Lizzie P. Cole, Emporia, Kan.

William VanLandingham, private, 100th Aero Squadron; half sister, Jennie Coesland, Haven, Kan.

Albert A. Bennie, private, Company F, 357th Infantry; aunt, Mrs. Annie Cole, Washington, Kan.

Ralph G. Taylor, private, Company E, 357th Infantry; father, William Taylor, Caldwell, Kan.

Millard Brooks, private, 100th Aero Squadron; father, Isaac Brooks, Brunet, Mo.

[list continues]

"Hennessy (OK) Clipper" Friday 14 Feb 1918



### **A Survivor of the Tuscania**

Relatives here have received word stating that Ralph G. Taylor, a former Stafford boy, but whose home for the past few years has been at Caldwell, Kas., was one of the survivors of the Tuscania that was destroyed last week. Many here will remember him. He is a nephew of Mrs. Alice Swinger of this city.

"Stafford (KS) Courier" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 6

### **A Survivor**

The report that Ralph Taylor, who was aboard the Tuscania sunk off the Irish coast last Tuesday night, was among the missing Oklahoma boys, is untrue. It is said that his name appears in an out of town paper in the list of survivors.

"Blackwell (OK) Weekly Sun" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 3

Frank Helfel of the McPherson Feed Store received a telegram this morning that his nephew Ralph Taylor of Caldwell who was one of the "Sammies" on board the ill-fated Tuscania had been saved.

Frank HELSEL – "McPherson (KS) Weekly Republican" Friday 22 Feb 1918 p 3

### **School Notes**

It might be interesting to some of the people of Cleo to know that Ralph Taylor was one of the survivors of the Tuscania.

"Major County Chieftain" (Cleo OK) Friday 22 Mar 1918 p 10





### From Ralph Taylor.

Luxemburg, Nov. 27, 1918.

Dear Folks: Thought I had better write and let you know that I am still alive and where I am. Well, I am in the colony of Luxemburg not far from Germany and we expect to be there before long. We left France a little over a week ago. A small village not far from Toul and believe me, I have seen some sights. We moved about five times in one week, so you know it kept me on the jump.

In some of the villages was hardly a building left standing. One can't imagine what war is until they see it. I will certainly have something to tell when I get back. Can't hardly wait until the time comes for me to start. One good thing, I know the war is over and when my time comes, and another thing I won't have to worry about subs—for I don't care for any more of those swims. That was the worst experience I had. I thought my time was up for a while but good luck came my way. The

aviators dropped some bombs close to me once or twice, but I had a chance to run then. Ha! ha!

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Well, tomorrow is Thanksgiving and I am going to have lots of work. The officers will have turkey, pie and cake, and I don't know just what else I will fix, but that won't be such a bad dinner. I sure made a fine cake for supper tonight, and everybody thought it was great. I make pie and cake every day if we are not moving. Now I don't know much to write so will close. If you don't hear

from me in a week or so you will know that I am busy moving. But will write as soon as I can. Now I will close. Give my best regards to everybody. With lots of love.

Your son,

RALPH TAYLOR,  
Hqt. Troops, 4th Army Corps,  
Am. Ex. Forces.

### Letters from Ralph Taylor

The following letters are from Ralph Taylor, a grandson of the late "Uncle Bobby" Taylor. Ralph is quite well known in the southwest part of the county.

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Your son,

Ralph Taylor.

Cochen, Germany,

Dec. 11, 1918.

Dear Folks:

I received a letter from you today and also got one about a week ago. Am sure glad to hear from you so often. I have certainly been moving some the last three weeks. Stay only about two days in one place but guess we will locate here for a few days anyway. I hope so for it means lots of work to move every day.

This sure is a pretty place. It was at one time a summer resort; nearly all of the buildings are hotels. It is in the mountains and is also on the river Moselle. There was quite a large boat came up this morning. Wish it was after us. Germany is sure a pretty country and the people treat us good. I guess they are glad the war is over. Anyway I am.

Say, you ought to see the hotel my kitchen is in; sure is swell. There isn't anything in Caldwell like it. Will try and get you a picture of it. I am going to send you some pictures right away. Sure some pretty scenery.

Oh yes, and best of all, you ought to see the bed I sleep in; sure is swell.

I will write more often now for a while. I didn't get a chance to write for we moved so often. Write often. With love,

Ralph Taylor.

This repeats the above letter, but adds an introduction explaining Ralph's relatives and another letter written from Germany – "Stafford (KS) Courier" Thursday 16 Jan 1919 p 5

**From Ralph Taylor.**

Beck Luxemburg, Nov. 20, 1918.

I have been very neglectful in writing, but a fellow can hardly write while at the front or on the move. We are chasing the Germans, but not fighting our way. They are evacuating and we are following up. I've certainly had enough of war and foreign countries. I have been in England, France, Belgium and now here, going into Germany.. We were on four different fronts, namely, Alsace Lorraine, Chateau Thierry, Sessions and Argonne Forest.

I haven't the least idea when the combat troops will be going home, but not for some time yet. We were at the front when the armistice was signed and so we had to follow up the Germans to see that they don't start anything. This is Thanksgiving day but we are going to have a common army dinner.

Well, I can say I was lucky not to get hit during the war. I had some close calls, but came out all right. The people of France that were in the German lines and in Belgium were sure glad to see us come through. The towns were all decorated and flying French and American flags. I don't think there is anyone happier than the soldiers that the war is over because we have had so much to contend with. It seems hardly possible that we will be going home soon.—Ralph Taylor.

“Sedan (KS) Times-Star” Thursday 30 Jan 1919 p 1

**Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Taylor, 205 South Peachtree, left during the weekend on a two-week trip to St. Louis, Mo. Taylor is on vacation from Howe's Bakery where he is bakery superintendent.**

“Ponca City (OK) News” Sunday 17 Jul 1955 p 9

James O. Maddox & Belle to  
Ralph G. Taylor & Lura M., L37-  
38 B6, Nonnamaker Heights, Pon-  
ca City.

Deed – “Newkirk (OK) Herald Journal” Thursday 26 Jan 1956 p 6

Wife:

**IOWA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH—DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS**  
**BIRTH CERTIFICATE**

(Explanation)  
In past years many birth records were not filed at the time of birth as provided by statute, due to the neglect of those charged with the duty of filing said record. This affidavit is provided to take care of such cases and may be executed by the attending physician, midwife, parent, nearest relative or other person having full knowledge of the facts of this birth. NOT ACCEPTABLE IF SIGNED BY THE PARTY FOR WHOM IT IS MADE.

**AFFIDAVIT**  
I, William Henry Bates, being duly sworn, depose and say that I am 69 years of age; that I have known the person named herein for 43 years; that I reside at El Dorado in the COUNTY OF Wagon STATE OF Arkansas; that the answers given to the following questions are true and correct as I verily believe.

FULL NAME OF CHILD Lura Miriam Bates  
PLACE OF BIRTH: COUNTY OF Cippenose CITY OF Exline  
TOWNSHIP OF Unknown STREET \_\_\_\_\_

Sex of Child <u>Female</u> (To be answered only in event of plural births)	Twin, triplet, or other	Number in order of birth <u>2nd</u>	Legitimate <u>yes</u>	Date of birth <u>Aug. 25, 1897</u> Month Day Year
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Name of physician, midwife, or other person attending at this birth Grandma Bunker Midwife

**FATHER**  
Full Name William H. Bates  
Birthplace Cutman Co. Missouri  
State or Country Missouri  
Color White  
Age at time of this birth 26 Years  
Occupation at time of this birth Solicitor

**MOTHER**  
Full Maiden Name Mary Edna Rice  
Birthplace Sullivan Co. Mo.  
State or Country Mo.  
Color White  
Age at time of this birth 29 Years  
Occupation at time of this birth Housewife

That the basis of my knowledge for answers given above is as follows:  
I was present at time of birth

(Sign Here) William Henry Bates Father  
Name Wagon Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE OF Arkansas COUNTY, SS.  
On this 30 day of Oct, 1940, before me came William Henry Bates, and makes oath that the information given in this instrument subscribed by him is true and correct as he verily believes.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public in and for \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of \_\_\_\_\_  
My commission expires June 28, 1944  
Filed NOV 1 1940, 19\_\_\_\_\_  
By Thos. M. King (State Registrar)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Director Division of Vital Statistics)

N. B. Any person making a false affidavit will be prosecuted.

IA birth record of Lura Miriam Bates - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/69174:61441>

**Marriage Licenses,**  
August 11  
Ralph G. Taylor, Arkansas City, ....27  
Lura M. Bates, Arkansas City, .....23

"Winfield (KS) Daily Courier" Friday 12 Aug 1921 p 1





## Pansy Club Members Hold First Meeting of Year In Lamar Home

**MEMBERS OF THE PANSY CLUB** held their first meeting of the year when they gathered at the home of Mrs. F. C. Lamar, 401 South Palm, to hear Mrs. John Barrington talk on "English Gardens" and show a collection of colored slides taken while she was living in England. Those members present who are pictured here include, left to right, seated, Mrs. Thomas R. Proenneke, Mrs. Carl Jordan, Mrs. C. E. Knight, Mrs. Ethel Hayden, Mrs. Leo Martin and Miss Grace Snow; standing, Mrs. Floyd Jamison, Mrs. W. R. Leonard, Mrs. Ralph G. Taylor, Mrs. F. L. Adams, Mrs. J. W. Willaford, Mrs. M. W. Murphy and Mrs. Lamar. The February meeting will be with Mrs. Ada Hayden, 732 North First, and at that time B. L. Weeks will speak on "Care of the Soil." Members are reminded to take soil samples to the meeting.

Lura Bates Taylor is standing, 3<sup>rd</sup> from left – "Ponca City (OK) News" Sunday 22 Jan 1956 p 15

### Children:

Name:	Ralph James Taylor
Birth Date:	abt 1923
Death Date:	1 Feb 1967
Death Place:	Mobile, Mobile, AL
Death Age:	44
Gender:	Male
Father Name:	Ralph G Taylor
Mother Name:	Lura Bates
FHL Film Number:	1909099
Wills and Probates:	<a href="#">Search for Ralph Alabama Wills &amp;</a>

**Ralph James Taylor**  
in the Alabama, U.S., Deaths and Burials Index, 1881-1974

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AL death record of son **Ralph James Taylor (1922-1967)** - [https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1699935:2543?tid=&pid=&queryId=c0d8d5242fe7e3e816b504e7e9e99779&\\_phsrc=hFB61379&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1699935:2543?tid=&pid=&queryId=c0d8d5242fe7e3e816b504e7e9e99779&_phsrc=hFB61379&_phstart=successSource)

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Taylor, 433 East Padon, recently underwent major surgery at the station hospital at Camp Barkeley and is improving satisfactorily, according to word received by his parents.

He is in Ward A-7, at the hospital.

Sergeant Ralph J. Taylor, son of



"Blackwell (OK) Journal-Tribune" Monday 9 Mar 1942 p 2

# Our Boys and Girls in Service' Are Presented

Here, in sketch and engraving, are the faces of several hundred northern Oklahoma men and women now in the service of their country at war. The Journal-Tribune is proud to present so large a number. A copy of this edition goes to every man and woman pictured, the original artist's drawings will be sent with the photographs, to those who submitted them. It is a matter of regret that a number of photographs were submitted after the deadline and consequently could not be used.

A-C Ralph J. Taylor

Sqd. 1  
Gibbs, Field,  
Fort Stockton,  
Tex.

Son of  
Mr. and Mrs.  
Ralph G. Taylor,  
433 East Padon.



"Blackwell (OK) Journal-Tribune" Sunday 13 Jun 1943 p 3

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**Air Cadet Ralph J. Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Taylor, 405 North Ninth street, arrived at the Lubbock, Texas, army air field recently for the final lap of flight training. He will be commissioned an air forces flying officer upon completion of the course. He served with the field artillery division at Fort Sill and at Camp Barkeley, Texas, before entering flight training.**

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"Ponca City (OK) News" Sunday 12 Sep 1943 p 4

Ralph James Taylor	
in the U.S., Veterans' Gravesites, ca.1775-2019	
Detail	Source
Name:	Ralph James Taylor
Death Age:	44
Birth Date:	30 May 1922
Service Start Date:	11 Apr 1958
Service End Date:	8 May 1963
Death Date:	1 Feb 1967
Interment Date:	13 Feb 1967
Interment Place:	Florida, USA
Cemetery Address:	Naval Air Station, 80 Hovey Road Pensacola, FL 32508
Cemetery:	Barrancas National Cemetery
Plot:	Section 30 Site 631
Notes:	Major Us Air Force World War II, Korea

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## MARRIAGE RECORD

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### APPLICATION FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE

STATE OF OREGON, CLATSOP COUNTY, IN

I, Charles R. Hall, of the County of Clatsop, Oregon, and legally competent to make and enter into, do hereby declare my intention to marry

to Charles R. Hall and M. Lucille Taylor, both of whom are parties to the marriage of which a license is hereby applied for. The said parties are each of them of sound and contracting mind and memory, and are qualified to receive under the law of entering into the marriage relation. They will parties are not of the relationship prohibited by law and are legally competent to be joined in marriage. I further make do solemnly swear that the following statement, containing the names of the intended parties their ages, date, place of birth and residence, is correct and in every particular, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, to wit:

Names of Parties	Age	Color	Place of Birth	Residence	Father's Name
<u>Charles R. Hall</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Clatsop</u>	<u>Clatsop</u>	<u>Charles R. Hall</u>
<u>M. Lucille Taylor</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Idaho</u>	<u>Idaho</u>	<u>John Taylor</u>

Subscribed and sworn to before me on March 20, 1920, at Clatsop, Oregon.

By John L. Swinney, Minister of the Gospel, Clatsop County, Oregon.

### MARRIAGE LICENSE

STATE OF OREGON, CLATSOP COUNTY, IN THE COUNTY COURT

To Any Person Authorized to Perform the Marriage Ceremony:

You are hereby authorized to marry Charles R. Hall and M. Lucille Taylor, whose ages, residences, etc., are as follows:

Names of Parties	Age	Color	Place of Birth	Residence	Father's Name
<u>Charles R. Hall</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Idaho</u>	<u>Clatsop</u>	<u>Charles R. Hall</u>
<u>M. Lucille Taylor</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>Idaho</u>	<u>Idaho</u>	<u>John Taylor</u>

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

Witness my hand and official seal, at Clatsop, in said County, this 27 day of March, A. D. 1920.

J. L. Swinney, Court Clerk.

Subscribed (to) 27 day of March, 1920.

### CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

STATE OF OREGON, IN

I, Phil Drachner, Minister of the Gospel, of the County of Clatsop, Oregon, do hereby certify that I joined in marriage in person

at Clatsop, Oregon, in said County, on the 28th day of March, A. D. 1920.

at Clatsop, Oregon, in said County, Oregon, in the presence of W. M. Martin Young and John L. Swinney.

at Clatsop, Oregon, in the presence of John L. Swinney.

at Clatsop, Oregon, in the presence of John L. Swinney.

WITNESSES:

Phil Drachner, Minister of the Gospel.

My credentials are recorded in Book 2, Page 144, of the County Clerk's office of the County of Clatsop, Oregon, this 27 day of March, 1920.

marriage of **daughter Arlene Lucille Taylor** to Charles R. Hall on 28 Mar 1945 in Kay Co. OK -  
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# Meet 1990's Opinion Shapers

Below you will find 13 people we hope will become as familiar to you as the people next door. Primarily because they are.

They comprise our Opinion Shapers Board for 1990, Daily Record readers like yourself who were among nearly 100 people to submit essays in our second annual competition. They were selected as Daily Record columnists, and will each write four columns over the next year. The columns will appear each Wednesday starting this week.

As it was last year, the competition was extremely tough, and there were another 13 who easily could have been selected. As it turned out, we think we've selected a group with a diversity of interests and writing styles that will make the Opinion Shaper columns interesting and different each week.

We didn't base selections on geography or gender. The number of men and women chosen corresponded to the percentage of each who applied. The towns that had the most entrants ended up with the best showings. As it happened, we ended up choosing two people who work for the same (large) company, although they don't know each



**BILL  
DONNELLON**

EDITOR'S  
NOTE

other and we didn't realize it at the time we made the selections.

We hope you'll read the columns and let us know what you think. I know you will. You always do.

I'd like to offer a final, fond farewell to our 1989 board members, whose hard work and enthusiasm made our first stab at this type of thing a tremendous success. In all, 13 people I feel I came to know quite well over the year. I hope you enjoyed their company as much as I did. I'll miss them all.

**BILL DONNELLON** is editor of the Daily Record.

## Arlene Hall-Wirth

Arlene Hall-Wirth, 63, is planner of export and domestic operations for Sandoz Pharmaceuticals Corp. She grew up on Oklahoma but has lived in Morris County for the



last 20 years. A resident of Lake Hiawatha, she received a degree at County College of Morris in 1978, and has been at Sandoz for the last 15 years. A widow with three children and two grandchildren, she plans to take whimsical looks at social issues.

"Morristown (NJ) Daily Record" Sunday 18 Feb 1990 p 74



Columnist Arlene Hall-Wirth in the "Morristown (NJ) Daily Record" Wednesday 27 Nov 1996 p 25

## **Arlene Taylor Bride Of Charles Robert Hall**

**ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE OF** the marriage of Miss Arlene Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Taylor, Ponca City, and Charles Robert Hall, S 1/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude G. Hall, Blackwell, at the First Methodist church, Ponca City, March 27. Dr. Phil Deschner read the service.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Ernest L. Miller, Ponca City. Merle M. Young, S 1/c, Blackwell, served as best man.

Both the bride and bridegroom were graduated from Blackwell highschool. Mrs. Hall is employed at the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., Ponca City. Mr. Hall has served eight months overseas.

**Announcement Made Of  
Hall-Taylor Marriage**

Miss Arlene Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Taylor, 405 North Ninth street, and Seaman First Class Charles Robert Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude G. Hall of Blackwell were united in marriage March 27.

The single ring vows were performed by Dr. Phil Deschner at the First Methodist church.

The bride was attired in an ensemble of powder blue with black and white accessories. She carried a white Bible mounted with a corsage of carnations and dainty ribbon streamers knotted with blossoms.

Mrs. Ernest L. Miller of Ponca City was matron of honor and Seaman First Class Merle M. Young of Blackwell attended the bridegroom as best man.

Both Seaman and Mrs. Hall are graduates of the Blackwell high school where she was active in dramatics and he presided over the F.F.A. organization. Mrs. Hall is employed at the Southwestern Bell Telephone company in Ponca City. Seaman Hall recently returned from eight months overseas duty and will report back to his overseas station in the Pacific on completion of his leave.

"Ponca City (OK) News" Thursday 5 Apr 1945 p 7

## City Senior's Essay Wins State Honors

Arlene Taylor, highschool senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Taylor, 433 East Padon, was announced Monday the winner of state honors in the 8th annual essay contest of the Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary.

Her essay, on the year's contest subject, "United We Win," was forwarded for consideration with other states' winners, in a nationwide contest in which prizes of \$1,000, \$500, \$250 and \$100 will be awarded.

Miss Taylor's entry was among others written as part of the work in Mrs. Alpha Skirving's English classes.

She will receive her state award in June.

"Blackwell (OK) Journal-Tribune" Monday 17 May 1943 p 2

ARLENE LUCILLE TAYLOR, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Taylor, 433 East Padon street; started her primary year in Central building at Blackwell; participated in Girl Reserves, Future Teachers and Latin club three years, in junior and senior play work; was secretary of the sophomore class, reporter for the F.T.A. in sophomore year, on the G. R. cabinet in senior year, vice-president of the biology club in sophomore year; won the V.F.W. auxiliary essay contest in senior year; will study journalism in the Northern Junior college at Tonkawa.

"Blackwell (OK) Journal-Tribune" Wednesday 19 May 1943 p 9



## Charles Robert Hall

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

Name:	Charles Robert Hall [Charles R Hall]
Gender:	Male
Race:	White
Birth Date:	14 Feb 1925
Birth Place:	Blackwell Ka, Oklahoma
Death Date:	29 Dec 1995
Father:	Claude G Hall
Mother:	Mary E Coop
SSN:	440227195
Signature on SSN Card:	Robert Hall
Relationship of Signature:	Signature name differs from NH's name.
Notes:	Dec 1942: Name listed as CHARLES ROBERT HALL; 05 Jan 1996: Name listed as CHARLES R HALL

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/47118373:60901>

## Charles R Hall

in the New Jersey, U.S., Death Index, 1848-1878, 1901-2017

Name:	Charles R Hall
Age:	70
Birth Date:	14 Feb 1925
Death Date:	29 Dec 1995
Death Place:	Dover, Morris, New Jersey, USA

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/3489836:61260>

## Charles Hall, 70, foreman at Thatcher

DOVER — Charles “Bob” Hall died yesterday at home following a long illness. He was 70.

He was born in Blackwell, Okla., moved to New Jersey in 1965 and lived in Dover since 1981.

Mr. Hall was a supervisor foreman at Thatcher Glass Manufacturing in Wharton for 20 years until 1985. He then worked at Marcal Paper in Elmwood Park until retiring in 1988.



Mr. Hall served in the Navy during World War II. He was stationed on the USS Maryland and participated in the Philippine liberation.

Survivors include his wife, Elsa (Britos); two sons, Jeffrey of North Conway, N.H., and David of Chatham; a daughter, Mary Carolyn Higginbottom of Wharton; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements are by Bermingham Funeral Home, 249 S. Main St., Wharton.

“Morristown (NJ) Daily Record” Saturday 30 Dec 1995 p 6

## Arlene L Taylor

in the New Jersey, U.S., Marriage Index, 1901-2016

Detail	Source
Name:	Arlene L Taylor
Gender:	Female
Marriage Date:	21 Dec 1988
Marriage Place:	Parsippany-Troy Hills Township, Morris, New Jersey, USA
Spouse:	Frank Wirth
Certificate Number:	0058694

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1083435142:61253>

## Frank Wirth

**PARSIPPANY** — Frank Wirth, 53, died yesterday at St. Clares-Riverside Medical Center in Denville after a short illness.

He was born in Hungary and settled in the East Orange area in 1956. He lived in Parsippany for the past five years.

Mr. Wirth was a machinist for Solbern Corp. in Fairfield for five years. Prior to that, he worked as a machinist for Babcock-Wilcox in Roseland for 18 years.

He was a member of the Roxbury Area Model Airplane Club.

Survivors include his wife, Arlene L.; a son, Frank Andrew of Landing; two daughters, Grace Lemon of Asbury Park and Martha Karen of Jefferson; two stepsons, Jeff Hall of North Conway, N.H., and Dave Hall of Morristown; a stepdaughter, Mary Carolyn Higginbottom of Hackettstown; and three grandchildren.

Arrangements are by Par-Troy Funeral Home, 95 Parsippany Road, Parsippany.

Obituary of Frank Wirth – “Morristown (NJ) Daily Record” Thursday 6 Jul 1989 p 13

## Arlene L. Hall-Wirth

in the U.S., Obituary Collection, 1930-Current

### Detail      Source

Name:	Arlene L. Hall-Wirth
Maiden Name:	Taylor
Gender:	Female
Death Age:	81
Birth Date:	abt 1926
Birth Place:	Memphis, Tenn.
Residence Place:	JEFFERSON, Sandoz, Oak Ridge, Oklahoma, Illinois, North Jersey
Death Date:	8 Jun 2007
Death Place:	Boonton
Burial Date:	12 Jun
Burial Place:	East Hanover
Obituary Date:	11 Jun 2007
Obituary Place:	Berkeley Heights, Union, New Jersey, USA
Spouse:	Frank Wirth
Child:	Jeffrey Hall David Hall Mary Higginbottom

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/14880913:7545>

## Arlene L Hall-Wirth

in the New Jersey, U.S., Death Index, 1848-1878, 1901-2017

### Detail      Source

Name:	Arlene L Hall-Wirth
Age:	81
Birth Date:	28 Jun 1925
Birth Place:	Tennessee, USA
Death Date:	8 Jun 2007
Death Place:	New Jersey, USA

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/409916:61260>

## Reader takes issue with 'Camelot' review

To the Editor:

Once again we have been subjected to one of Simon Saltzman's venomous, vitriolic vendettas against a Paper Mill Playhouse production. In his latest diatribe, the reader is led to believe that "Camelot" is not only dull, but an elephantine bore.

Nothing could be further from the truth. In fact, this is not the first time that I have wondered, after reading one of his reviews, if he and I saw the same production. Perhaps he was asleep through the performance. But no, the applause would have wakened him.

In fact, this was the first time I remem-

ber hearing the audience even applaud the scenery. Yes, the Arthurian legend is bittersweet, but the actors played their parts as written, with all the foibles of human nature inherent in the story.

The Paper Mill is a welcome alternative to Broadway, especially for those of us who cannot or will not travel to New York for an evening at the theater. In all the years I have been attending, they have never let me down. The shows are presented with excellent production values, always imaginatively staged, and the performers are of the highest caliber.

I feel that a local critic should support, and be grateful for, local productions such as these.

**ARLENE HALL-WIRTH**  
Oak Ridge

Letter to the editor – "Morristown (NJ) Daily Record" Wednesday 27 Nov 1991 p 14

**\$15**

In memory of Frank Wirth,  
from Arlene Hall-Wirth  
American Legion Auxiliary,  
Parsippany Unit No. 249,  
for a veteran and his or her  
family

Christmas donation – "Morristown (NJ) Daily Record" Wednesday 4 Dec 1991 p 10

## Poor man's William Safire on the Daily Record

To the Editor:

I have been waiting for an occasion to show you my collection of grammatical errors. At the risk of sounding like a poor man's William Safire, here are some of the errors I have come across in the Daily Record:

■ **Headline:** "A rare bear siting in Randolph." I believe you should have used the word sighting.

■ **In a similar vein,** a letter to the editor (which may or may not have been edited) spoke of the "siting of a child crawling out of a truck in his pajamas." The more appropriate word would have been sighting.

■ **An article about Rep. Dean Gallo** featured a "champaign brunch." The correct word should have been champagne.

■ **One of the more amusing mistakes** was a want ad seeking a "wordperfect transcriptionist," someone with "exc. grammer," which of course should have been spelled grammar.

■ **A want ad seeking contact** "lense"

wearers should have been spelled lens.

■ **An article about a woman who was attacked read:** "The woman, who police declined to identify . . ." The pronoun the writer should have used was whom.

■ **A letter writer told of seeing** "police cars, tow trucks and 4x4's sliding down the hills and over the medium." The word that should have been used in this case is median.

■ **Two items that appeared on the same day (Feb. 28, 1992) both had trouble with the verbs** "lie" and "lay."

I realize that many writers of letters to the editor are not models of correct grammar (and that many of them don't care if they make occasional mistakes). My point is that somebody at your newspaper office should see that these errors aren't perpetuated. Your mission, should you choose to accept it, will be to uphold the integrity of the English language.

**ARLENE HALL-WIRTH**  
Oak Ridge

"Morristown (NJ) Daily Record" Tuesday 8 Dec 1992 p 15

## A spelling effort that would be 'wirth' it

To the Editor:

Three cheers to Arlene Hall-Wirth for her Dec. 8 letter of admonishment to the editorial staff of the Daily Record.

Any effort on your part to correct spelling errors would be well "wirth" it.

**CHARLES PHELPS**  
Parsippany

"Morristown (NJ) Daily Record" Sunday 27 Dec 1992 p 23

## Introducing the 1996 Opinion Shapers

Today we kick off this year's Opinion Shapers, a weekly column by readers who'll get up on a soapbox four times each over the course of the year. The 1996 Opinion Shapers are:

■ **The Rev. Jerry Carter**, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Morristown and a past Opinion Shaper.

■ **Brian M. Condrón** of Morristown, who works in government affairs for a Morris-based corporation.

■ **Ryan Dawson** of Boonton, a student at Fairleigh Dickinson University.

■ **Donald L. Fitzpatrick** of Succasunna, a retired Exxon information services analyst.

■ **Arlene Hall-Wirth** of Oak Ridge, a retired Sandoz Pharmaceuticals operations planner.

■ **Alison Hicinbotham**, a Rockaway homemaker.

■ **Ann Kendall** of Long Valley, a speech consultant and occasional contributor to this page.

■ **Jarvis Knapp** of East Hanover, a businessman who spends lots of time on the road, observing his fellow motorists.

■ **Raymond McConnell** of Denville, a private detective and chairman of Lake Hopatcong Citizen Watch.

■ **Richard Merkt** of Brookside, a vice president of Warnock Automotive Group who worked as an aide to former Assemblyman Arthur Albohn.

■ **Pastor Armin Sommer** of Church on the Mount in Netcong.

■ **William A. Swarts** of Denville, a retired chemist.

■ **Donna Templeton** of Morris Plains, a psychiatric clinical nurse specialist.

"Morristown (NJ) Daily Record" Wednesday 10 Jan 1996 p 9



## YOUR TURN: Arlene Hall-Wirth, Oak Ridge

*Each week a reader answers some burning questions of the passing, and coming, millennia. Today, Arlene Hall-Wirth of Oak Ridge.*

**Most significant event of the last 1,000 years?** Magna Carta.

**Most significant event of the last 100 years?** Landing men on the moon.

**Most influential figure of the**

**last 1,000 years?** Thomas Jefferson.

**Most influential figure of the last 100 years?** Adolf Hitler.

**Most influential figure in Morris County?** No answer.

**Greatest work of art?** Sistine Chapel.

**Greatest work of literature?** Old Testament.

**Best movie of all time?** "Gone

with the Wind."

**Best television show of all time?** "All in the Family."

**What will be the most significant event of the next 25 years?** Landing men on Mars.

**What will not happen in the first 25 years of the new millennium?** Peace in the Middle East.

**If you could have one wish in**

**the new millennium, what would it be?** A cure for all kinds of cancer.

**What's the biggest challenge facing the nation in the next 100 years?** Healthy economy.

**What will we be able to do 100 years from now that we can't do now?** Travel in pod-like vehicles in perfect safety.

"Morristown (NJ) Daily Record" Monday 18 Oct 1999 p 9

### Arlene L. Hall-Wirth

81, Sandoz export planner

JEFFERSON — Arlene L. (Taylor) Hall-Wirth of Oak Ridge passed away on Friday, June 8, 2007, at Merry Heart Nursing Home in Boonton. She was 81.

She was born in Memphis, Tenn., and grew up in Oklahoma.

She lived in Illinois for nine years before moving to North Jersey in 1965.

She received her associate's degree in business from County College of Morris.

She was an export planner for Sandoz in East Hanover for 15 years, before retiring in 1991. Prior to that, she worked at L.E. Carpenter in Wharton for many years.

She was a member of the Milton United Methodist Church in Milton.

She was a retired member of the Toastmasters Club of Sandoz.

She also enjoyed traveling, square dancing and writing, as well as going to operas and plays.

She was predeceased by her husbands, Frank Wirth (1989) and Charles R. Hall (1995).

Survivors include her loving children, David Hall and his wife, Laura of Berkeley Heights, Jeffrey Hall and his wife, Sally of Crystal River, Fla., and Mary Higginbottom of Oak Ridge; her three cherished grandchildren; and one treasured great-grandchild.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend her funeral service on Tuesday, June 12, at 10 a.m., at Par-Troy Funeral Home, 95 Parsippany Road, Parsippany. Call (973) 887-3235 or visit [www.partroyfuneralhome.com](http://www.partroyfuneralhome.com).

Interment will take place at Restland Memorial Park, East Hanover.

Visiting hours are on Monday from 6-9 p.m.

Obituary of Arlene Lucille Taylor Hall-Wirth – "Morristown (NJ) Daily Record" Sunday 10 Jun 2007 p A18 - <https://www.newspapers.com/image/256199319/>

Mother:



## Caldwell Rites for Mrs. Anna Taylor, 82

CALDWELL, Kans., June 27 — Services for Mrs. Anna Taylor, 82, who died Thursday, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Christian church here.

Surviving are three sons, Jerry and Ralph, Ponca City, and Bill, Gunnison, Colo., and two daughters, Mrs. Geneva Craig, Lamont, and Mrs. Elsie Westling, Wichita.

Obituary of mother Anna Laura Helsel Taylor – “Blackwell (OK) Journal-Tribune” Friday 27 Jun 1952  
p 1

## Mrs. Anna Taylor Dies in Hospital

Mrs. Anna Laura Taylor, 77, Wichita, Kan., mother of two Ponca Citians, died shortly before noon Thursday at the Ponca City Hospital. She had been ill since Tuesday and was taken to the hospital Wednesday night.

Mrs. Taylor had been visiting here a month with her sons, O. E.,

331 Coolidge, and Ralph, 205 South Peachtree.

Funeral arrangements are pending under direction of Miles Funeral Home.

She was born Dec. 15, 1874, at Ft. Wayne, Ind. Her family moved to Pratt, Kan., when she was young. She was married to the late William E. Taylor at St. John, Kan., in 1893. They farmed there and at Caldwell, Kan. She moved to Wichita following her husband's death Feb. 18, 1940.

Survivors include another son, W. C., Gunnison, Colo.; two daughters, Mrs. Elsie Westling, Wichita, and Mrs. Geneva Craig, Lamar, Colo.; eight brothers, Oras Helsel,

Wichita, Millard Helsel, Lamar, Colo., Frank Helsel, Arkansas City, Charles Helsel, Bucklin, Kan., Walter Helsel, McPherson, Kan., Joe Helsel, Pratt, Kan., Dewey Helsel, Los Angeles, and Clarence Helsel, Detroit, Mich.; two half-sisters, both of Pratt, Kan.; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

“Ponca City (OK) News” Thursday 26 Jun 1952 p 2

## Siblings:

**MRS. HARRY WESTLING**  
 Mrs. Elsie Jane Westling, 72, of 1807 Ida, a retired employe of the former Spines Clothing Co. Inc., died Monday. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Broadway Mortuary. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Caldwell, Kan., Cemetery.  
 Born at St. John, Kan., she moved to Wichita in 1942 from St. Louis, Mo.  
 Survivors include her widower, Harry; two brothers, O. E. Taylor, Ponca City, Okla., and William Taylor, Tucson, Ariz., and a sister, Mrs. Geneva Craig, Lamont, Okla.

Obituary of sister Elsie Jane Taylor Morard Westling (1896-1968) – “Wichita (KS) Eagle” Tuesday 9 Jul 1968 p 15

**CALDWELL, Kan.** — Graveside services for Harry Westling, 79, Tucson, Ariz., former Wichitan, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Caldwell Cemetery. He died Wednesday. Survivors include a brother, Fred, Cheyenne, Wyo., and sister, Mrs. M. F. Wildman, Berkeley, Calif. Schaeffer-Thompson Mortuary has charge.

Obituary of Harry F. Westling – “Wichita (KS) Eagle” Friday 16 Feb 1973 p 26

(13)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Application No. A. 21923 For License to Marry.

STATE OF MISSOURI, ) ss. (AFFIDAVIT OF MALE)  
County of Jackson, )

I, Frank J. Morard  
of St. Louis County of \_\_\_\_\_  
and state of Missouri party of the first part, desiring  
to procure a license to marry E. Jane Taylor  
of St. Louis County of \_\_\_\_\_  
and State of Missouri party of the second part, do hereby solemnly swear that we  
are of the ages of 33 years and 29 years respectively and that we are both single and unmarried and  
not first cousins, and may lawfully contract and be joined in MARRIAGE.

(SIGN HERE) Frank J. Morard  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5 day of Mar 1926

CHARLES H. MOORE, Recorder  
By J. H. Moore Deputy.

STATE OF MISSOURI, ) ss. (AFFIDAVIT OF FEMALE)  
County of Jackson, )

I, the undersigned, party of the second part, do hereby solemnly swear that I am  
the person named in the above application for a marriage license, and that I am the age of 29 years, and  
that I am single and unmarried, and may lawfully contract and be joined in MARRIAGE.

(SIGN HERE) E. Jane Taylor  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5 day of Mar 1926

CHARLES H. MOORE, Recorder  
By J. H. Moore Deputy.

STATE OF MISSOURI, ) ss.  
County of Jackson, )

I, the undersigned, do hereby solemnly swear that the said party of the second part  
named in the foregoing application for marriage license is personally known to me, and that she is over the age of  
eighteen years and may legally contract said marriage.

(SIGN HERE) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) \_\_\_\_\_  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1926

CHARLES H. MOORE, Recorder  
By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.

(Consent of Parent or Guardian to the Marriage of a Minor.)

STATE OF MISSOURI, ) ss.  
County of Jackson, )

I, the undersigned, do hereby solemnly swear that I am the \_\_\_\_\_  
of the said party of the \_\_\_\_\_ part, named in the foregoing application for marriage license, and do  
hereby give my consent to \_\_\_\_\_ marriage.

(SIGN HERE) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) \_\_\_\_\_  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1926

CHARLES H. MOORE, Recorder  
By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.

Marriage of E. Jane Taylor to Frank J. Morard 5 Mar 1926 Jackson Co. MO -  
[https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/1171/images/vrmmo1833\\_c22640-1969?pld=507542089](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/1171/images/vrmmo1833_c22640-1969?pld=507542089)

Taylor-Johnson:—Miss Grace Johnson, of Ames, Oklahoma, and Mr. Othel E. Taylor, of this city, were married at the home of Rev. Walter Scott Priest, pastor of the Central Christian church of Wichita, Wednesday afternoon, February 7th. The bride was dressed in a becomong costume of brown and the couple were unattended. Mrs. Taylor is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Johnson, of Ames, but spent the past summer in this city as a clerk in the Woolworth store. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Taylor, of Caldwell, and at present is employed as baker in the Sanitary bakery in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor will make their home at 820 North Olive street here.

Marriage of brother Othel Emmett Taylor (1902-1986) to Grace Irene Johnson – “Wellington (KS) Monitor-Press” Wednesday 21 Feb 1923 p 1



*Address changed 1-20-12*

<b>SERIAL NUMBER</b>	<b>1. NAME (Print)</b>			<b>ORDER NUMBER</b>
1265	WILLIAM. CARRIS. TAYLOR. <small>(First) (Middle) (Last)</small>			1457
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1823 South Broadway, Wichita, Kansas <del>617-S MAIN. CALDWELL - SUMNER, KANS.</del> <small>(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)</small>				
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		29	Cleo.	U. S. A.
		<small>DATE OF BIRTH</small>		
		April 2- 1911		
<small>(Exchange) (Number)</small>		<small>(Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)</small>	<small>(Town or county) (State or country)</small>	
<b>7. NAME OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS</b>				<b>8. RELATIONSHIP OF THAT PERSON</b>
Mrs Anna Laura Taylor. <small>(Mr., Mrs., Miss) (First) (Middle) (Last)</small>				Mother
<b>9. ADDRESS OF THAT PERSON</b>				
617-S Main, Caldwell, S. Kans. <small>(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)</small>				
<b>10. EMPLOYER'S NAME</b>				
A. B. Hoff.				
<b>11. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS</b>				
217 1/2 W- Douglas, Wichita, Sedgewick, Kans. <small>(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)</small>				
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.				
<b>REGISTRATION CARD</b>				
D. S. S. Form 1				
(over)		16-17105		
		William Carris Taylor <small>(Registrant's signature)</small>		

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT							
RACE		HEIGHT (Approx.)		WEIGHT (Approx.)		COMPLEXION	
White	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5-10		168		Sallow	
		EYES		HAIR		Light	
Negro		Blue		Blonde		Ruddy	
		Gray		Red		Dark	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Oriental		Hazel		Brown	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Freckled	
		Brown	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Black		Light brown	
Indian		Black		Gray		Dark brown	
				Bald		Black	
Filipino							

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification-----  
*none -*

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*Ada E. Ozburn*  
 (Signature of registrar)

Registrar for -----  
 (Precinct) (Ward) (City or county) (State)

Date of registration -----  
*Oct-16-1940*

LOCAL BOARD

WELLINGTON SUMNER CO.,  
 (STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)  
 KANSAS

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

WWII draft registration of **brother Carris William / William Carris Taylor (1911-1972)** -  
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**TAYLOR, William C.**, 61, of 8441 E. Shiloh, passed away October 11th, 1972. Survived by wife Leona of Tucson; brother, Jerry Taylor of Ponca City, Okla., and sister, Mrs. Geneva Craig of Lamont, Okla. Services and burial will be in Caldwell, Kansas. Friends may call at **Palms Mortuary**, 5225 E. Speedway, from 2 to 4 p.m., Friday. In lieu of flowers family suggests donations to **The City of Hope** at Duarte, Calif.

Obituary of William Carris Taylor – "Tucson (AZ) Citizen" Friday 13 Oct 1972 p 49  
[https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2238/images/44011\\_03\\_00039-02007?pid=25031036](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2238/images/44011_03_00039-02007?pid=25031036)



CALDWELL, Kan. — Services for William C. Taylor, 61, Tucson, Ariz., retired employe of the Boeing Co., Wichita, resort owner at Gunnison, Colo., and former Caldwell resident, will be at 2:30 p.m. Monday in Schaeffer-Thompson Mortuary. He died Wednesday. Survivors include his widow, Leona; a daughter, Mrs. Phyllis Mitchell, Denver; a brother, O.E. (Jerry), Ponca City, Okla., and a sister, Mrs. Keith Craig, Lamont, Okla.

Obituary of William Carris Taylor – "Wichita (KS) Beacon" Saturday 14 Oct 1972 p 27

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3. TELEPHONE		4. AGE IN YEARS		5. PLACE OF BIRTH	
none		29		Oklahoma	
		DATE OF BIRTH		(Town or county)	
		May 20 1911			
(Exchange) (Number)		(Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)		(State or country)	
7. NAME OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS				6. COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP	
William Emmitt Taylor				U. S. A.	
(Mr., Mrs., Miss) (First) (Middle) (Last)				8. RELATIONSHIP OF THAT PERSON	
				father	
9. ADDRESS OF THAT PERSON					
314 North 12 St Sac Sac Calif					
(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)					
10. EMPLOYER'S NAME					
J. S. King					
11. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS					
Halmat Grove					
(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)					
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.					
REGISTRATION CARD					
D. S. S. Form 1					
(over)		16-17105			
		William Coy Taylor			
		(Registrant's Signature)			

## DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

RACE		HEIGHT (Approx.)		WEIGHT (Approx.)		COMPLEXION	
White	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5 ft 9 in.		138		Sallow	
		EYES		HAIR		Light	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Negro		Blue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Blonde	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	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-----

*Scar on left arm*

*Mrs. Fuller*  
(Signature of registrar)

Registrar for *198* *8* *San Calif*  
(Precinct) (Ward) (City or county) (State)

Date of registration *Oct 16 - 1940*

LOCAL BOARD NO. 29  
Grant Union High School

No. Sacramento Co.  
(STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)

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Registers for WWII draft as William Coy Taylor, with birthdate of 20 May 1911 – father is William Emmett Taylor - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/17789760:2238?tid=&pid=&queryId=c52a53e716f6e6f13a3720604bcbd016&phsrc=hFB61407&phstart=successSource>

## Lena Lafern Miller

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

Name:	Lena Lafern Miller [Leona Lof Burton] [Leona Taylor]
Gender:	Female
Race:	White
Birth Date:	7 Sep 1911
Birth Place:	Willard, Kansas [Willard Shaw??, Kansas]
Death Date:	9 Feb 2002
Father:	John A. Miller
Mother:	Bessie Gibson
SSN:	509109001
Notes:	Dec 1936: Name listed as LENA LAFERN MILLER; Jan 1943: Name listed as LEONA LOF BURTON; May 1944: Name listed as LEONA L TAYLOR

[https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/43834548:60901?tid=&pid=&queryId=31d39145a3cd9b2be6385b7746c658c1&\\_phsrc=hFB61398&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/43834548:60901?tid=&pid=&queryId=31d39145a3cd9b2be6385b7746c658c1&_phsrc=hFB61398&_phstart=successSource)

### Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

### Name: Ralph George Taylor

Name variations:

#### Military:

On Tuscania: Camp Travis Det. 2, Casuals - private

Serial number: 251,602

Entered service from: Caldwell, Sumner KS

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Ralph G. Taylor

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father Willie Taylor, Caldwell KS

Returned from war on: "Alaskan" Jun 1919,

Sailed on return ship as: Ralph G. Taylor

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Anna L. Taylor, Caldwell KS (mechanic, cavalry, HQ Troops, IV Army Corps)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Ralph George Taylor - b. 6 Aug 1894 St. John KS; res: 221 W. Oklahoma, Blackwell, Kay OK. Single. Baker, City Bakery, Blackwell OK. Medium height & build.

World War II draft registration (1942): as Ralph George Taylor - b. 6 Aug 1894 Staford [sic/Stafford] KS; res: Blackwell, Kay OK. NOK Lucile Taylor, same address. Employed by R.W. Garich, 304 W. McKinley / 520 Domain, Blackwell, Kay OK. Height: 5'10 ½" – 200 lbs.

**Veterans Administration Military Index:**

Enlisted: 3 Oct 1917

Discharged: 24 Jun 1919

Address: Ozark AR

Rank/unit: mechanic, HQ Tr 4 Army Corps

**Birth & death:**

Born: 6 Aug 1894 St. John, Stafford KS

Died: 27 Sep 1961 Ponca City (partially in Kay Co., partially in Osage Co.) OK

Find A Grave record: 92324168 – presence on Tuscania indicated in text

Burial location: Osage Co. OK

Cemetery: Sunset Memorial Park

Tombstone: veteran flat: Oklahoma Mech HQ Trp 4 Army Corps WWI

Father: William Emmett Taylor, 27 Oct 1869 Cass Co. MO – 18 Feb 1940 Caldwell, Sumner KS.

Buried in Caldwell City Cemetery, Caldwell, Sumner KS.

Find A Grave: 68140282

Mother: Anna Laura Helsel Taylor, 12 Dec 1872 Fort Wayne, Allen IN – 26 Jun 1952 Ponca City, Kay OK. Buried in Caldwell City Cemetery, Caldwell, Sumner KS.

Find A Grave: 68140315

Parents' marriage: 30 May 1892 Fort Wayne, Allen IN

Spouse: Lura Miriam (Lucille) Bates Taylor, 25 Aug 1897 Exline, Appanoose IA – Apr 1976 NJ. Daughter of William Henry Bates (1870-1953) & Mary Etta Rice (1869-1964). She is apparently SSN 441-24-8493, last residence Budd Lake, Morris NJ. Her daughter Arlene had become a resident of New Jersey.

Buried in Sunset Memorial Park, Osage Co. OK.

Spouse Find A Grave: 92324184

Marriage: 12 Aug 1921 Arkansas City

**Children:**

- Ralph James Taylor, 30 Mar 1922 AR – 1 Feb 1967 Mobile, Mobile AL. Major in the US Air Force. Served in WWII & Korea. Was stationed at Tyndall Air Force Base, Panama City FL, when his father died in Sep 1961. Buried in Barrancas National Cemetery, Pensacola, Escambia FL. F: 1243845
- Arlene Lucille Taylor Hall-Wirth, 28 Jun 1925 Memphis, Shelby TN – 8 Jun 2007 Boonton, Morris NJ. Resident of Joliet IL in Sep 1961 when her father died. Married 28 Mar 1945 in First Methodist Church, Pona City, Kay Co. OK to Charles Robert ("Bob") Hall, son of Claude G. Hall (F: 87764553) & Mary E. Coop (F: 87764401). Charles was born 14 Feb 1925 in Blackwell, Kay OK & died 29 Dec 1995, SSN 440-22-7195 Dover, Morris NJ. Charles



moved to NJ in 1965. At the time of his death, Charles was married to Elsa Britos Hall. – As Arlene L. Taylor, on 21 Dec 1988 in Parsippany-Troy Hills township, Morris NJ, she married Frank Wirth, a native of Hungary, who died at age 53 on 5 Jul 1989 in Denville, Morris NJ. – According to her obituary, Arlene Hall-Wirth is buried in Restland Memorial Park, East Hanover, Morris NJ but is not on Find A Grave as of 7 Mar 2023.

Siblings: Ralph was the oldest child.

- Elsie Jane Taylor Westling, Jun 1896 St. John, Stafford KS – 8 Jul 1968. Wife of Harry F. Westling (1893-1973, F: 59502335). Resident of Wichita KS in Jun 1952 & Sep 1961. Buried in Caldwell City Cemetery, Caldwell, Sumner KS. F: 59502328
- Othel Emmett (“Jerry”) Taylor, 21 Feb 1902 Woods Co. OK – **Mar** 1986 Ponca City, Kay OK. Married 14 Feb 1923 in Wichita, Sedgwick KS to Grace Irene Johnson (1901-1990, F: 42779441). Buried in Resthaven Memorial Park, Ponca City, Kay OK. F: 42779459
- Grace Irene Taylor Craig, 4 Feb 1909 Woods Co. OK – 18 Oct 1993 Lamont, Grant OK. Married 2 Mar 1929 in Winfield, Cowley KS to Homer Keith Craig (1907-2001, F: 58309286). Buried in Caldwell City Cemetery, Caldwell, Sumner KS. F: 58309251
- William Carris [Carris William] (“Bill”) Taylor, 2 Apr 1911 Woods Co. OK – 1 Oct 1972 Tucson, Pima AZ. When he registers for the WWII draft on 16 Oct 1940 in Sacramento, Sacramento CA, he lists his middle name as Coy & his birthdate as 20 May 1911 in OK. Resident of Gunnison, Gunnison Co. CO in Jun 1952 & Sep 1961; his obituary says he was a resort operator there. Resident of Tucson AZ in Jul 1968. Survived by wife Leona, according to obituary & her name is inscribed on his tombstone, with the death year blank & no entry in Find A Grave. Leona is Lena/Leona LaFern Miller, b. 7 Sep 1911 Willard, Shawnee KS & died 9 Feb 2002. Her last residence according to Social Security was in Tucson, Pima AZ. Her SSN: 509-10-9001. The daughter of John Alverta Miller & Bessie Eloise Gibson, her surname had changed to Burton in Jan 1943 (according to Social Security) & then in May 1944 to Taylor. – In the 1950 census for Anthony, Harper KS, William C. Taylor (39 OK, proprietor of a retail auto supply store) lives with his wife Leona (38 KS) & daughter Phyllis (13 KS) who is Mrs. Phyllis Mitchell of Denver CO. at the time of William’s death.

Notes:

Pre-war:

Wartime:

Post-war:

Obituary:

Social Security number: 441-05-6285

Censuses:

1900 Galena, Woods OK

Will Taylor, 31 MO, Oct 1864, father b. KY, mother b. MO, married 7 years, farmer  
 Annie L., 25 IN, Dec 1874, father b. OH, mother b. IN, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living  
 Ralph G., 5 KS, Aug 1894  
 Elsie J., 3 KS, Jun 1896

1905 KS state census – Pratt Co. KS – 1 Mar 1905  
 Wm. Taylor, 34 Cass Co. MO, farmer  
 Anne, 31 Allen Co. IN, house wife  
 Ralph, 10 Stafford Co. KS, student  
 Elsie, 8 Stafford Co. KS, student  
 Othel, 3 [name of county blurry] OK

1910 Cleo, Major OK  
 William E. Taylor, 40 MO, father b. KY, mother b. MO, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, married 15 years,  
 butcher, meat store  
 Anna R., 37 IN, parents b. IN, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, gave birth to 4 children, 4 are living  
 Ralph G., 15 KS  
 Elsie, 13 KS  
 Othel E., 7 OK  
 Geneva I., 2 OK

1920 Arkansas, Cowley KS – Ralph & his brother Othel  
 Wm. Ulrich, 31 KS, parents b. Germany, proprietary, bakery  
 Nina Ulrich, 29 MO, parents b. MO, assistant, bakery [wife]  
 Ralph Taylor, 25 KS, father b. MO, mother b. IN, baker, bakery [lodger]  
 Othel Taylor, 17 KS, father b. MO, mother b. IN, baker, bakery [lodger]

1930 Booneville, Logan AR  
 Ralph Taylor, 35 KS, father b. MO, mother b. IN, age 25 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, proprietor, bakery,  
 WWI veteran  
 Lura Taylor, 33 IA, parents b. IA, age 23 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage [misindexed as Lula] [wife]  
 James Taylor, 7 AR [son – i.e. Ralph James]  
 Arlene Taylor, 4 AR [daughter]  
 Carris, 19 OK, father b. MO, mother b. IN, helper, baking [brother]  
 Jonnie Bond, 21 KS, father b. NE, mother b. MO, helper, baking [boarder]

1930 Caldwell, Sumner OK – Carris William (Billie C.) is double-counted in the 1930 census, listed  
 with both his brother Ralph & his parents]  
 William E. Taylor, 59 MO, father b. KY, mother b. PA, age 23 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, farmer, general farming  
 Anna L., 55 IN, father b. OH, mother b. IN, age 19 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage [wife]  
 Billie C., 19 OK, father b. MO, mother b. IN, laborer, gas pipe line [son]  
 The next entry on the page is Ralph's married sister Geneva Taylor, daughter of William & Anna:  
 Kieht [sic] Craig, 22 OK, parents b. KS, age 21 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, carpenter, building  
 Geneva I. Craig, 21 OK, father b. MO, mother b. IN, age 20 [wife]

1940 Blackwell, Kay OK – same place in 1935

Ralph B. Taylor, 45 KS, bakery, whole sale

Lucile M., 42 IA [i.e. Lura]

Ralph J., 17 AR

Arlene L., 14 TN

1950 Ponca City, Kay OK

Ralph B. Taylor, 58 KS, head baker, bakery

Louise, 52 OK