

TUSCANIA

**Tucker, James Joseph (“Joe”)
1893 NE – 1959 AZ**





Local Survivors Of The Tuscania Sinking

Kalispell still has two living survivors of the sinking of the *Tuscania* off the coast of Scotland Feb. 5, 1918. The sinking of the ship by a German submarine was the first casualty for the United States in World War I. The two survivors who live in Kalispell are Fred Metcalf

and Joe Basye. From left rear are Joe Tucker, Basye, Henry Seematter of Perma, Walter Damon, Metcalf and Emil Anderson; kneeling front are George St. Clair of Mains, P.J. Lavelle, J.D. Morrow, S.J. Cairncross and George Carlson.

Joe Tucker – "Daily Inter Lake" (Kalispell MT) 27 Aug 1973 p 4

FLATHEAD COUNTY SURVIVORS OF THE TORPEDOED TUSCANIA



Pictured above are 11 members of the detachment of 13 from Flathead county who were on board the transport "Tuscania" when it was sunk by a German U-boat off the coast of Ireland on February 5, 1918. Two of those from Flathead county, John McMillan and Paul Lawrence, are not shown in the picture but survived the sinking of the ship.

Of the 2,179 officers and men aboard the transport, about 200 were lost and the bodies of those recovered were buried on the Isle of Ila, Scotland.

The Tuscania was one of a convoy of 14 troop ships crossing the Atlantic at that time. Survivors of the torpedoed boat were landed at Larne, Ireland, Londonderry, Ireland and the Isle of Ila, Scotland. The scattered troops rejoined each other at Winchester, England later in the month.

Those pictured above are: (1) George Sallee, (2) Peter J. Lavelle, (3) John D. Morrow, (4) S. J. Cairncross, (5) O. Larson, (6) E. A. Anderson, (7) F. F. Metcalf, (8) Walter Damon, (9) Henry Seemater, (10) Joe D. Basey, (11) J. J. Tucker.

Seven survivors of the sunken vessel held an annual reunion last Sunday at the home of Joe Basey. All but three of the Flathead men on board the ship, still live in this section of the state.

"Daily Inter-Lake" (Kalispell MT) 10 Feb 1939 p 4 - Joe J. Tucker is the first man on the left in the back row



SURVIVORS OF 13-A- Of the 52 men assigned to Lifeboat 13-A, only 19 made it to the safety of a Scottish trawler four hours after the disaster. Among them, pictured above, is Fred Metcalf, and Joe Tucker, now deceased. They are, in foreground, Frank J. Thomas, Oakland, Calif., from left, front row, Leonard Dudley, Spokane; John Fyvie, Newberry, Mich.; (name unknown); James King, Missoula; Wallace Fry, Long Beach, Calif.; John D. Richards, San Francisco;

Metcalf, and Joe Tucker; Back row, Clifford M. Fletcher, Hamilton, Mont.; Alexander D. Davidson, Perma, Mont.; Jesse L. Fegman, Laton, Calif.; Earl M. Blair, Placerville, Calif.; C. J. McGeehan, Ashland, Wis.; John C. McMillan, Sturgis, S. D., now of Kalispell; Herbert F. Gustafson, Council Bluffs, Iowa; Edward M. Davis, Ames, Iowa; Leon J. Katgore, Sprague, Wash., and Carl C. Smith, Cherokee, Iowa.

"Kalispell (MT) Daily Inter-Lake" Sunday 10 Feb 1963 p 14 – James Joseph Tucker is the last man crouching on the far right

J. Joseph Tucker

MESA — Funeral services and burial for Clarence Davis, 76, and J. Joseph Tucker, 65, will be in Kalispell, Mont.

the two Mesa winter visitors were killed Thursday in an automobile accident at Baseline Road and South Country Club Drive near here.

Mr. Davis was born in New Hampshire and had lived in Kalispell many years before retirement from the implement business. He is a Mason, Shriner, and Elk, all in Kalispell.

He is survived by a son, Kenneth, Billings, Mont.; two daughters, Mrs. Maxine Nells and Mrs. Lucile Gordon of Missoula, Mont.; and 12 grandchildren.

Mr. Tucker was born in Nelson, Neb. He was a retired U.S. Forest Service employe and had lived in Kalispell many years. He was a veteran of World War I and member of the Eagles and the Veterans of Foreign Wars of Kalispell.

He is survived by a sister, Mrs. Frances Gruner, of Mesa, who was critically injured in the same accident.

Obituary of James Joseph Tucker – “Arizona Republic” (Phoenix AZ) Saturday 14 Mar 1959 p

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TUCKER, J. Joseph. Survived by his sister, Mrs. Frances Gruner, Mesa. Services and burial, Kalispell, Mont. **Larry J. Melcher Funeral Home.**

Obituary of James Joseph Tucker - “Arizona Republic” (Phoenix AZ) Saturday 14 Mar 1959 p

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ORIGINAL

1. NAME OF DECEASED—LAST—FIRST—MIDDLE (Print or type) TUCKER, James J.			APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE OR MARKER (See attached instructions. Complete and submit original and duplicate)	
2. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, Day, Year) 12-14-1917	3. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, Day, Year) 6-10-1919		12. EMBLEM (Check one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CHRISTIAN (Latin Cross) <input type="checkbox"/> HEBREW (Star of David) <input type="checkbox"/> NONE	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
4. SERVICE NO. 250 667	5. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NO. XC 614 687		14. SHIP TO (Name and address of person who will transport stone or marker to cemetery) Velva V. Lenon Kalispell, Montana Conrad Memorial Cemetery Assoc.	
6. STATE Montana	7. GRADE Pvt	8. MEDALS None	15. FREIGHT STATION Kalispell, Montana	
9. BRANCH OF SERVICE, COMPANY, REGIMENT, AND DIVISION OR SHIP Pvt. U.S. Army 17th Co 20th Eng Corps			16. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (City and State) Kalispell, Montana	
10. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year) 4-17-1893	11. DATE OF DEATH (Month, Day, Year) 3-12-1959		17. THE APPLICANT FOR THIS STONE OR MARKER HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH ME TO TRANSPORT SAME TO THE CEMETERY. SIGNATURE Velva V. Lenon DATE 3-31-59	
DO NOT WRITE HERE RECEIVED APR 21 1959 VERIFIED B/L 18535 MAY 15 1959 ORDERED JAS. H. MATHEWS CO. PITTSBURGH, PA.			18. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Print or type) Harry Gruner, 338 West 9th St. Mesa, Arizona 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 Harry Gruner DATE 3-24-59	

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James Joseph Tucker

Military • United States, Veterans Administration Master Index, 1917-1940

Name **James Joseph Tucker**

Residence Place **Kalispell, Mont**

Death Date **12 Mar 1959**

Birth Date **17 Apr 1893**

Event Type **Military Service**

Event Date **10 Jun 1919**

Event Place **St. Louis, Missouri, United States**

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Arizona State Department of Health
Bureau of Vital Statistics
STATE FILE NO. 2288

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

REGISTRAR'S NO. 77

1. PLACE OF DEATH
A. COUNTY **Maricopa**
B. CITY OR TOWN **Mesa**
C. FULL NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION **Baseline Rd & Country Club**

2. USUAL RESIDENCE
A. STATE **Montana**
B. CITY OR TOWN **Kalispell**
C. STREET (IF RURAL, GIVE LOCATION) ADDRESS **Kalispell**

3. NAME OF DECEASED
A. (FIRST) **JAMES JOSEPH**
B. (MIDDLE) **TUCKER**
C. (LAST) **TUCKER**

4. SEX **M**
5. COLOR OR RACE **White**

6. NAME OF SPOUSE **William Tucker**

7. DATE OF BIRTH **April 17 1893**
8. AGE (IN YEARS) **65**

9. USUAL OCCUPATION (GIVE KIND OF WORK INCLUDING WORK IF RETIRED) **Retired Forest Service**

10. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY) **Nebr.**
11. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? **USA**

12. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U. S. ARMED FORCES? (IF YES, WAS ON DATES OF SERVICE) **Yes, War I**

13. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. **Yes**

14. FATHER'S NAME **William Tucker**
14B. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) **England**

15A. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME **Minerva J Pritts**
15B. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) **Pa.**

16. INFORMANT'S SIGNATURE **James Tucker**
17. DATE OF DEATH **3/12/59**

18. CAUSE OF DEATH
ENTER ONLY ONE CAUSE PER LINE FOR (A), (B), (C).
1. DISEASE OR CONDITION DIRECTLY LEADING TO DEATH: **Multiple injuries, impact**
2. ANTECEDENT CAUSES: **None**
3. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS: **None**

19A. DATE OF OPERATION **3/12/59**
19B. MAJOR FINDINGS OF OPERATION **None**

20. AUTOPSY? **YES**

21. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM [] EXAMINED THE BODY OF THE DECEASED [] THAT I LAST SAW THE DECEASED ALIVE ON [] AND THAT DEATH OCCURRED AT [] FROM THE CAUSE AND ON THE DATE STATED ABOVE.

22. SIGNATURE **Frank J. Tipton**
23. ADDRESS **112 W. 1st St. Mesa, Ariz.**

24. ACCIDENT
24A. SUICIDE **Accident**
24B. HOMICIDE **None**
24C. NATURAL CAUSE **None**

25. PLACE OF INJURY (E.G., IN OR ABOUT HOME, FARM, FACTORY, STREET, OFFICE BLDG., ETC.) **Street**

26. (CITY OR TOWN) (COUNTY) (STATE) **Mesa Maricopa Ariz.**

27. TIME (HOURS) (DAYS) (YEARS) (MOMENTS) **3-12-1959 8: A.**

28. INJURY OCCURRED **While at work**

29. HOW DID INJURY OCCUR? **Auto Accident**

30. CORONER'S SIGNATURE **Lawrence E. Holliman**
31. ADDRESS **112 W. 1st St. Mesa, Ariz.**

32. DATE SIGNED **3-13-59**

33. BURIAL **Buried**
34. DATE **3/16/59**

35. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY **Kalispell**

36. LOCATION (CITY, TOWN, OR COUNTY) (STATE) **Kalispell Mont.**

37. DATE REC. BY LOCAL REG. **3-16-59**
38. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE **Robert L. DeLoe**

39. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE **Larry J Melcher**

40. ADDRESS **Mesa Arizona**

41. EMBALMER'S SIGNATURE **Larry J Melcher**
42. EMBALMER'S CERT. NO. **2771R**

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AZ death record of James Joseph Tucker -

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Two Montanans Killed in Mesa Car Accident

MESA (AP) — Two Montana residents were killed and three other persons seriously injured today in a traffic accident on U. S. 87 about two miles south of Mesa.

Killed were James J. Tucker, 66, and Clarence E. Davis, 78, both of Kalispell, Mont.

Injured were Harry Gruner, 65, his wife, Frances, 58, both of Mesa and Arthur F. Connors, 33, of Phoenix.

Investigating officers said both victims were passengers in a car driven by Gruner. The other vehicle was driven by Connors. The accident occurred at the intersection of Baseline Road and the highway.

Kalispell Man Killed in Arizona Crash

By Tribune Correspondent

KALISPELL — Clarence Edwin Davis, 76, a resident of Kalispell since 1937, was accidentally killed in an auto accident at Mesa, Ariz.

Davis, in company with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gruner and her brother, Joe Tucker, had left for Nogales, Ariz., when the accident occurred right out of Mesa. The extent of the injuries to the others has not been learned but Davis was killed instantly.

Davis was born in Haverhill, N.H. He came west as a young man and for many years was engaged in business in the oil fields near Shelby and Oilmont. He came to Kalispell in 1937, where he built an auto court and operated it for a time and later established the Davis Machinery Co. Mrs. Davis died here Nov. 24, 1953.

He was a member of Kalispell Lodge, AF&AM Helena Consistory of the Scottish Rite and Algeria Shrine Temple. He was also a member of the Kalispell Elks.

He is survived by one son Kenneth H. Davis in Billings; two daughters, Mrs. Maxine Nelles and Mrs. Lucille Gordon, both in Missoula, and 12 grandchildren. He is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Flora Lynn, in Whitefish.

The body will be brought here.

Left: "Great Falls (MT) Tribune" Sunday 15 Mar 1959 p 7 and right:
"Flagstaff (AZ) Daily Sun" Thursday 12 Mar 1959 p 8

4 CARDS OF THANKS

We desire to thank our friends for flowers, letters, and their kind expressions of sympathy during our recent bereavement in the tragic loss of our dearly beloved brother and uncle, James Joseph Tucker, which occurred in Mesa, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gruner

Mr and Mrs Wm R. Gruner

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Templeton

"Kalispell (MT) Daily Inter-Lake" Sunday 12 Apr 1959 p 22

Life:

MONTANA MEN SAVED FROM THE TUSCANIA

Special Dispatch to the Standard.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Of the Montana men aboard the transport Tuscania when she was sunk by a torpedo 40 have been reported saved late tonight. The total list of saved is still several hundred names short, and those Montanans not yet accounted for may appear on lists to be issued by the war department later. Montana men reported saved, of whom all but one is a member of the Twentieth engineers, are:

Willard C. Hall, 725 West Granite street, Butte (107th engineer train).
David G. Hudtloff, Colonial block, Butte.

George L. St. Clair, Plains.

Peter J. Layeile, Kalispell.

James J. Tucker, Kalispell.

Alexander D. Davidson, Perma.

Clifford McK. Fletcher, Victor.

Stewart J. Cairncross, Kalispell.

Ollie Edwin Oleson, Thompson Falls.

Oliver Wethern, Harlem.

[list continues]

"Anaconda (MT) Standard" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1

MORE MONTANANS ARE COMING HOME

The state headquarters of the United States employment service has received advice of the return from overseas duty of the following Montana soldiers, among many others from the Treasure state:

[list continues]

From U. S. S. Santa Paula—Charles G. Bennett, Ashley; Goalman White, Augusta; Carl Vinquist, Beckert; Clarence W. McCollim, Cascade; James Ferris, Great Falls; Peter H. Stewart, Great Falls; Andrew L. Knudson, Hinsdale; Stewart J. Cairncross, Kalispell; Walter P. Damon, Kalispell; John D. Manon, Kalispell; Frederick F. Metcalf, Kalispell; Peter T. Saville, Kalispell; James J. Tucker, Kalispell; Thomas Grover Means, Cascade; Orr Shepherd, Conrad; Lawrence J. Leahy, Genou; Stanford W. Skelton, Geyser; Ralph A. Allen, Gilman; Russell W. Cabbage, Montague; Van W. Gledden, Oswego; James W. Dauby, Shelby; Romeo Garrison, Yaak.

“Great Falls (MT) Tribune” Saturday 14 Jun 1919 p 3

ALL SURVIVORS OF TUSCANIA DISASTER

Special—

Kalispell, June 13.—Nine members of the Twentieth engineers, who were aboard the transport Tuscania when she was torpedoed off the coast of Ireland over a year ago, arrived home this morning. In the party were: John Morris, Stewart Cairncross, Joe Tucker, George Basye, Peter Lavallo, Fred Metcalf, Frank Lehman and J. Lindsay. Over twenty men from Flathead county were aboard the Tuscania when she went down, but none lost their lives.

“Butte (MT) Miner” Saturday 14 Jun 1919 p 8

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tucker returned
yesterday from Missoula.

Joe Tucker & Alice Alexander had married 8 Nov 1920 - "Kalispell (MT) Daily Inter-Lake"
Friday 12 Nov 1920 p 5

The patents received Friday, totaling 6,360 acres, were to heirs of Johan Koch, 320 acres; Wilhelm B. Johnson, 320 acres; Dan Lazar, 240 acres; Ella L. Brown, 80 acres; Ralph Steffani, 160 acres; Martin L. Bechtel, 200 acres; Elias E. Wirtala, 40 acres; Frank A. Parker, 160 acres; Paul M. Graves, 160 acres; Mary L. Denson, formerly Mary L. Stinson, 320 acres; Francis J. Carlin, 320 acres; Herbert T. Cleary, 320 acres; Ole A. Rosholt, 160 acres; Alex D. Lodinoff, 200 acres; Louis Nelson, 160 acres; Allin H. Crawford, 320 acres; Amma Bornholdt, 160 acres; William George Hickman, 320 acres; Fred E. Lennertz, 40 acres; John Sanderson, 160 acres; George Hickman, 320 acres; James A. Brazee, Jr., 160 acres; Carl E. Rosok, 160 acres; John L. Skaw, 320 acres; Jesse W. Bunch, 240 acres; Arnold Pfenniger, 200 acres; Fred Bornholdt, 160 acres; Cornelius H. Van Den Bos, 80 acres; Bert R. Adler, 120 acres; James J. Tucker, 320 acres; Louis M. Mitchell, 280 acres.

Homestead/land patents - "Great Falls (MT) Tribune" Saturday 30 Dec 1922 p 11

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tucker of Kalispell, and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Meinecke of Billings and two children, were visitors in town Sunday.

James Joseph Tucker & wife Alice Alexander Tucker - "Carbon County News" (Red Lodge MT) Thursday 8 Oct 1925 p 5

Four Baseball Teams Formed at Kalispell

Special to The Tribune.

Kalispell, May 20.—Baseball enthusiasts were invited to come out this week with rakes and hoes to help put the old baseball diamond north of the tracks into shape for the summer season, the committee in charge of securing grounds having decided to rent the old place. Up to date, four teams have been organized: The Railroaders, under Arthur Montgomery; the K. M. under J. H. Chester; the Modern Woodmen under Sam Roe; and the Owls in charge of Joe Tucker. A tentative schedule will be arranged this week, and officers elected for the Twilight league.

“Great Falls (MT) Tribune” Friday 21 May 1926 p 4

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tucker of Kalispell were business visitors in Red Lodge Friday and guests at the home of O. H. P. Shelley.

James Joseph Tucker & wife Alice Alexander Tucker – divorced May 1928 - “Carbon County News” (Red Lodge MT) Thursday 14 Jul 1927 p 5

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tucker of Kalispell were callers in Eureka Friday.

James Joseph Tucker & wife Madelyn Lillian Bellmore Tucker - "Libby (MT) Western News"
Thursday 15 Sep 1932 p 3

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tucker of Kalispell were week-end guests at the home of Mrs. Tucker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bellmore.

James Joseph Tucker & Madelyn Lillian Tucker - "Kalispell (MT) Daily Inter-Lake" Tuesday
10 Jan 1933 p 4

**Several Initiated
by V. F. W. Post at
Kalispell Meeting**

Special to The Tribune.

KALISPELL, Feb. 16.—Four regular and one honorary members were inducted into Glacier Park post of Veterans of Foreign Wars at a meeting held in the Kalispell hall.

Clifford Griffith, Frank Duffy, Robert Lester and Henry Busse were the four regular members. Ted Burton was made an honorary member.

Some 100 attended the initiation and entertainment. A radio address by National Commander James Van Zandt was a feature of the evening. Commander Joe Tucker of the post presided.

"Great Falls (MT) Tribune" Sunday 17 Feb 1935 p 5

KALISPELL VETERANS TO ATTEND DISTRICT MEETING AT BOZEMAN

Commander and Mrs. Joe Tucker will leave Saturday afternoon for the district convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars to be held in Hamilton Sunday. They will be accompanied by Andrew Fleutch, Jerry Clifford, Chester Wall, Erling Isakson, Harry L. Brown, George Butte and others.

Mrs. Bessie Isakson, president of the local Auxiliary will also head a delegation of three cars of the Auxiliary who have signified their intentions of making the trip.

The Kalispell delegation will make the trip by motor and are expected to be joined by the following: Mr. and Mrs. Jack England, Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Stringlund of Whitefish. District Commander and Mrs. Claude Cowman, Polson, Mr. Cowman will head a delegation of six or seven cars. The members will be met in Missoula by Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Brayman, state commander of the V. F. W.

"Kalispell (MT) Daily Inter-Lake" Saturday 16 Nov 1935 p 2

SAYS V. F. W. WILL CONTINUE TO FIGHT FOR BONUS MEASURE

With virtual assurance that immediate cash payment of World war veterans' adjusted service certificates will be authorized by the national congress early in its next session the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States plans to continue its militant fight in behalf of the measure up to the very moment of its enactment.

In making this statement at a meeting of Glacier Park Post No. 2252, Commander Joe Tucker declared a relaxation of pressure is the only danger to be avoided.

"When Congress adjourned last summer without passing a bonus bill to take the place of the Patman measure vetoed by President Roosevelt, leaders in both houses promised the V. F. W. and other friends of the bonus that it would be among the first measures to be considered at the 1936 session of congress," Commander Tucker said.

Commander Tucker declared that the V. F. W. consistently has led this fight for the last ten years and that public sentiment has developed to the point where enactment of a bonus bill virtually is assured. He also stated that the V. F. W. is making no demands as to the method of payment to be provided by congress.

TWO SMALL BLAZES.

Kalispell, July 21.—(Special)—Two small blazes, one caused by smokers, were reported to the Northern Montana Forest association headquarters today, according to A. E. Boorman, secretary of the group.

A fire covering approximately one-half acre, thought to be a hold-over lightning blaze, was reported near Henry Good's ranch on the old Whitefish road. A five-man crew was sent to the scene and reported that the flames were under control.

Thought to have been caused by a smoker, a sawdust fire at the old Kelsy Mill, near the Bitter Root lake, was reported. Joe Tucker reported that he had trenched the scene so that it could not spread and that the land owners had been notified.

"The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Thursday 22 Jul 1937 p 2

SURVIVORS OF THE TUSCANIA SINKING TO HAVE REUNION

Yesterday was the twenty-third anniversary of the sinking of the American troopship *Tuscania* off the west coast of Ireland and local survivors, of which there were 12 from Kalispell, are planning some kind of a reunion as has been their custom for the past score of years.

Perhaps one of the most interesting accounts of the *Tuscania* disaster was contained in a letter written by Stewart Cairncross, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Cairncross of Kalispell, who was with the 20 Engineers, Sixth battalion, Company E.

"We were in the center of a convoy of 12 ships, with eight destroyers around it, and had been in sight of the Ulster coast all afternoon. At about 6 o'clock we were torpedoed and all the lights went out. I was in bed taking a nap at the time, but got on deck with the rest of them. As soon as the ship was hit it took a big list to the starboard and stayed there. I had my belt tied up to be used for a seat and had a hard time with it. When I got on top the rest of the boats had run, except a destroyer, which was snaking all around us with no lights.

"I helped get No. 14 away, with John Morrow, Joe Tucker and Fred Metcalf in it, and went to work on my boat, No. 14-A.

"The forward fall broke and it dropped and plowed for a while but we went down the falls and bailed out and got away all right. The ship stayed up for a little better than three hours, which was lucky for the rest of the boys. They didn't all have as good luck as we.

"We were out six hours and were picked up by a British trawler and taken to an Irish port. Say, we were the first American troops ever seen in Erin and you ought to have seen our welcome. They treated us like little tin gods for the two days and a half we were there. Best rooms, best grub and the girls filled up the rest of our time with shows, eats, tobacco, dances, concerts, and we had a parade with the naval band. Lots of boys had temporary homes with private families and the town was open for us. The mayor told us if we wanted anything we only had to ask for it or hint it and it was ours.

Mr. Cairncross now lives on the coast, but there are still half a dozen or more survivors of the torpedoed ship living here. His letter on the disaster was written to his sister, Miss Marjorie Cairncross, who was living in Spokane at the time, and was published in the *Spokesman Review* on March 18, 1918.

"Kalispell (MT) Daily Inter-Lake" Thursday 6 Feb 1941 p 9

Remembering

By Phyllis Clark
Family Editor

Today is a special day for two Kalispell men—Fred Metcalf and Joe Basye are the only two living of the eight men from Kalispell who survived the sinking of the *Tuscania*. The ill-fated *Tuscania* was torpedoed off the coast of Scotland Feb. 5, 1918, making it the first casualty of the United States in World War I. The men were part of the famed 17th Company 20th Engineers which was on its way to Europe to build the miles of trenches, the thousands of warehouses, the great hospital units, the miles of railways and the acres of piers and docks needed when the United States entered World War I.

Metcalf and Basye were among the first American doughboys to go across the Atlantic to set up for the

fighting men. The two men will long remember that night of horror on the stormy sea with its jagged rocky shoreline, where 385 men lost their lives. They occasionally get together to talk about their struggle for survival in overloaded lifeboats after the *Tuscania* was ripped apart by a German submarine.

Of the eight men aboard the *Tuscania* from Kalispell, all eight survived. Other survivors from Kalispell include the late Pete Lavelle, John Morrow, Emil Anderson, Stewart Cairncross, Joe Tucker and Walter Damon. The late John C. MacMillan, a one-time Kalispell resident who enlisted from South Dakota, was also one of the survivors.

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“Kalispell (MT) Daily Inter-Lake” Tuesday 5 Feb 1974 p 8

Wife Lura Prowse:

## Laura Terrill

in the Montana, U.S., County Marriage Records, 1865-1993

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|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Name           | Laura Terrill                  |
| Gender         | Female                         |
| Record Type    | Marriage                       |
| Marriage Date  | 7 Sep 1917                     |
| Marriage Place | Missoula, Montana, USA         |
| Spouse         | <a href="#">James G Tucker</a> |
| Film Number    | 001888846                      |
| DGS            | 004350509                      |

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No. 4181

## MARRIAGE LICENSE

STATE OF MONTANA, )  
COUNTY OF MISSOULA, ) ss.

TO ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGES—GREETING:

You are hereby authorized to join in lawful wedlock and celebrate within this County the rites and ceremonies of Marriage between

James G. Tucker a man, whose color is white  
 whose residence is Kalispell, Mont., whose age is 24 years.  
 Born at Helena, County of Nichols and  
 State of Mont., and who has not been previously married or divorced.  
 His Father's Christian and Surname is W. F. Tucker  
 His Mother's Christian and Maiden name was Jennie M. Britton  
 and Lura Terrill a woman, whose color is white, whose residence  
 is Kalispell, Mont., whose age is 20 years.  
 Born at Paducah, County of Haskell and  
 State of Ky., and who has not been previously married or divorced.  
 Her Father's Christian and Surname is M. L. Brown  
 Her Mother's Christian and Maiden name was Laura King

Both parties being legally competent to enter into such contract of marriage. And this shall be your good and sufficient warrant therefor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal,  
 this 7th day of Sept. A. D. 1917.  
H. M. Brown  
 Clerk District Court.

By Frank J. Jones Deputy.

**MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE**

STATE OF MONTANA, )  
COUNTY OF MISSOULA, )

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the undersigned, a Presbyterian Minister  
did, on the seventh day of September, A. D. 1917  
at Missoula, in the said County of Missoula and State of Montana,  
join in lawful wedlock James G. Tucker  
and Laura Terrill with their mutual consent.

In the presence of  
Rev. J. N. Maclean Witness  
and Norman Maclean

WITNESS my hand this seventh day of September, 1917.  
John Norman Maclean D.D.  
First Presbyterian Church

Filed for Record this 13th day of September, 1917, at 3 o'clock P.M.  
H. M. Rawns  
Clerk District Court.  
By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.

Marriage to Lura Terrill on 7 Sep 1917 in Missoula, Missoula MT -

[https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/90314720:61578?tid=&pid=&queryId=0180d41c0741b42819f2609a674a76f4&\\_phsrc=hFB63208&\\_phstart=succesSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/90314720:61578?tid=&pid=&queryId=0180d41c0741b42819f2609a674a76f4&_phsrc=hFB63208&_phstart=succesSource)

**Tucker-Terrill.**  
James J. Tucker and Laura Terrill, both of Kalispell, were married last evening at the Presbyterian manse in the presence of the necessary witnesses, Rev. J. N. Maclean, D. D., officiating.

Marriage in Sep 1917 – “Daily Missoulian” (Missoula MT) Sunday 9 Sep 1917 p 12

## **WANTS MARRIAGE ANNULED**

Special to The Daily Tribune.

Kalispell, Oct. 17.—James J. Tucker has filed suit for annulment of marriage against Laura Krider. The couple were married in early September. It is now alleged that before their marriage she was wedded to Joseph Krider, who is said to be in Dubuque, Iowa, and from whom she had not obtained a divorce.

“Great Falls (MT) Tribune” Thursday 18 Oct 1917 p 2

Minnie H. Colvin has also begun an action for divorce against Harry J. Colvin, alleging non-support. The plaintiff now resides at Browning. Mabel Young has also started the same kind of an action against Joseph Young on the same grounds and J. J. Tucker, of Glacier park, a former service man, asks for a separation from Laura Tucker, alleging the defendant deserted him.

James Joseph Tucker asks for a divorce from Laura Terrill Tucker on the grounds of her desertion – “Great Falls (MT) Tribune” Saturday 28 Feb 1920 p 5

and now is the legally wedded wife of said George H. Tucker, and  
 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE  
 STATE OF MONTANA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF FLATHEAD.

.....  
 has been and now is the wife.

JAMES J. TUCKER, (   
 Plaintiff. )   
 -VS- ) C O M P L A I N T.   
 LAURA KRIDER, (   
 Defendant. )

.....

*Logan & Child  
 Attys for Plaintiff*

The Plaintiff for cause of action against the above named  
 Defendant alleges:

I.

That for more than one year next preceding the commence-  
 ment of this action, this Plaintiff was, ever since has been and  
 now is a bona fide resident of Montana.

## .II.

That at the City of Missoula in the County of Missoula, State of Montana, on or about the 7th day of September, 1917 this Plaintiff and the above named Defendant under and in pursuance of a marriage license duly and legally issued by the Clerk of the Court of the Fourth Judicial District of the State of Montana, in and for the County of Flathead, entered into a marriage service in the City of Missoula, before a regularly ordained minister of the gospel and ever since said date and until the discovery of the facts hereinafter stated have lived in co-habitation as man and wife.

## III.

Upon information and belief, Plaintiff alleges that on or about the 4th day of March, 1917 at the city of Du Buque, in the State of Iowa, the above named Defendant was duly, regularly and legally married to one Joseph M. Krider and ever since said date has been

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and now is the legally wedded wife of said Joseph M. Krider, and that said marriage between said Defendant and said Joseph M. Krider at all times mentioned in this complaint, was, ever since has been and now is in force.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that the said marriage between this Plaintiff and this Defendant be annulled and declared void by a decree of this Court and that Plaintiff have such other and further relief, as he may seem entitled.

STATE OF MONTANA ( )  
COUNTY OF FLATHEAD ( ) SS

*Loyon & Child*  
*Attys for Plaintiff*

James<sup>J.</sup> Tucker, being first duly sworn deposes and says: that he is the Plaintiff in the above entitled action; that he has read the foregoing complaint and knows the contents thereof and that the same is true of his own knowledge, save and except as to those matters and things as are therein stated on information and belief and as to those matters and things he believes it to be true.

James J. Tucker,

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1917.

Ernest M. Chiles

NOTARY PUBLIC for the State of Montana  
Residing at Kalispell, Mont.  
My Commission expires Nov. 13, 1918.

James Joseph Tucker requests that his marriage to Laura Terrill [Krider] on 7 Sep 1917 in Missoula MT be declared invalid because she had married Joseph M. Krider on 4 Mar 1917 in Iowa -

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/900003236:61254>

## Lura Prowse

in the Montana, U.S., County Marriage Records, 1865-1993

|                |                         |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| Name           | Lura Prowse             |
| Gender         | Female                  |
| Marriage Age   | 19                      |
| Record Type    | Marriage                |
| Birth Year     | abt 1894                |
| Marriage Date  | 25 Nov 1913             |
| Marriage Place | Kalispell, Montana, USA |
| Father         | M L Prowse              |
| Mother         | Luro King               |
| Spouse         | Harold A Terrill        |
| Film Number    | 001902479               |
| DGS            | 004350527               |

Lura Prowse – marriage on 25 Nov 1913 in Kalispell, Flathead MT to Harold A. Terrill –  
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/900129682:61375>

**KALISPELL.**

KALISPELL, Mont.—H. H. Dingman left last week for points in Alberta, where he will look after business interests for a few weeks.

L. A. Pratum has resigned his position at the Farmers' store and is getting a camp ready on his place near Somers to commence operations on his tie contract.

Miss Lura Prowse was married here to Harold Terrill a few days ago, the ceremony taking place at the home of the bride's parents, with the Rev. Clarence Mitchell of the Christian church officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Terrill departed after the ceremony for Portland, Ore., where they will make their future home.

Marriage of Lura Prowse to Harold A. Terrill - "Spokane (WA) Spokesman-Review" Friday 28 Nov 1913 p 2

# BOYS DROWNED WHILE FISHING

**Boat Occupied by Harold Terrill  
and Vere Corbin Capsizes  
and Lives Are Lost.**

Special to the Daily Tribune.

Kalispell, June 8.—Harold Terrill and J. Vere Corbin, two well known young men of this city who lost their lives below the Northwestern dam. Tuesday night, when their boat capsized, have not yet been found, although the entire force of the authorities and a large number of friends have kept up constant search to recover the bodies.

Deputy Sheriff Knudson and F. W. Modesitt had a very narrow escape Wednesday morning when their boat was upset in the current among the drift wood below the Anderson place.

Harold Terrill and Vere Corbin were fishing in front of the pier on the south side of the dam and the swift back current between the gate and the spillway caught the boat and capsized it. Both boys came up and caught the boat and some say clung to the boat for five minutes, when their combined weight submerged the bow and the craft caught by the current, revolved and neither of the young men were able to retain their hold.

Both young men have grown to manhood in Kalispell, were educated here, and were held in the highest esteem by all who knew them. The Somers Lumber company has shut off the water in the storage reservoirs at Tallys lake and the upper Stillwater, but it is thought it will be 48 hours before the water will go down in the river, and until that time it is believed that there is small hope of recovering the bodies.

## ONE BODY FOUND.

Special to The Daily Tribune.

Malta, June 8.—The body of little Elmer Brown, the Dodson boy who was drowned in Milk river last week, has been found near the point where the drowning took place. Coroner Tucker has gone to take charge of the remains.

Professional divers with apparatus arrived from Seattle today to continue the search for the body of Deputy assessor Murphy.

Drowning death of Harold A. Terrill – "Great Falls (MT) Tribune" Friday 9 Jun 1916 p 3

## TWO BODIES ARE FOUND AT LAST

Special to The Daily Tribune.

Kalispell, June 20.—The bodies of Vere Corbin and Harold Terrill, who were drowned at the Northwestern dam June 6, and who had been given up as lost, were recovered Sunday afternoon at five o'clock. Terrill's body was found by young Masters a short distance below the railroad bridge and shortly after C. M. Anderson telephoned the sheriff that the other body had been floating in the eddy near his place, which is just below the dam. Both bodies were in very bad condition. They were weighed down by hip boots and fish baskets strapped to them. A joint funeral service was held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Methodist church conducted by Rev. E. H. Clark of the Baptist church and Rev. L. L. Totten of the Presbyterian church. There were many beautiful flowers and the bearers were from among the fellow employes of the Kalispell Mercantile company.

"Great Falls (MT) Tribune" Wednesday 21 Jun 1916 p 3

## Lura Ferrell

in the Iowa, U.S., Marriage Records, 1880-1945

Lura Ferrell  
[Lura Prowse]

Female

American

20

abt 1897

Kalispell Mont

4 Mar 1917

Dubuque, Iowa, USA

Emil Prowse

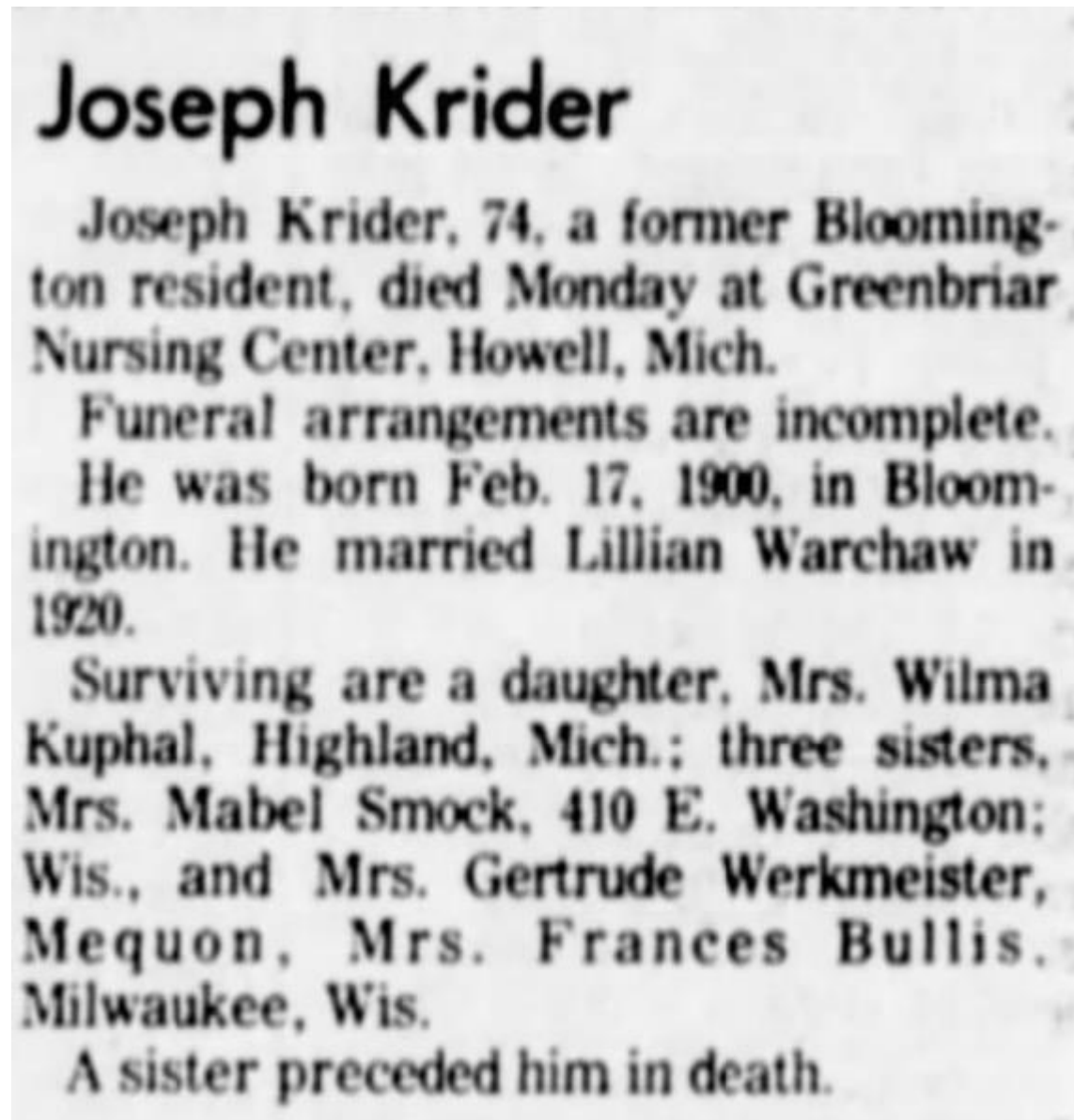
L King

Joseph N Krider

|    |                     |             |                  |                |    |                 |
|----|---------------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|----|-----------------|
| 1  | 3084                | 1           | Joseph Z. Krider | 6 years 23     | 10 | Bloomington Ill |
|    |                     |             |                  | 7              |    |                 |
|    | Feb 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2           | Bloomington Ill  | 8              | 11 | Joseph Krider   |
|    |                     |             |                  | 9              | 12 | Anna J. Krider  |
| 13 | Lura Terrill        | 16 years 20 | 20               | Kalispell Mont | 23 | at Dubuque Iowa |
|    |                     | 17          |                  |                |    | Feb 4 1917      |
| 14 | Kalispell Mont      | 18          | 21               | Emil Prasse    | 24 |                 |
| 15 |                     | 19          | 22               | L. King        | 25 | at Dubuque Iowa |

Marriage of Lura Terrill to Joseph Krider on 4 Mar 1917 in Dubuque IA -

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/903742143:8823>



Obituary of Joseph Krider – "Bloomington (IL) Pantagraph" 9 Apr 1974 p 26

**Joseph N Krider**  
in the Michigan, U.S., Death Index, 1971-1996

Joseph N Krider

17 Feb 1897

8 Apr 1974

Male

Highland, Oakland, Michigan

Howell, Livingston, Michigan

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/778547:3171>

**Joseph Krider**  
in the U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014

|                        |                                         |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Name                   | Joseph Krider                           |
| Social Security Number | 389-07-5626                             |
| Birth Date             | 17 Feb 1897                             |
| Issue year             | Before 1951                             |
| Issue State            | Wisconsin                               |
| Last Residence         | 48031, Highland, Oakland, Michigan, USA |
| Death Date             | Apr 1974                                |

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/34475924:3693>

This blank to be filled in by the Minister, Priest or official performing the marriage ceremony and returned to the County Auditor of the county in which the marriage took place, within ten days from the date of marriage. Write PLAINLY with unfading ink. This is a permanent record. See that EVERY BLANK is properly filled. License issued at Vancouver, Washington.

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**CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE**

PLACE OF MARRIAGE, County of Clark Town of Vancouver

GROOM Personal and Statistic Particulars BRIDE

|                                                                        |                                                  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Full Name <u>Louis W. Schultz</u>                                      | Full Name <u>Lura Harvey</u>                     |
| Residence <u>394 E. 13th Portland, Ore</u>                             | Residence <u>394 E. 13th Portland, Ore</u>       |
| Age at last Birthday <u>40</u> Years                                   | Age at last Birthday <u>28</u> Years             |
| Color or Race <u>White</u>                                             | Color or Race <u>White</u>                       |
| Single, Widowed or Divorced <u>Single</u>                              | Single, Widowed or Divorced <u>Divorced</u>      |
| Number of Marriages <u>1st</u>                                         | Number of Marriages <u>2nd</u>                   |
| Birthplace <u>Minn</u> State or County                                 | Birthplace <u>Minn</u> State or County           |
| Occupation <u>Machineist</u>                                           | Occupation <u>Machine Teacher</u>                |
| Name of Father <u>Herman Schultz</u>                                   | Name of Father <u>Mike Prouse</u>                |
| Birthplace of Father <u>Minn</u> State or County                       | Birthplace of Father <u>Minn</u> State or County |
| Maiden Name of Mother <u>Luna Bergstrom</u>                            | Maiden Name of Mother <u>Lura King</u>           |
| Birthplace of Mother <u>Minn</u> State or County                       | Birthplace of Mother <u>Minn</u> State or County |
| Maiden Name of Bride, if She Was Previously Married <u>Lura Prouse</u> |                                                  |

We, the groom and bride named in this certificate, hereby certify that the information given herein is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Louis W. Schultz Groom Lura Harvey Bride

CERTIFICATE OF PERSON PERFORMING CEREMONY

I HEREBY CERTIFY That Louis W. Schultz and Lura Harvey were joined in Marriage by me in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington, at Vancouver this 3rd day of February 1931

Signatures of Witnesses: Mrs. Ruth M. Fadden Res. Portland St. No. 100  
Mary W. Kuzman Res. Vancouver St. No. 100

Signature of the person performing ceremony: P. L. Thompson  
 Official Station Minister  
 Residence Vancouver, W. Va.

Marriage of Lura Harvey to Louis W. Schultz on 3 Feb 1931 in Vancouver, Clark WA -  
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/905811559:2378>

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## Certificate of Marriage

STATE OF WASHINGTON }  
County of Clark }

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That on the 3rd day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and 31 at Vancouver in the County and State aforesaid, I, the undersigned, a Minister, by authority of a license bearing date the 3rd day of February A. D. 1931, and issued by the County Auditor of Clark County, Washington, DID JOIN IN LAWFUL WEDLOCK

Louis W. Schultz of the County of Mult State of: Ore and  
Lura Harvey of the County of " State of "

IN THE PRESENCE OF

Witnesses: Mrs Ruth M. Fadden P. L. Thompson  
Marg W. Burzeman Vancouver, Wa

Signed: Louis W. Schultz Groom.  
Signed: Lura Harvey Bride.

**FILED**  
FEB 10 1931  
CLARK COUNTY CLERK CLARK CO.

NOTE---This Certificate must be returned to County Clerk of the County in which marriage is performed within ten days of the date of marriage

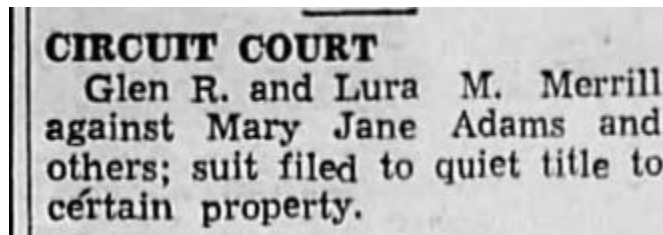
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### Louis W. Schultz

in the U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014

|                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Name                   | Louis W. Schultz |
| Social Security Number | 474-40-2180      |
| Birth Date             | 19 Jul 1892      |
| Issue year             | 1955             |
| Issue State            | Minnesota        |
| Death Date             | 8 May 1990       |

Is this him? - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/55547319:3693>



Is this her? – except Lura Merrill was in the Oregon State Hospital for the Insane by May 1940 - “Eugene (OR) Guard” Wednesday 30 Dec 1942 p 3

## Lura Merrill

in the U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014

|                        |                                         |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Name                   | Lura Merrill                            |
| Social Security Number | 542-60-8342                             |
| Birth Date             | 21 Mar 1894                             |
| Issue year             | 1965                                    |
| Issue State            | Oregon                                  |
| Last Residence         | 97206, Portland, Multnomah, Oregon, USA |
| Death Date             | Jul 1976                                |

[https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/41845120:3693?tid=85113378&pid=322368990457&queryId=a71f0a021d48f6a0d12d7083107f8f68&\\_phsrc=hFB63213&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/41845120:3693?tid=85113378&pid=322368990457&queryId=a71f0a021d48f6a0d12d7083107f8f68&_phsrc=hFB63213&_phstart=successSource)

## Lura Merrill

in the Oregon, U.S., Death Index, 1898-2008

|             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| Name        | Lura Merrill |
| Age         | 82           |
| Birth Date  | Mar 1894     |
| Death Date  | 5 Jul 1976   |
| Death Place | Curry        |
| Certificate | 76-10825     |

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/529184:5254>

## Wife Alice Alexander Tucker Sagehorn

is employed on the section at Benton.  
 Miss Alice Alexander, daughter of  
 J. C. Alexander of this city, and  
 James Joseph Tucker, were married  
 at the home of the bride's father,  
 the Rev. George M. Fisher officiating.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Tucker will make their  
 home here.

Marriage of James Joseph Tucker & Alice Alexander – “Anaconda (MT) Standard” Friday 12  
 Nov 1920 p 8

No. 4224 ✓

**MARRIAGE LICENSE**

STATE OF MONTANA, } ss.  
 County of Flathead.

TO ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGES, GREETING:

You are hereby authorized to join in lawful wedlock, and celebrate within this County the rites and ceremonies of Marriage between

James Joseph Tucker a man, whose color is white, whose residence is Kalispell, Mont.  
 whose age is 26 years; born at Nelson, County of Nuckolls and State of Nebr. and who has  
 been previously married & divorced His father's christian and surname is William Francis Tucker  
 His mother's christian and maiden name was Jennie Mineriva Pritts Alice Alexander  
white, whose residence is Kalispell, Mont. whose age is 20 years; born at  
Wheatland, County of Larnee and State of Wyoming and who has not been previously married  
 Her father's christian and surname is John C. Alexander Her  
 mother's christian and maiden name was Melinda Fosket both parties being legally competent  
 to enter into such contract of Marriage. And this shall be your good and sufficient warrant therefor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this 8th day of November 19-20

R. N. Eaton  
 Clerk of District Court.

By H. B. Black  
 Deputy.

**MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE**

STATE OF MONTANA, } ss.  
 County of Flathead.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the undersigned, a Minister of the Gospel  
 did, on the 8th day of Nov. A. D. 19-20 at Kalispell in the said County of Flathead and  
 State of Montana, join in lawful wedlock James Joseph Tucker and Miss Alice Alexander  
 with their mutual consent.

In the presence of

J. C. Alexander } Witnesses.  
W. F. Tucker }

WITNESS my hand, this 8th day of November 19-20

Geo. McVey Fisher  
 (Signature only) Officiating.

R. N. Eaton  
 Clerk.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
 Deputy.

Filed for record this 10th day of November 19-20

MT marriage record of Alice Alexander & James Joseph Tucker – 8 Nov 1920 Kalispell,  
Flathead MT -

[https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/60062/images/MM9.3.1\\_2FTH-267-11622-90546-16?pld=921403](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/60062/images/MM9.3.1_2FTH-267-11622-90546-16?pld=921403)

Mrs. Joe Tucker of Kalispell was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. P. Shelley for a few days during the week. She returned to Billings on Saturday to visit relatives before returning to her home.

Wife Alice Alexander Tucker - "Carbon County News" (Red Lodge MT) Thursday 15 Jan 1925  
p 5

Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Meinecke and family, of Billings, accompanied by Mrs. Joe Tucker, spent Sunday in Red Lodge, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. P. Shelly. They made the trip via auto.

Wife Alice Alexander Tucker - "Carbon County News" (Red Lodge MT) Thursday 12 Feb 1925 p 5

Alice A. Tucker has started a divorce action in district court against James Joseph Tucker on the grounds of mental cruelty. They were married at Kalispell on Nov. 8, 1920.

"Billings (MT) Gazette" Saturday 28 Apr 1928 p 4

**DIVORCE GRANTED.**

A decree of divorce was granted Alice Alexander Tucker from James J. Tucker, in Judge O. F. Goddard's division of the district court Thursday afternoon. The defendant, who is now believed to be in Kalispell, waived his rights and entered a default. The plaintiff was awarded alimony of \$300 to be paid at \$25 per month for one year. \*\*\*

Divorce & alimony granted to Alice Alexander Tucker –“Billings (MT) Gazette” Friday 4 May 1928 p 6

| <b>Alice A Tucker</b><br>in the Oregon, U.S., Marriage Indexes, 1906-2009 |                      |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Name                                                                      | Alice A Tucker       |
| Gender                                                                    | Female               |
| Marriage Date                                                             | 23 Jun 1929          |
| Marriage Place                                                            | Klamath, Oregon, USA |
| Spouse                                                                    | Leo P Sagehorn       |

Marriage of Leo Paul Sagehorn & Alice Alexander Tucker on 23 Jun 1928 [not 1929]. She died 17 Jul 1929 - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/904209032:5193>

Leo P. Sagehorn was granted a license to wed Alice A. Tucker at the office of the county clerk, Friday afternoon. Both gave their address as Kirk.

“Klamath News” (Klamath Falls OR) Saturday 23 Jun 1928 p 3

**Alice Alexander Sagehorn**  
Friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services for the late Alice Alexander Sagehorn to be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Earl Whitlock Funeral Home, Pine Avenue at Sixth with Rev. V. K. Allison pastor of the First Christian church officiating.

Obituary of Alice Alexander Tucker Sagehorn – "Klamath Falls (OR) Evening Herald"  
Thursday 18 Jul 1929 p 8

## Death Claims Kirk Resident

Mrs. Leo P. Sagehorn, prominent resident of Kirk, died in this city Wednesday morning at 5:25 o'clock, following a brief illness. She was born at Wheatland, Wyo., December 21, 1900, and was 28 years of age at the time of death.

Mrs. Sagehorn is survived by her husband, her father, J. C. Alexander of Billings, Mont., four sisters, Mrs. John Johnson of Macdonald, Calif., Mrs. H. E. Melnecke, of Billings, Mont., Mrs. Frank Sekula, of Switzerland, Mrs. Jerry O'Callaghan of Klamath Falls, and three brothers, Selden Alexander, of Billings, Mont., Wayne F. Alexander of San Diego, Calif., and J. C. Alexander, of San Francisco.

The remains are at the Earl Whitlock Funeral Home. Announcement of funeral arrangements will be made later.

"Klamath News" (Klamath Falls OR) Thursday 18 Jul 1929 p 5

**OREGON STATE BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

1 PLACE OF DEATH State Registered No. 171  
County Klamath State Oregon Local Registered No. 147  
Township \_\_\_\_\_ or Village \_\_\_\_\_ or  
City Klamath Falls No. Hillside Hospital St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_  
(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its name instead of street and number)

2 FULL NAME ALICE ALEXANDER SAGEHORN  
(a) Residence No. \_\_\_\_\_ St. Kirk Oregon  
(Usual place of abode) (If nonresident, give city or town and state)  
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

|                        |                                 |                                                                           |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3 SEX<br><u>female</u> | 4 COLOR OR RACE<br><u>white</u> | 5 Single, Married, Widowed or divorced (write the word)<br><u>married</u> |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|

5a If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of Leo P. Sagehorn

6 DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) Dec 21 1900

7 AGE Years Months Days If less than 1 day, hrs. or min.  
28 6 26

8 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED  
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work housewife  
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)  
(c) Name of employer \_\_\_\_\_

9 BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Wheatland (State or country) Wyoming

**PARENTS**

10 NAME OF FATHER J. J. Alexander

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (city or town) Wheatland (State or country) Wyoming

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Melinda Foshat

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (city or town) Wheatland (State or country) Wyoming

14 Informant Leo Sagehorn  
(Address) Kirk, Oregon

15 Filed 7-20, 1929 L. S. Newberry

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

16 DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) July 17 1929

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from July 13 1929, to July 17th 1929, that I last saw her alive on July 17th 1929, and that death occurred on the date stated above, at 5:30 A. M.

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows: Septicemia  
ca - Not known if  
puerperal (X)

(duration) yrs. mos. days

CONTRIBUTORY Unknown  
(Secondary) yrs. mos. days

18 Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? \_\_\_\_\_

Did an operation precede death? no Date of \_\_\_\_\_

For relief of what condition? \_\_\_\_\_

Was there an autopsy? no

What test confirmed diagnosis? clinical

(Signed) E. S. Johnson M. D.  
July 17, 1929 (address) Klamath Falls

\* State the Disease Causing Death, or in death from Violent Cause, state (1) Means and Nature of Injury, and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal. (See reverse side for additional space.)

19 PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION OR REMOVAL Funerale cemetery DATE OF BURIAL July 21 1929

20 UNDERTAKER EARL WHITLOCK ADDRESS Klamath Falls

OR death record of Alice Alexander Tucker Sagehorn – died of septicemia – “not known if puerperal” - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/408515:61675>

## **Leo Sagehorn**

Sheep and cattle rancher

At his request, no services will be conducted for Leo Sagehorn, longtime Northern California sheep and cattle rancher. He died of heart failure Thursday at his ranch in Fort Bidwell, Modoc County.

Mr. Sagehorn, 90, was born to a Mendocino ranching family. He was one of six sons who followed their parents into the ranching business. He moved to Modoc County and worked as a shepherd in 1918, and he was a partner in a sheep ranching business two years later.

From 1930 to 1949, Mr. Sagehorn operated in western Modoc County, in the Tule Lake, Modoc Lava Bed and Glass Mountain areas. He became a cattle rancher in 1949 and bought the Ash ranch in Fort Bidwell that same year, adding additional holdings in the area and also operating a summer range in eastern Klamath County in Oregon.

Mr. Sagehorn was an honorary life member of the Modoc County Historical Society, an honorary member of the Modoc Cattlemen's Association and a longtime member of the California Wool Growers Association.

Mr. Sagehorn is survived by stepsons, Jerry A. O'Callaghan of Bethesda, Md., and Maurice O'Callaghan of Fort Bidwell; brothers, Charles of Ukiah, August of Sacramento and Ernest of Folsom; sisters, Charlotte Rucker of Ukiah and Ann Christy of Sacramento.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Alice Alexander Sagehorn, who died in 1929, and his second wife, Marie J. O'Callaghan Sagehorn, who died in 1985.

Obituary of Leo Paul Sagehorn – "Sacramento (CA) Bee" Wednesday 25 Apr 1990 p 19

Wife Madelyn Lillian Bellmore Tucker Buchanan

# James Joseph Tucker

in the Washington, U.S., Marriage Records, 1854-2013

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STATE OF WASHINGTON, }  
COUNTY OF SPOKANE, } ss. **DAKOT M. LUCAS, Minister**

MAY 20 1932

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the undersigned, a Minister  
by authority of a License bearing date the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May A. D. 1932  
and issued by the County Auditor of the County of Spokane did, on the 16 day of  
May, A. D. 1932 at Spokane in the County and State aforesaid, join  
IN LAWFUL WEDLOCK James Joseph Tucker  
of Halifax, State of Mont.  
and Madeline L. Bellmore of Mont Big Fork  
State of Mont, with their mutual assent, in the presence of  
Floyd H. Rowe and Rosie Rowe witnesses.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness the signatures of the parties to said ceremony, the witnesses and myself,  
this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May A. D. 1932.

| WITNESSES              | PARTIES                               | OFFICIATING CLERGYMAN OR OFFICER             |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <u>Floyd H. Rowe</u>   | <u>James Joseph Tucker</u><br>Male    | <u>Henry Peter Morgan</u><br><u>Minister</u> |
| <u>Mrs. Rosie Rowe</u> | <u>Madeline L. Bellmore</u><br>Female | P. O. Address <u>Tacoma</u><br>Washington    |

This Certificate must be filed out and filed with the County Clerk of the County where the ceremony is performed, within 30 days after the ceremony. See Chapter 172, Laws of Washington of 1927.  
Failure to make and deliver Certificate to the County Clerk within 30 days is punishable by a fine of not less than \$25.00 or more than \$500.00. See Pierce's Code, Sec. 3714.

James Joseph Tucker married Madelyn Lillian Bellmore 16 May 1932 -

[https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1853838:2378?tid=&pid=&queryId=a1c310b4cb48d53845a44cdbc81f8fa&\\_phsrc=hFB63258&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1853838:2378?tid=&pid=&queryId=a1c310b4cb48d53845a44cdbc81f8fa&_phsrc=hFB63258&_phstart=successSource)

### Marriage Licenses.

W. Eldon Kittrell (23), Kellogg, Idaho, and Dorothy Fisher (23), Kellogg, Idaho. Noah Johnston (21), Bonners Ferry, Idaho, and Loretta Wendel (24), Bonners Ferry, Idaho.

J. J. Tucker (legal age), Kalispell, Mont., and Madeline L. Bellmore (legal age), Big Fork, Mont.

Steve McDonald (40), Nelson, B. C., and Edith Wood (25), Nelson, B. C.

Leon Garrett (25), Colfax, and Teresa Johnson (27), Colfax.

"Spokane (WA) Chronicle" Tuesday May 1932 p 18

Guests for the day were Mrs. Henry Dickey and Mrs. Joe Tucker.

James Joseph Tucker & wife Madelyn Lillian Bellmore Tucker – activities during a day at Christ Church – "Kalispell (MT) Daily Inter-Lake" Friday 2 Dec 1932 p 8

### MADELINE TUCKER IS SEEKING A DIVORCE

Charging wilful neglect and failure to provide, Madeline L. Tucker this morning instituted action for divorce against Joseph J. Tucker.

They were married in Spokane May 16, 1932, and have no children.

Divorce case of Madeline Bellmore Tucker vs. James Joseph Tucker (name here reversed to Joseph J. Tucker) - "Kalispell (MT) Daily Inter-Lake" Saturday 22 May 1937 p 5

# Madelyn L Buchanan

in the Montana, U.S., State Deaths, 1907-2018

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COLLECTED COPY, correcting death certificate filed 18 March 1963  
No. 16781---Correction made in name (Madeline) to Madelyn L

VS-15M-10-60  
STATE OF MONTANA

ORIGINAL FOR STATE REGISTRAR  
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
Bureau of Vital Statistics

Birth No. \_\_\_\_\_ State File No. **63 150023**

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. PLACE OF DEATH<br>a. COUNTY <b>Flathead</b>                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                              | 2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: Residence before admission)<br>a. STATE <b>Montana</b><br>b. COUNTY <b>Flathead</b>               |                                                                                        |
| b. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION<br><b>Bigfork</b>                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                              | c. LENGTH OF STAY IN ID<br><b>38 Years</b>                                                                                                                  | c. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION<br><b>Bigfork</b>                                           |
| d. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION<br>(If not in hospital, give street address)                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                              | d. STREET ADDRESS                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                        |
| e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS?<br>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                              |                                                                                              | e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS?<br>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>                                                             |                                                                                        |
| f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM?<br>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                            |                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                        |
| 3. NAME OF DECEASED<br>(Type or print)<br>First <b>Madelyn</b> Middle <b>L</b> Last <b>Buchanan</b>                                                                                                               |                                                                                              | 4. DATE OF DEATH<br>Month <b>March</b> Day <b>10</b> Year <b>1963</b>                                                                                       |                                                                                        |
| 5. SEX<br><b>Female</b>                                                                                                                                                                                           | 6. COLOR OR RACE<br><b>White</b>                                                             | 7. MARRIED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEVER MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/><br>WIDOWED <input type="checkbox"/> DIVORCED <input type="checkbox"/> | 8. DATE OF BIRTH<br><b>Sept. 2, 1910</b>                                               |
| 9. AGE (In years last birthday)<br><b>52</b>                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                              | 10. USUAL OCCUPATION (Other kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired)<br><b>Housewife</b>                                             |                                                                                        |
| 11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country)<br><b>Kent, Minnesota</b>                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                              | 12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY?<br><b>USA</b>                                                                                                                  |                                                                                        |
| 13. FATHER'S NAME<br><b>Fred Bellmore</b>                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                              | 14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME<br><b>Stella Miller</b>                                                                                                            |                                                                                        |
| 15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES?<br>(For no. or unknown) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, date year or dates of service                                                                        |                                                                                              | 16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.<br><b>536-20-5049</b>                                                                                                               |                                                                                        |
| 17. INFORMANT<br><b>Hugh W. Buchanan, Bigfork, Montana</b>                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                              | Address                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                        |
| 18. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).)<br>PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:<br>IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) <b>Massive Hemorrhage in left pleural cavity</b>                                 |                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                             | INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH<br><b>?</b>                                           |
| Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last:<br>DUE TO (b) <b>Carcinomatosis left breast</b>                                                                        |                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                        |
| DUE TO (c)                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                        |
| PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a)                                                                                 |                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                             | 19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED?<br>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 20a. ACCIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> SUICIDE <input type="checkbox"/> HOMICIDE <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                         | 20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of item 18.) |                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                        |
| 20c. TIME OF INJURY<br>Hour _____ Month _____ Day _____ Year _____<br>a. m. _____ p. m. _____                                                                                                                     |                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                        |
| 20d. INJURY OCCURRED<br>WHILE AT <input type="checkbox"/> NOT WHILE AT WORK <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                              | 20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e. g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)    | 20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION                                                                                                                                | COUNTY _____ STATE _____                                                               |
| 21. I attended the deceased from _____ Called after death 3-10-63 and last saw her alive on _____<br>Death occurred at _____ m on the date stated above; and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated. |                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                        |
| 22a. SIGNATURE<br>(Type or print)<br><b>Coroner</b>                                                                                                                                                               | 22b. ADDRESS<br><b>Kalispell, Montana</b>                                                    | 22c. DATE SIGNED<br><b>3-12-63</b>                                                                                                                          |                                                                                        |
| 23a. SIGNATURE<br>(Type or print)<br><b>Burial</b>                                                                                                                                                                | 23b. DATE<br><b>3-13-63</b>                                                                  | 23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY<br><b>Conrad Memorial Cem.</b>                                                                                           | 23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State)<br><b>Kalispell, Montana</b>             |
| 24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR<br><b>Weggen &amp; Campbell, Kalispell</b>                                                                                                                                                   | 25. DATE RECD. BY LOCAL REG.<br><b>3-12-63</b>                                               | 26. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE<br><b>Fay O. Leary</b>                                                                                                            |                                                                                        |

MT death record of Madelyn Lillian Bellmore Tucker Buchanan -

[https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/878561:5437?tid=&pid=&queryId=2880b88bf0c387c403823d368652947b&phsrc=hFB63262&_phstart=successSource)

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No. 7687 9/199

## MARRIAGE LICENSE

STATE OF MONTANA, } ss.  
County of Flathead.

TO ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGES, GREETING:

You are hereby authorized to join in lawful wedlock, and celebrate within this County the rites and ceremonies of Marriage between

HUGH W. BUCHANAN.....a man, whose color is white....., whose residence is Essex, Mont......  
 whose age is legal years; born at Davenport, Wash......and who has.....been previously married  
 & wife deceased.....His father's Christian and surname ~~is~~ was Duncan Buchanan.....  
 His mother's christian and maiden name was Nettie J. Wilton..... and MADELYN L. BELLMORE.....  
 .....a woman, whose color is white....., whose residence is Bigfork, Mont......  
 whose age is legal years; born at.....and who has.....been previously  
 married & divorced.....Her father's christian and surname is ~~was~~ Fred Bellmore.....  
 Her mother's christian and maiden name was Stella Miller.....both parties being legally competent to enter into such contract  
 of Marriage. And this shall be your good and sufficient warrant therefor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this 31st day of December, 1937

SEAL

Oliver F. Vose.....  
Clerk of District Court.  
By.....  
Deputy.

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## MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

STATE OF MONTANA, } ss.  
County of Flathead.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the undersigned, a Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.  
 did, on the 1 day of January, A. D. 1938, at Kalispell.....in the said County of  
 Flathead, and State of Montana, join in lawful wedlock Hugh W. Buchanan..... and Madelyn L. Bellmore  
 with their mutual consent.

In the presence of

|                                                                                                                                                        |              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <u>Doris W. Buchanan</u> .....<br><u>Arcan D. Bellmore</u> .....<br>Filed for record this <u>11th</u> day of<br><u>January</u> .....A. D. 19 <u>38</u> | } Witnesses. | WITNESS my hand, this <u>1</u> day of<br><u>January</u> , 19 <u>38</u> .<br><u>Rev. Harold C. Stark</u><br>(Signature Only).....Officiating.<br><u>Oliver F. Vose</u> .....<br>Clerk of District Court.<br>By <u>Amanda Nelson</u> .....<br>Deputy. |
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Marriage of Madelyn Lillian Bellmore (here using maiden name) to Hugh Wilton Buchanan in  
 Kalispell, Flathead MT on 1 Jan 1938 - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/90524191:61578>

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Kalispell, Dec. 31.—(Special)—Clerk of Court Oliver F. Vose today issued marriage licenses to Hugh W. Buchanan, Essex, and Madelyn L. Bellmore, Bigfork; Marion Starrell and Dorothy Jacoby, both of Whitefish.

Marriage license – Madelyn Lillian Bellmore to Hugh Wilton Buchanan - “The Missoulian”  
Saturday 1 Jan 1938 p 5

Father:

### WILLIAM F. TUCKER.

Kalispell, April 18.—William F. Tucker, resident of Kalispell for the past 45 years, died this morning at his home in Kalispell. He was 80 years old and for many years operated a local pool hall.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the chapel of the Kalispell funeral home by the Rev. M. A. Cookson. Burial will be at the Pine Grove cemetery.

Obituary of father William Francis Tucker – “The Missoulian” (Missoula MT) Wednesday 19  
Apr 1939 p 2

**WILLIAM F. TUCKER.**

Kalispell, April 20.—Funeral services for William F. Tucker were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon by the Rev. M. A. Cookson at the chapel of the Kalispell funeral home. Burial was at the Fairview cemetery.

Mr. Tucker was born at Stratford-on-Avon, England, on February 6, 1860, and came to the United States when a small boy. A resident of Kalispell since 1894, he was employed as engineer at the Kalispell Flour mill and later as superintendent of the C. E. Conrad Memorial cemetery for many years. In 1926 he established a billiard and pool hall business which he conducted until two years ago when ill health forced him to sell out.

He is survived by his widow, a son, Joe of Kalispell; a daughter, Mrs. Frances Gruner of Sandpoint, Idaho, and a sister, Mrs. W. D. Stone of Minneapolis.

"The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Friday 21 Apr 1939 p 8

Mother:

## MRS JANE M. HOWARD

Kalispell, May 5.—Funeral services for Mrs. Jane M. Howard will be held at the Johnson chapel Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with Rev. W. P. Griffiths officiating. Burial will be in the C. E. Conrad Memorial cemetery.

Funeral of mother Jane Minerva Pritts Tucker Howard – “The Missoulian” (Missoula MT)  
Monday 6 May 1946 p 2

## DEATHS

### MRS. JANE M. HOWARD

Mrs. Jane M. Howard, aged 76, passed away this morning at her home, 1020 Third avenue east. Mrs. Howard had been a resident of Kalispell since 1895. Her first husband, W. F. Tucker, passed away in Kalispell in 1939. She was married to Albert S. Howard in 1943. She was a member of the Episcopal church and of the Maccabees. Besides her husband, Mrs. Howard is survived by one son, Joseph J. Tucker of Kalispell and one daughter, Mrs. Harry Gruner also of Kalispell. The body is at the Johnson Funeral home from where services will be held at a time to be announced later.

“Kalispell (MT) Daily Inter-Lake” Saturday 4 May 1946 p 6

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## MARRIAGE LICENSE

STATE OF MONTANA, ss.  
County of Flathead.

TO ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGES, GREETING:

You are hereby authorized to join in lawful wedlock, and celebrate within this County the rites and ceremonies of Marriage between

ALBERT S. HOWARD, a man, whose color is white, whose residence is Kalispell, Montana, whose age is 70 years; born at Aiken, S. C. on the 8th day of Feb. 1872, 19, and who has been previously married & wife deceased His father's christian and surname X was Thos. J. Howard His mother's christian and maiden name was Elmina Churchill

and JANE M. TUCKER, a woman, whose color is white, whose residence is Kalispell, Mont., whose age is 73 years; born at Nelson, Nebraska on the 21st day of November 1868 19, and who has been previously married & husband deceased Her father's christian and surname X was Joseph Pritts Her mother's christian and maiden name was Rose Hoffman, both parties being legally competent to enter into such contract of Marriage. And this shall be your good and sufficient warrant therefor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this 20th day of June, 19 42

Oliver F. Vose  
Clerk of District Court.

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.

## MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

STATE OF MONTANA, ss.  
County of Flathead.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the undersigned, a clergyman did, on the 20th day of June A. D. 19 42, at Whitefish in the said County of Flathead, and State of Montana, join in lawful wedlock Albert S. Howard and Jane M. Tucker with their mutual consent.

In the presence of

Art Torgerson } Witnesses.  
Edna May Torgerson }

Filed for record this 24th day of June A. D. 19 42

WITNESS my hand, this 20th day of June, 19 42

Stanley W. Welsh  
(Signature Only) Officiating.

Oliver F. Vose  
Clerk of District Court.

By Helen Kolette Deputy.

Mother Jane Tucker's marriage to Albert Sidney Howard, 20 Jun 1942 Whitefish, Flathead MT - [https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/60062/images/MM9.3.1\\_2FTH-267-11053-138434-97?pld=1601423](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/60062/images/MM9.3.1_2FTH-267-11053-138434-97?pld=1601423)

Stepfather:

# Albert Howard Dies in Ronan

RONAN — Albert S. Howard, 92, died Sunday in Ronan.

Mr. Howard was a native of South Carolina and came to Montana in 1899. He made his home just west of Kalispell, and was employed by the Great Northern Railroad a short time before establishing the Howard Gardens in the Smith Valley community. Mr. Howard made his home on his farm until after the death of his wife October 1940. He retired in 1941 and since that time had made his home with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Aylesworth of Ronan.

Surviving Mr. Howard are three daughters, Mrs. Jessie Aylesworth of Ronan, Mrs. Nettie Gabbert of Yellowstone Park, Mrs. Mary Nehrhod of Spokane; one sister, Ayme Bonner of Milledgeville, Ga.; four grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren.

Service arrangements will be announced later by the Waggener & Campbell Funeral Home.

Obituary of Albert Sidney Howard – “The Missoulian” Tuesday 27 Feb 1962 p 5

Albert G. Howard and Jane M. Tucker, both of Kalispell, applied for a marriage license on Saturday.

“The Missoulian” (Missoula MT) Tuesday 23 Jun 1942 p 2

Clerk of Court Oliver Vose issued marriage licenses Saturday to Albert S. Howard and Jane M. Tucker, and to Raymond G. Reirer and Lorraine G. Wise. All of the contracting parties are from Kalispell.

“Kalispell (MT) Daily Inter-Lake” Monday 22 Jun 1942 p 5

Sibling:

Frances Gruner, 100, of Mesa, a homemaker, died Dec. 17, 1999. She was born in Kalispell, Mont. Survivors include her daughter, Mary Templeton; son, William; five grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. Services: 10 a.m. Tuesday, Green Acres Mortuary, 401 N. Hayden Road, Scottsdale, with visitation an hour before. Contributions: Neely Hospice House, Gilbert, AZ.

(Arizona Republic, Phoenix, Arizona, Monday, December 20, 1999)

Obituary of sister Frances F. Tucker Harrap Gruner – Find A Grave 220115043

# Marriage License

No. 4496

STATE OF MONTANA, } ss.  
County of Flathead.

## To Any Person Authorized to Solemnize Marriages, Greeting:

You are hereby authorized to join in lawful wedlock and celebrate within this County the rites and ceremonies of Marriage between Norman W. Harrap a man, whose color is white whose residence is Victoria, B. C. whose age is 23 years; born at Victoria, B. C. County of Canada and State of \_\_\_\_\_ and who has not been previously married. His father's Christian and surname is was Samuel Robert Harrap His mother's Christian and maiden name was Mary Ellen Williams and Francis F. Tucker a woman, whose color is white whose residence is Kahispell, Mont. whose age is 21 years; born at Kahispell, Mont.

County of Flathead and State of Montana and who has not been previously married

Her father's Christian and surname is was William Francis Tucker

Her mother's Christian and maiden name was Jane Britts both parties being legally competent to enter into such contract of Marriage. And this shall be your good and sufficient warrant therefor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this 8th day of Feb. 1922



R. N. Eaton  
Clerk of District Court.  
By F. M. Eaton  
Deputy.



Marriage of Frances Tucker & Norman Wilfred Harrap, 8 Feb 1922 Kalispell, Flathead MT -  
[https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/90634992:61578?tid=25540232&pid=200113163094&queryId=31cee08899efd769fa05236478ad686d&\\_phsrc=hFB63203&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/90634992:61578?tid=25540232&pid=200113163094&queryId=31cee08899efd769fa05236478ad686d&_phsrc=hFB63203&_phstart=successSource)

**Abbreviations:**

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

**Name: James Joseph Tucker /Joe Tucker**

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: 20th Eng. 17th/Co. E - private

Serial number: 250,483 (incoming passenger list) – and - 250,667 (veteran tombstone application & Veterans Administration Military Index)

Entered service from: Kalispell, Flathead MT

Sailed on “Tuscania” as: James J. Tucker

Next-of-kin on “Tuscania”: father William F. Tucker, Kalispell MT

Returned from war on: "Santa Paula" May 1919

Sailed on return ship as: James J. Tucker

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father William F. Tucker, Kalispell MT (pvt, 17th Co., 20th Engrs, Forestry)

World War I draft registration (1917): as James Joseph Tucker - b. 17 Apr 1895 Nelson NE; res: Kalispell, Flathead MT. Single. Care taker, Conrad Cemetery. Medium height & build.

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): 286 - 5th Ave. NE, Kalispell MT

World War II draft registration (1942): as James Joseph Tucker – b. Nelson NE, no birthdate given, only age 49; res: 286 – 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. E N, Kalispell, Flathead MT. NOK Jennie M. Tucker, same address [mother]. Employed by NMFA [Northern Montana Forestry Association], Kalispell, Flathead MT. Height: 6' – 180 lbs.

Found at:

<https://www.fold3.com/image/575972930?terms=james,joseph,tucker,montana>

Veterans Administration Military Index: serial 250667

Enlisted: 14 Dec 1917

Discharged: 10 Jun 1919

Address: Kalispell MT

Rank/unit: private, 17<sup>th</sup> Co., 20<sup>th</sup> Engineers

#### Birth & death:

Born: 17 Apr 1893 (tombstone & obituary) (WWI draft registration: 17 Apr 1895) Nelson, Nuckolls NE

Died: 12 Mar 1959 Mesa, Maricopa AZ (in a car accident, in which Clarence E. Davis of Kalispell MT also died & James's sister Mrs. Harry Gruner & brother-in-law Harry were injured)

Find A Grave record: 17000748 – presence on Tuscania indicated in text

Burial location: Kalispell, Flathead MT

Cemetery: Conrad Memorial

Tombstone: veteran flat: Montana Pvt US Army WWI

Father: William Francis Tucker, 6 Feb 1860 Stratford-on-Avon District, Warwickshire, England – 18 Apr 1939 Flathead Co. MT. Came to the US as a small boy. In the 1910 census, claims it is his 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage, while Jane says it is her 1<sup>st</sup> marriage. Resident of Kalispell, Flathead MT since 1894. Buried in Fairview Cemetery, Columbia Falls, Flathead MT.

Find A Grave: 91728656

Mother: Jane Minerva Pritts Tucker Howard, 22 Nov 1869 Brothersville township, Somerset Co. PA – 4 May 1946 Kalispell, Flathead MT. Daughter of Joseph H. Pritts & Rosa Anna Hoffman.

Following the death of William Tucker, Jane married Albert Sidney Howard (1870 SC – 1962 MT, F: 17726481 on 20 Jun 1942 in Whitefish, Kalispell MT. He had been married 27 Dec 1892 in MO to Hettie Willis Busey (1873-1940).

Jane is buried under the Tucker headstone in Conrad Memorial Cemetery, Kalispell, Flathead MT.

Find A Grave: 17726378

Parents' marriage: 1890

Stepfather: Albert Sidney Howard, 8 Feb 1870 SC – 25 Feb 1962 Ronan, Lake MT. He married Hettie Willis Busey (1873 MO – 1940 MT, F: 17726449) on 27 Dec 1892 in Arbella, Scotland Co. MO. He operated Howard Gardens in the Smith Valley community. Buried in Conrad Memorial Cemetery, Kalispell, Flathead MT.

Stepfather Find A Grave: 17726481

Stepfather's marriage: 20 Jun 1942 in Whitefish, Kalispell MT. Both Albert & Jane said they had been previously married & their previous spouses were deceased.

Spouse: Lura Prowse Terrill Tucker Harvey Schultz Merrill, 21 Mar 1894 Muhlenberg Co. KY – 5 Jul 1976.

Daughter of Marcus Lafayette Prowse & Harriet Luro King.

On 25 Nov 1913 in Kalispell, Flathead MT, Lura Prowse married Harold A. Terrill (1894 CO – 1916 MT), the son of Harry T. Terrill & Lillie G. Woolley. He drowned on 6 Jun 1916 with a friend when they fell out of their boat or it capsized by the Northwestern Dam. His body was recovered 18 Jun 1916.

Lura then married Joseph Neuton Krider Jr. (d. 8 Apr 1974), the son of Joseph Neuton Krider Sr. & Anna Muddux. His birthdate appears to be 17 Feb 1897 [not 1900 as indicated on Lura's Find A Grave]. Joseph Krider claimed to be age 23 when they married on 4 Mar 1917 in Dubuque IA. Although not the age 17 claimed on her Find A Grave, he would have 19 years old & likely too young to marry without parental permission. Joseph Krider reported on his WWII draft registration (16 Feb 1942), as a resident of Milwaukee WI, that he had been born 17 Feb 1897 in Bloomington IL.

Lura & James Joseph Tucker married 7 Sep 1917. On 2 Jul 1920, Tucker brings suit to have the marriage annulled, because she had married Krider earlier in 1917 & had not divorced him. [Although her marriage to Krider was probably invalid, also.]

Lura then married a man named Harvey, because as Lura Harvey, she married Louis William Schultz, son of Herman Schultz & Anna Bergstrum, on 3 Feb 1931 in Vancouver, Clark WA. Lura stated an age of 28 on their marriage license.

She appears to have married a man named Merrill during the 1930s, because by the time of the 1940 census, conducted 12 May 1940, Lura Merrill is an inmate of the Oregon State Hospital for the Insane at Salem, Marion OR (line 39). She is listed as Lura Merrill, 45 KY, married, in 1935 residing in Medford, Jackson OR.

In the 1950 census for Salem, Marion OR, Lura Merrill, 55 KY, marital status: separated, was an inmate/patient at the Oregon State Mental Hospital (line 29).

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage: 7 Sep 1917 Missoula, Missoula Co. MT. James J. Tucker asked for a divorce in Feb 1920 from her in MT, claiming she had deserted him.

Spouse: Alice Alexander Tucker Sagehorn, 21 Dec 1900 Wheatland, Platte WY – 17 Jul 1929 Klamath Falls, Klamath OR.

Daughter of John Cameron Alexander & Melinda Ann Fosket.

Following her divorce from James Joseph Tucker in May 1928, Alice Tucker obtained a marriage license in Klamath Co. OR in Jun 1928 to marry Leo Paul Sagehorn (7 Jul 1899 Willits, Mendocino CA – 19 Apr 1990 Fort Bidwell, Modoc CA, F: 28790136). She died of septicemia “not known if puerperal” [related to childbirth]. Buried in Linkville Pioneer Cemetery, Klamath Falls, Klamath OR.

Spouse Find A Grave: 28686505

Marriage: 8 Nov 1920 in Kalispell. Flathead MT. Alice Tucker was granted a divorce & alimony in MT in May 1928. The next month, on 23 Jun 1928, Alice married Leo Paul Sagehorn in Klamath Co. OR. Alice said on her marriage license that she had been previously married & divorced. James Joseph Tucker listed himself as divorced in the 1930 census,

Spouse: Madelyn Lillian Bellmore Tucker Buchanan, 2 Sep 1910 Kent, Wilkin MN – 10 Mar 1963 Bigfork, Flathead MT. SSN 536-20-5049. Daughter of Fred Bellmore & Stella A. Miller. Sometimes her father is listed as Ferd or Ferdinand.

Married 1 Jan 1938 in Kalispell, Flathead MT to Hugh Wilton Buchanan (1897 WA – 1983 OR, F: 117723953), the son of Duncan Buchanan & Nettie J. Wilton. Hugh’s wife Marguerite Cecilia Billedeaux (b. 1898) whom he had married in 1925 died in 1925. He had been a park ranger at Glacier National Park & was survived by wife Mabel G. Dayton Rider-Buchanan (19906-1985) whom he had married in 1964 following Madelyn’s death. – Madelyn & Hugh are buried in Conrad Memorial Cemetery, Kalispell, Flathead MT.

Spouse Find A Grave: 17745674

Marriage; 16 May 1932 in Spokane, Spokane WA. Madelyn was granted a divorce on the grounds of neglect & failure to provide on 14 Jun 1937. James Joseph Tucker listed himself as divorced in the 1940 census.

Children:

Sibling:

- Frances F. Tucker Harrap Gruner, 28 Oct 1899 Kalispell, Flathead MT – 17 Dec 1999. – Married in 1922 to Norman Wilfred Harrap (1899 Canada – 1940 Canada, F: 210254083). He remarried in 1939 to Evelyn Ada Lovesey Vickers. Norman is buried in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. – Frances married Harry Gruner in 1927. Harry was born 1894 NE & died 1990, F: 220114949. – She died at age 100. - Frances & Harry Gruner are buried in Green Acres Memorial Park, Scottsdale, Maricopa AZ. F: 220115043.

Notes:

Pre-war:

Wartime:

Post-war:

Obituary:

"The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) 17 Mar 1959 p 7 & 21 Mar 1959 p 7 – died at age 65. Long-time Kalispell MT resident. Survived by sister Mrs. Harry Gruner (still in a Mesa AZ hospital after the car accident in which James died). Born Nelson NE 17 Apr 1893. Came to Kalispell MT as a young man. Attended Flathead County High School. Enlisted 14 Apr 1917. Served overseas in WWI. Discharged 10 Dec 1919 as an Army private & returned to Kalispell MT. His father was the Conrad Memorial Cemetery manager for many years & James sold burial monuments. Belonged to veteran organizations. His pallbearers included Tuscania survivors Joseph Basye, J.C. McMillan & Fred Metcalf.

Social Security number: 516-10-5036

Censuses:

1900 Kalispell, Flathead MT – 114 – 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. W.

William Tucker, 40 England, Feb 1860, parents b. England, emigrated 1864, in US for 36 years, naturalized, married 8 years, stationary engineer

Jane M., 30 PA, Nov 1869, parents b. PA, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living

James J., 7 NE, Apr 1893, at school

Frances F., 7 months MT, Oct 1899

1910 Kalispell, Flathead MT

William F. Tucker, 50 England, parents b. England, in his 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage, emigrated 1864, naturalized, married 18 years, care taker, cemetery

Jane M., 40 PA, father b. PA, mother b. Germany, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living

James J., 17 NE

Frances, 11 MT

1920 Kalispell, Flathead MT

William F. Tucker, 56 England, parents b. England, emigrated 1866, naturalized 1894, superintendent, cemetery

Jennie M., 49 PA, father b. PA, mother b. Holland

James J., 26 NE, single, laborer, cemetery

Frances F., 19 MT, single, cashier, mercantile company

1930 Kalispell, Flathead MT – 286 Fifth Ave. – is divorced from Alice Alexander

Wm. F. Tucker, 70 England, parents b. England, age 32 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, emigrated 1864, naturalized, proprietor, pool hall

Jane M., 60 PA, father b. PA, mother b. Holland, age 22 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage

Joe J., 37 NE, divorced, father b. England, mother b. PA, age 27 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, agent, monument company, WWI veteran

1940 Kalispell, Flathead MT – is divorced from Madelyn Bellmore – same house in 1935 - indexed as TUSKER

Jennie M. Tucker, 70 PA, widow

James J., 46 NE, divorced, ranger, Northern Montana Forestry Association [son]

1950 Kalispell, Flathead MT – Highway 2 West

James J. Tucker, 56 NE, widowed, ranger, Forest Service, Forestry Association