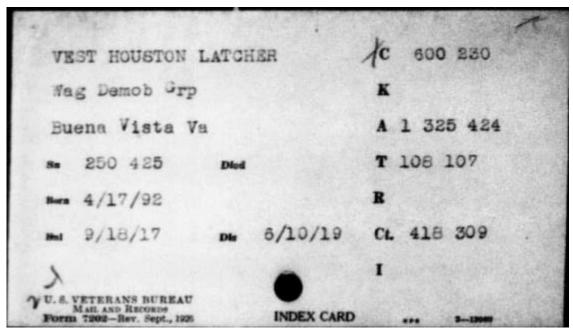


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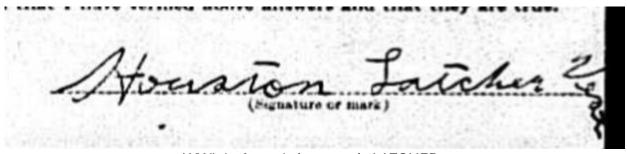
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# HOUSTON L. VEST

LYCHBURG—Houston L. Vest, 47, World War veteran, died Sunday at his home in Buena Vista during a heart attack. He is survived by his wife; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram L. Vest, and two brothers, Lexi and Charles Vest of Buena Vista.

Obituary of Houston Letcher Vest – "Richmond (VA) Times-Dispatch" Wednesday 8 Dec 1937 p 4

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"Roanoke (VA) Times" Tuesday 7 Dec 1937 p 2

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Washington, Feb. 8 .- Seventeen men from Virginia were passengers on the transport Tuscania, which was sunk by a German submarine. Up to an early hour this morning the names of only twenty of the survivors had been received by the war departmen out of about two thousand who have been rescued. The names of none of the Virginians appears among the first twenty survivors. The Virginians on the ill-fated transport were: Harvey Holland, Wakefield, private, 213th Aero squadron; Frank P. Carroll, Norfolk, private, 218th Aero squadron; Bernard L. Tullington, Phoebus, 35 Poplar street, sergeant, 158th Aero squadron; John V. Phipps, Fox, private, 158th Aero squadron; John W. Holland, private, 20th Engineers, Wilmington; Charles E. Delp, Mouth of Wilson, private, 20th Engineers; William S. Miller, Urbana, private, 20th Engineers; Walter L. Brown, Pera, 20th Engineers; Gerald K. Glover, Hopewell, sergeant, 20th Engineers; Nat Latham, Sanford, private, 20th Engineers; Houston L. Vest, Buena Vista, private, 20th Engineers; Robert M. Willis, Lugnum, corporal, 20th Engineers; Howe D. Willis, corporal, Rapidan, 20th Engineers; William Hampen, Fred eers; William Hamner, Knoll, private, 20th Engineers; Winston Hartsook, Rapidan private, 20th Engineers; Stanley F. Wellman, Gibsonburgh, corporal, 158th Aero squadron.

Aboard Tuscania - "Roanoke (VA) Times" Friday 8 Feb 1918 p 1

Southerners Among Survivors. Washington, Feb. 9 .- Following are among Tuscania survivors: Frank H. Carroll, Norfolk, Va. Harvey P. Holland, Wakefield, Va. James W. Legan, Uree, N. C. Willie J. Stuckey, Lamar, S. C. Iva Burns McAlister. Nashville, Tenn. Jesse E. Veitch. Ballston. Va. Herman H. Alexander, Ethridge, Ten-Loomis M. Hales, Clayton, N. C. Wesley Shell, Sugar Grove, N. C. Battie C. Allen, Shouns, Tenn. James Coburn. New Bern, N. C. Waynes S. Bell. Marion, S. C. Richard J. Potect. Nashville. Tenn. Houston L. Vest, Beuna Vista, Va. William D. Hammer, Knoll. Va. Charles E. Delt, Mouth of Wilson, Va. John W. Holland, Wilmington, Va. William S. Miller, Urbanna, Va. Henry T. Mills, Gordo, Va. James R. Rains, Dyer, Tenn. William L. Shults, Woolredge, Tenn. Howe D. Willis. Rapidan, va.

"Raleigh (NC) News & Observer" Sunday 10 Feb 1918 p 8

# BUENA VISTA MAN ON "TUSCANIA" WAS RELATED IN AUGUSTA

H. L. Vest, of Buena Vista, who it is thought lost his life on the "Tuscania," was related in Augusta county, having been a cousin of Miss Pearl Wood and Mrs. D. A. Wood of near the city. Mr. Vest was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Vest and had been at Camp Lee up until late in the fall, when he was transferred to the 20th Regiment of Engineers, which sailed for France on the ill fated ship.

Mr. Vest's relatives here are still hoping that he may not have lost his life, although no word has yet been received by any of his relatives.

Although the 9 Feb 1918 news release from the War Department placed Houston Vest among the survivors, this newspaper took a more gloomy outlook 4 days later - "Staunton (VA) News Leader" Wednesday 13 Feb 1918 p 1 – https://www.newspapers.com/image/315853965/

# LEGION POST AT BUENA VISTA ELECTS

Buena Vista, July 12 (Special) .- At a meeting of the Floyd-Davidson post, American Legion, Monday night, the following officers were elected: Thomas B. Scott, commander; James S. Wright, vice-commander; G. O. Whitesell, adjutant; R. L. Whitesell, finance officer; A. M. Davis, service officer, and Houston Vest, sergeant at arms. Thomas B. Scott and James S. Wright were named as delegates to the state convention in Alexandria, July 31 to August 3, with A. M. Davis and E. A. Laffon, alternates. Recently elected officers of the Jr. O. U. A. M., are F. F. Catlett, councilor; E. R. Staton, vice councilor;

O. U. A. M., are F. F. Catlett, councilor; E. R. Staton, vice councilor; Percy Wiseman, conductor; A. W. Stratton, recording secretary; S. E. Cunningham, assistant recording secretary; B. E. Patterson, financial secretary; E. T. Shewey, treasurer; Elmer Slough, inside sentinel; J. J. Bates, outside sentinel; and N. M. Dixon, trustee. Installation of officers was held Tuesday night.

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"Roanoke (VA) Times" Wednesday 13 Jul 1932 p 4

# News Notes From Veterans Home

## Hospital

Oma : f. Thompson, World war veteran, of this locality, has been admitted as a member and retained in hospital for treatment.

Burley O. Haddock and Raymond J. Goodloe, World war veterans in hospital, have accepted discharges with the maximum health benefit and returned to their homes in Richmond.

Lee H. Carter, World war patient, has been discharged, with health restored, and left for his home in Danville.

Stephen B. Adams Jr., Spanish war veteran, has been discharged as a patient and will reside locally.

James O. Walker, World war patient, has been dropped from the rolls due to prolonged absence from the hospital.

Company 2

Houston L. Vest, World war veteran, of Buena Vista, has been admitted as a member and assigned this
company for duty.

"Newport News (VA) Daily Press" Wednesday 18 Jul 1934 p 7

Houston L. Vest, World war veteran, recently admitted from Buena Vista, has been discharged with treatment completed.

"Newport News (VA) Daily Press" Sunday 22 Jul 1934 p 12

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# **Houston Letcher Vest**

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Gender	Male
Marital Status	Single
Race	White
Age	27
Birth Date	1892
Birth Place	Rockbridge Co., VA
Marriage Date	17 Aug 1919
Marriage Place	Buena Vista, Virginia
Father	Hiram Vest
Mother	Sallie Vest
Spouse	Lula Margaret Staton
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Father's Name Hiram Vest

Father's Sex Male

Mother's Name Sallie Vest

Mother's Sex Female

Spouse's Name Lula Margaret Staton

Spouse's Sex Female

Spouse's Age 26

Spouse's Birth Year (Estimated) 1893

Spouse's Marital Status Single

Spouse's Race White

Spouse's Ethnicity American

Spouse's Father's Name B. P. Staton

Spouse's Father's Sex Male

Spouse's Mother's Name Nora Staton

Event Type Marriage

Event Date 17 Aug 1919

Event Place Buena Vista, Virginia, United States

Source Details rn29

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# RAMSEY REUNION A reunion of Ramsey families was held at the home of L. J. Ramsey at Buena Vista, Sept. 3. at which a picnic luncheon served. The guests included: Ramsey, wife and three daughters, Alberta, Frances, and Dorothy; Otha Ramsey, wife, and two daughters, Mirlam Lee and Peggie Ann all of Vesuvius; John Ramsey, and Ed Gotwall and wife, all of Washington, D. C., and John Sizer, and wife, and three sons, Lawrence, and Kenneth, and Harold; Norman Staton wife, daughter, Dorls Lee: Mr. Mrs. B. P. Staton, Mrs. Mollie Ramsey, Mrs. Houston Vest. Mr. and Mrs. George Seay and two daughters, Lois Irine and Dallas, all of Buena Vista.

Lula & her parents Mr. & Mrs. B.P. Pitt – "Staunton (VA) Daily News Leader" Friday 7 Sep 1934 p 3

# MRS. LULA PAINTER

BUENA VISTA — Mrs. Lula Margaret (Vest) Painter, 88, of Buena Vista, died Sunday (Aug. 3, 1980) at her home.

She was born in Amherst County June 22, 1892, daughter of Ben T. and Signora E. (Lawhorne) Staton.

Mrs. Painter was a member of First Brethren Church and the widow of Jessie C. Painter.

Surviving are six stepdaughters, Mrs. Irene Bishop, Ms. Catherine Painter and Mrs. Loretta Staton, all of Richmond, Mrs. Louise Mead of Manly, Iowa, and Mrs. Helen Wright and Mrs. Doris Reed, both of Buena Vista; three stepsons, Lyle, Thurman and Lewis Painter, all of Buena Vista; two nephews, four nieces and a number of great-nieces and great-nephews.

A service will be conducted 3 p.m. Wednesday at First Brethren Church by the Revs. Lester Kennedy and Carmon Sollenberger. Burial will be in Green Hill Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 7-8 p.m. Tuesday at Harrison's Funeral Home in Lexington.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Buena Vista Life Saving and First Aid Crew.

Lula's obituary - "Staunton (VA) News Leader" Monday 4 Aug 1980 p 3

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parsonage. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. A. J. Hawes.

Mrs. Painter is a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pit Staton and the bridegroom is a

Calvin Painter.

After a wedding trip the couple will make their home in Buena Vista.

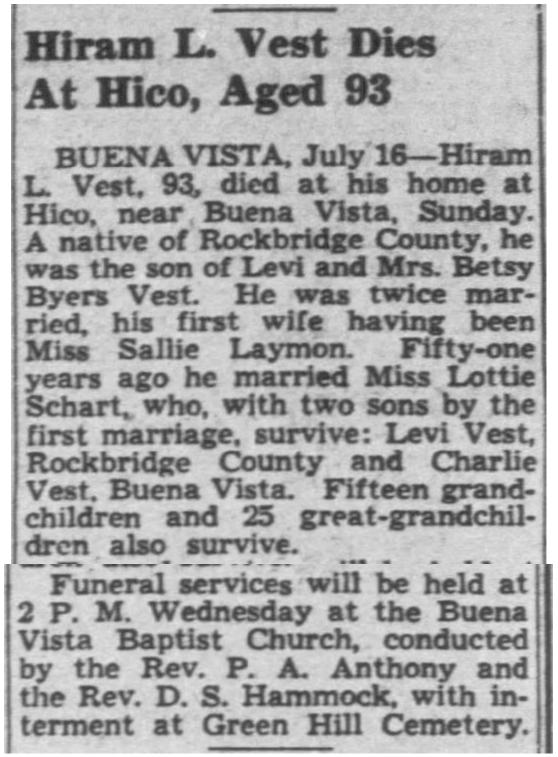
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VA death record of Lula Margaret Vest Painter - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryuicontent/view/1590493:9278

Father:



Obituary of father Hiram Levi Vest Sr. – "Richmond (VA) Times-Dispatch" Tuesday 17 Jul 1945 p 18

# DIES AT AGE OF 93

Buena Vista, July 16.—Hiram L. Vest, 93, died at his home at Hico, near Buena Vista Sunday morning. A native of Rockbridge county, he was the son of Levi and Mrs. Betsy Byers Vest. He was twice married, his first wife being Miss Sallie Laymon. Fifty-one years ago he married Miss Lottie Schart, who with two sons by the first marriage, survive.

"Clifton Forge (VA) Daily Review" Monday 16 Jul 1945 p 6

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Vest, Misses Myrtle and Marie and Louis Vest, of Buena Vista, were the recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Vest.

"Covington (VA) Virginian" Monday 20 Mar 1933 p 5

# Park To Be Built In Amherst County

LYNCHBURG—A wayside park will be built by the National Park Service on property adjacent to Pedlar Lake from which Lynchburg obtains its water supply, city authorities have been notified.

The park will be located at Licking Spring in Amherst County. City Engineer Richard F. Wagner said Hiram Vest, owner of the property, had preserved the timber on it in the hope that some day the public would be able to enjoy the natural beauty of the surroundings.

The land is near the Blue Ridge

Parkway.

"Richmond (VA) Times-Dispatch" Friday 20 Sep 1940 p 14

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Meeks made a recent trip to Hico, Va., where they visited Mrs. Meeks' uncle, Mr. Hiram Vest, who remains ill at his home.

"Covington (VA) Virginian" Friday 9 Jul 1943 p 5

Name Hiram Levi Vest

Sex Male

Age 23

Birth Year (Estimated) 1855

Marital Status Single

Race White

Ethnicity American

Father's Name Levi Vest

Father's Sex Male

Mother's Name Elizabeth Vest

Mother's Sex Female

Spouse's Name Sallie Lee Lawman

Spouse's Sex Female

Spouse's Age 17

Spouse's Birth Year (Estimated) 1861

Spouse's Marital Status Single

Spouse's Race White

Spouse's Ethnicity American

Spouse's Mother's Name Sallie Javis

Event Type Marriage

Event Date 15 Jan 1878

Event Place Amherst, Virginia, United States

Source Details Mar Reg 3 p 75

Birthplace Rockbridge

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# Hiram Levi Vest

Vital • Virginia Marriages, 1785-1940

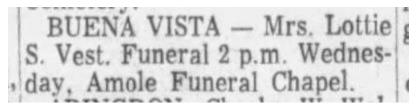
# Stepmother:

# **Lottie Schart**

in the Virginia, U.S., Select Marriages, 1785-1940

Name	Lottie Schart
Gender	Female
Marital Status	Single
Race	White
Age	21
Birth Date	1873
Birth Place	Columbus, Ohio
Marriage Date	02 Aug 1894
Marriage Place	Buena Vista, Virginia
Father	W. A. Schart
Mother	Lizzie Schart
Spouse	Hiram L. Vest
FHL Film Number	2048487
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"Roanoke (VA) Times" Tuesday 14 Apr 1964 p 4

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On Lottie's VA death record, she I Lottie SHORT Vest, daughter of Andew & Maggie Short - https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C95D-D9VD-V?cc=2377565

# William A. Schart. Buena Vista, Dec. 18 (Special).—William A. Schart, 68, a native of Columbus, Ohio, died at his home here Monday. Surviving are his wife, one son, William, and a sister, Mrs. Hiram Vest. Funeral services will be held at the home, Wednesday at 3 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. J. W. Vaughan, of the Pentecostal Holiness church.

Death of Lottie's brother William A. Schart in 1934 – "Roanoke (VA) Times" Wednesday 19 Dec 1934 p 2

# Siblings:

# U.S., Federal Census Mortality Schedules, 1850-1885 for John S Vest 1880 > Virginia > Amherst Brother John Samuel Vest (1878-1880) – died of "flux" -

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/8756/images/VAT1132\_18-0069?pId=2164334



Sister Georgia M. Vest Gilbert (1880-1909) - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/2457711/person/312121198997/media/c5730ed6-17ad-4753-a8b8-77678cfab12d? phsrc=hFB64867& phstart=successSource

Death at Buena Vista.

Buena Vista, Va., Sept. 10.—(Special.)—Mrs. Silas Gilbert, wife of a member of the local police force, who was operated on for appendicitis Wednesday, died at Dr. C. C. Caleman's hospital at 9:30 o'clock today. She was a daughter of Hiram Vest, of Amherst county, and had no children.

Obituary of Georgia Vest Gilbert – "Roanoke (VA) World-News" Saturday 11 Sep 1909 p 2

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VA death record of sister Katie Lee Vest Gilbert (1882-1921) -

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Katie Vest's 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, to Walter Coleman, 25 Dec 1900 https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/7280322/person/24658393022/facts

Virginia, Select Marriages, 1785-1940 View record Name Kate Coleman Gender Female Marital Status Divorced Race White Age 21 Birth Date 1881 Birth Place Rockbridge Co., VA Marriage Date 14 Jun 1902 Marriage Place Buena Vista, Virginia Father Husom Vest Mother Vest Spouse Hayes S. Gilbert FHL Film Number 2048487 Reference ID rn15

Katie Vest Coleman's 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage, to Hayes Latcher Gilbert, on 14 Jun 1902 - https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/7280322/person/24658393022/facts

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VA death record of brother Hiram Levi Vest Jr. / Hiram Levi Vest (1885-1975) - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/752537519:9278

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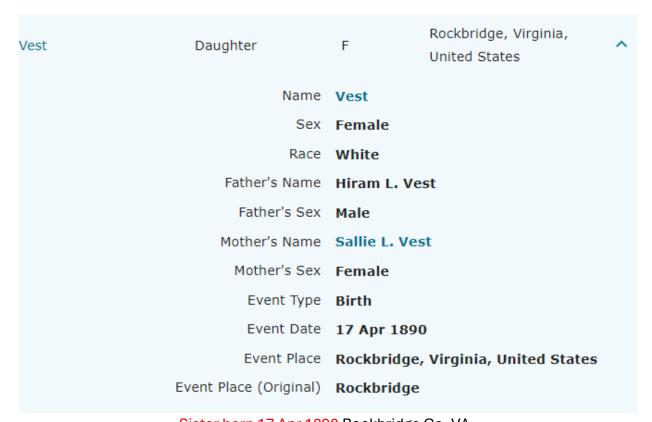
VA death record of brother Charlie Irvin Vest (1886-1976) -

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Sister Hester L. Vest, b. 4 Aug 1888 - https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:6ZBC-WRS1



Sister born 17 Apr 1890 Rockbridge Co. VA - https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:6JVG-7BGS



# Irene Vest

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Name Vest

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Birth Year (Estimated) 1890

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Parent Name Hiram Vest

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Sister died 30 Apr 1890 Rockbridge Co. VA - https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:6Z2G-X7T6

Abbreviations:

b = born

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

NOK = next-of-kin

### Name: Houston Letcher Vest

Name variations: he signs his WWI draft card as Houston Latcher Vest - Latcher is also on

**Veterans Administration Master Index** 

Military:

On Tuscania: 20th Eng. 16th/Co. D - private

Serial number: 250,425

Entered service from: Buena Vista, Buena Vista VA

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Houston L. Vest

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father H.L. Vest, Buena Vista, Rockbridge Co. VA

Returned from war on: "Santa Paula" May 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Houston L. Vest

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father Hoiram (sic, indexed as Boiram) Vest, Buenavista

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World War I draft registration (1917): listed as Houston Letcher Vest, card signed as

Houston Latcher Vest - b. 17 Apr 1891 Rockbridge VA; res: Buena Vista, Rockbridge VA.

Single. Farmer for self near Buena Vista VA. Tall height, medium build.

Veterans Administration Military Index: as Houston Latcher Vest

Enlisted: 18 Sep 1917 Discharged: 10 Jun 1919 Address: Buena Vista VA

Rank/unit: wagoner, Demob Group

Birth & death:

Born: 17 Apr 1892 (Find A Grave & Veterans Administration Military Index) (WWI draft: 17

Apr 1891) Rockbridge Co. VA

Died: 5 Dec 1937 Rockbridge Co. VA

Find A Grave record: 39465661 – presence on Tuscania indicated in flower

Burial location: Buena Vista City VA

Cemetery: Green Hill

Tombstone: Findagrave text & veteran tombstone application: Virginia Wagoner Co D, 6th

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Father: Hiram Levi Vest (Sr.), 8 Jul 1853 Rockbridge Co. VA – 17 Jul 1945 Rockbridge Co.

VA. Son of Levi Hiram Vest & Elizabeth Byres.

Hiram's 1st wife was Houston's mother, Sarah Lee Lawman.

Following her death in 1893, Hiram married on 2 Aug 1894 in Buena Vista VA to Lottie Schart.

Hiram is buried in Green Hill Cemetery, Buena Vista, Buena Vista City VA.

Find A Grave: 39465369

Mother: Sarah Lee Lawman Vest, 1862 VA – 1893 VA. Her birth surname is also found

spelled Larman, Lorman and Lehrman. Her burial location is unknown.

Find A Grave: 145447347

Parents' marriage: 15 Jan 1878 Amherst VA

Family tree claims death occurred 28 Jul 1891 – found at:

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1870 census – Sallie Lee Lawman, age 10, with William & Eliza Jarvis, Jarvis children & Susan Lawman, age 19

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Stepmother: Lottie Schart Vest, 28 Jul 1872 Columbus, Franklin OH – 13 Apr 1964 Buena Vista, Rockbridge VA. Daughter of W.A. & Lizzie Schart. Is this her? In the 1891 Columbus OH city directory, William (a machinist), William Jr. (a boilermarker) & Lottie Schart all resided at 329 W. Broad. Her brother William A. (1856-1880, F: 61136334) is buried in the same cemetery as Lottie. – On her VA death Lottie is listed as Lottie SHORT Vest, daughter of Andrew & Maggie Short. – Lottie is buried with Hiram in Green Hill Cemetery, Buena Vista, Buena Vista City VA.

Stepmother's Find A Grave:

Stepmother's marriage: 2 Aug 1894 Buena Vista VA

Spouse: Lula Margaret Staton Vest Painter, 1893 Amherst Co. VA – 3 Aug 1980 Buena Vista City VA. SSN 227-05-4880. Daughter of Benjamin Pitt Staton & Signora (Nora) Ellen Lawhorne/Lawhorn.

Houston's widow Lula Margaret Vest married Jesse/Jessie Clifton Painter on 13 Jun 1951 in Buena Vista VA, in the Baptist Church parsonage. Jesse was bprm 3 Aug 1889 Rockbridge Co. VA & 9 Jul 1975 Lexington City VA, F: 115819006.

Buried in Green Hill Cemetery, Buena Vista, Buena Vista City VA

Spouse Find A Grave: 39465706.

Marriage: 17 Aug 1919 in Buena Vista VA. Houston was age 27, b. Rockbridge Co. VA. Lula Staton was age 26, b. Amherst Co. VA.

### Children:

### Siblings:

• John Samuel Vest, 17 Feb 1878 Pedlar, Amherst VA – Apr 1880 Pedlar, Amherst VA.

Pre-war:

- Georgia M. [also found as Anna] Vest Gilbert, 14 Jun 1880 Pedlar, Amherst VA 10 Sep 1909 Pedlar, Amherst VA. Wife of Silas N. Gilbert (115696147), the son of Ezekial Z. Gilbert & Sarah Elizabeth Nuckols. Georgia's sister Katie Vest married Silas's brother Hayes Gilbert. Georgia died following an operation for appendicitis. Following Georgia's death, Silas married Catharine Ellen Henson (1891-1993) in 1910.
- Katie Lee Vest Coleman Gilbert, 10 Jul 1882 Rockbridge Co. VA 7 Oct 1921 Natural Bridge, Rockbridge VA. Married 25 Dec 1900 in Buena Vista VA to Walter Coleman (b. ca. 1878). As Katie Coleman, she married 14 Jun 1902 in Buena Vista VA to Hayes Letcher Gilbert (1883-1943, F: 174338954). Hayes was the son of Ezekial Z. Gilbert & Sarah Elizabeth Nuckols. Katie's sister Georgia Vest had married Hayes's brother Silas Gilbert. Following Katie's death, Hayes married Mary Alice Widdifield (1899-19547) in 1926. Katie, who died of Bright's disease, is buried in Hico Cemetery, Monroe, Amherst VA. F: 174338806
- Hiram Levi Vest Jr. / Levi Hiram Vest, 22 Sep 1885 Rockbridge Co. VA 19 Sep 1975
   Rockbridge Co. VA. Married in 1905 to Hattie Ray Hamilton (1887-1961, F: 39464952).
   Buried in Green Hill Cemetery, Buena Vista, Buena Vista City VA. F: 39464922
- Charlie (Charles) Irvin Vest, 30 Jun 1886 Pedlar, Amherst VA 10 May 1976 Lexington, Rockbridge VA. Married in Staunton, Augusta VA on 28 Jun 1906 to Lettie Alvin Hamilton (1888-1983, F: 39465904). Buried in Green Hill Cemetery, Buena Vista, Buena Vista City VA. F: 39465840
- Hester L. Vest, 4 Aug 1888 Amherst VA. Female. A listing is found on Ancestry.com for male Hieter Loving Vest, b. & d. 4 Jul 1888 Amherst VA. But VA birth record indicates she is Hester L. Vest. Death record not found.
- Infant daughter Vest, 17 Apr 1890 Rockbridge Co. VA 30 Apr 1890 Rockbridge Co. VA. Found on FamilySearch.org as Irene Vest, b. & d. 17 Apr 1890. Birth record located.
- Peter T. Vest, 18 Mar 1891 VA 28 Mar 1891 VA. Buried in HIco Cemetery, Monroe, Amherst VA. F: 152607752

Notes: Houston, his father and his brother all share the same initials – H.L. This confuses newspaper searching.

Wartime:
Post-war:
Obituary:
Social Security number: 227-07-8661
Censuses:
1880 Pedlar, Amherst VA Hiram Vest, 26 VA, parents b. VA, farm laborer Sarah, 18 VA, parents b. VA, at home

1900 Natural Bridge, Rockbridge VA

Hiram S. Vesst, 46 VA, Jul 1853, parents b. VA, years married not listed, farmer

Lottie, 27 VA, Jun 1872, parents b. VA, years married not listed, gave birth to 4 children, 4 are living [wife – but she has no children herself]

Kate S., 17 VA, May 1883, parents b. VA [daughter]

Levi H., 14 VA, Sep 1885, parents b. VA [son]

Charlie E., 14 VA, May 1886, parents b. VA [son]

Huston L., 9 VA, Apr 1891, parents b. VA [son]

Samuel A., 30 VA, May 1870, parents b. VA, marital status unknown [brother]

1910 Natural Bridge, Rockbridge VA – Houston, his father & stepmother & 2 two married brothers, sisters-in-law & children

Hiram Vest, 57 VA, parents b. VA, in 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage, married 16 years, farmer

Lottie Vest, 37 VA, parents b. VA, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, no children/birth information supplied [wife]

Houston J. Vest, 13 VA, parents b. VA, laborer, farm[son]

Levi H. Vest Jr., 25 VA, parents b. VA, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, married 5 years, laborer, farm [son] Hattie H. Vest, 23 VA, parents b. VA, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, gave birth to 3 children, 3 are living [daughter-in-law – i.e., the wife of son Hiram Levi Jr.]

Loyd Vest, 3 VA, parents b. VA [grandson]

Roy Vest, 3 VA, parents b. VA [grandson]

Hiram Vest Jr., 4 months VA, parents b. VA [grandson]

Charles Vest, 23 VA, parents b. VA, in 1st marriage, married 4 years, laborer, farm [son]

Lettie Vest, 21 VA, parents b. VA, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living

[daughter-in-law – i.e. wife of son Charles]

Sallie M. Vest, 2 VA, parents b. VA [granddaughter]

Infant Vest, 1 month old VA, parents b. VA [granddaughter]

1920 Hartsook Shop, Rockbridge VA

Hiram L. Vest, 60 VA, parents b. VA, farmer, general farm

Lottie, 48 OH, parents b. OH [wife]

Houston Vest, 28 VA, parents b. VA, farm laborer [son]

Lula Vest, 24 VA, parents b. VA [daughter-in-law]

Elmer Vest, 18 VA, parents b. VA, teamster [nephew]

1930 Buena Vista, Buena Vista Independent City VA – 293 – 29th St.

Houston Vest, 37 VA, parents b. VA, age 27 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, repairman, paper mill, WWI veteran

Lula Vest, 36 VA, parents b. VA< age 26 at 1st marriage [wife]

Roy Vest, 22 VA, parents b. VA, single, chipper man, paper mill [nephew]