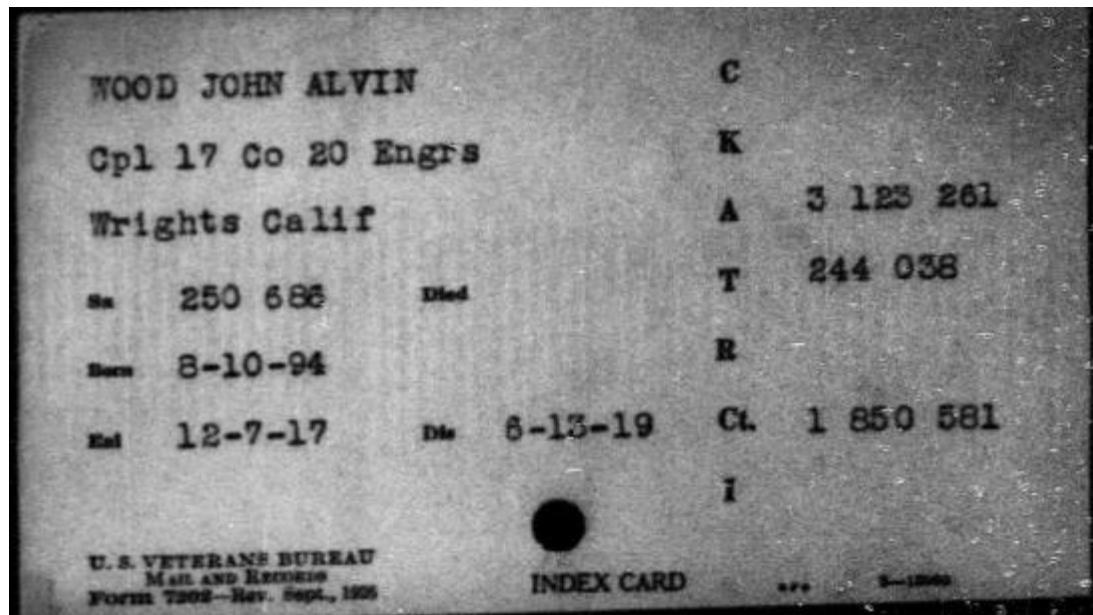


TUSCANIA

Wood, John Alvin
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John Alvin Wood – left: “San Francisco Examiner” Saturday 9 Feb 1918 p 2 -
<https://www.newspapers.com/image/457855159/> – and right: “San Francisco Chronicle”
10 Feb 1918 p 2



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Site of Wrights, May 2008. Some foundations can be seen in the woods, but little remains of the town.

Wright, a ghost town in Santa Cruz Co. CA -
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wrights,_California

John Alvin Wood Dies At Age 83

John Alvin Wood, 83, a rancher in the Santa Cruz mountains for 59 years, died today while visiting his daughter in Stanford.

A native of Placerville, he lived in Berkeley during his early years and at seven moved to Campbell where he finished high school. Then he attended UC Berkeley for two years, studying forestry. During World War I, he sailed to France. The transport Tusania sank en route but Mr. Wood survived.

Upon returning to the U.S., he married Florence Brown, his high school sweetheart in 1919 and took up ranching. He was a charter member of the Highlands Farm Bureau and a member of the Audubon Society.

Survivors include his wife, Florence of Los Gatos; two sons, Richard Wood of Potter Valley and Ray Wood of Calistoga; two daughters, Mrs. Marjorie Lund of Stanford and Mrs. Carol Mead of Los Altos; a half-brother, Robert Taylor of Los Gatos; two sisters, Mrs. Cecil Brooks of Los Gatos and Mrs. Ruth Deckman of Aptos; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are pending at Wessendorf and Holmes Funeral chapel.

WOOD — In Palo Alto, California, July 13, 1978. Mr. John Alvin Wood. Survived by his wife, Florence of Los Gatos; two sons, Richard A. Wood of Potter Valley and Ray I. Wood of Calistoga; two daughters, Mrs. Marjorie Lund of Stanford and Mrs. Carol Mead of Los Altos; one half brother, Mr. Robert Taylor of Los Gatos; two sisters, Mrs. Cecil Brooks of Los Gatos and Mrs. Ruth Deckman of Aptos. Also survived by 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Native of Placerville, aged 83 years.

Memorial services will be held Sunday, July 16th at 2 p.m. at Skyland Community Church, 25100 Skyland Rd., Los Gatos. Contributions requested to the Highland Health Center, 24900 Highland Way, Los Gatos, CA 95030. Funeral arrangements under the direction of Wessendorf & Holmes Funeral Chapel, 223 Church St., Santa Cruz. Private cremation took place in Palo Alto.

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"Santa Cruz [CA] Sentinel" left: Thursday 13 Jul 1978 p 31 & and right: Friday 14 Jul 1978 p

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Life:

FORMER EMPLOYEE OF LOMA PRIETA COMPANY AND BROTHER OF MRS. W. L. ROBINSON ON TUSCANIA

Of the four members of the sixteenth battalion, twentieth engineers, mentioned as having been on the ill-fated Tuscania and who are listed on the front pages of today's San Francisco papers as hailing from Santa Cruz, two have been more clearly identified for the better information of our readers.

Henry N. Otto is a brother of Mrs. Walter L. Robinson of Bayona Farm on Bay street. He wrote his sister from Camp Myers on the 21st of last month telling her that if she did not hear from him again she would know that he had embarked for "over there."

Armando Bustichi was formerly a

donkey engineer for the Loma Prieta Lumber company at the Loma Prieta camp. He was examined when the first draft was called and later enlisted in the engineers. He is known to have belonged to the twentieth engineers. A. Stoodley, local manager for the Loma Prieta, said this afternoon that Bustichi was a very competent man and that the company hated to lose him when he left it.

The other members of the engineer corps listed from Santa Cruz are Arthur Vermoules and Emil Vands Wallo.

John A. Wood of Wright was also on the Tuscania, belonging to the same corps.

"Santa Cruz (CA) Evening News" Friday 8 Feb 1918 p 4

Ira F. Brown, of the Twentieth Engineers, has been saved, according to a cable received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Brown, 2164 Forty-first avenue, today, following the landing of the Tuscania survivors. Brown had left Oakland with an early contingent of the engineers. John A. Wood, who was with him, was also saved, according to the cable. Wood's parents live in the Santa Cruz mountains, in the rear of "Wrights' Station."

"Oakland (CA) Tribune" Friday 8 Feb 1918 p 2

CHUMS SAVED IN SINKING OF THE TUSCANIA

Oakland Woman Says It Was
Happiest Moment of Her Life
When Told Her Son Is Safe

"The happiest moment in all my life," is the way Mrs. Franklin Brown, 2164 Forty-second avenue, Oakland, describes her receipt of a cablegram at 1 o'clock yesterday morning that her son, Ira F. Brown, and his chum, John A. Wood, Wright's Station, were among those saved from the Tuscania.

"I couldn't have been awakened to hear gladder tidings—only I wasn't asleep, for I couldn't rest during the two days of suspense.

"No mother in all of America can feel any happier than I," she said with a smile that all but hid the plainly evident traces of the long vigil. "I was proud of my boy when he was the first man in Oakland to register; I had pride when he gave me that little service flag; now I am happy that he has been a brave American, and that my country has taken good care of my son.

BRIEF MESSAGE.

"I cannot express my full feelings. If every mother with a son on the Tuscania could receive such a message as I my joy would be magnified beyond all measure."

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"Saved—Wire Wright's," signed by an officer supposed to be in command of a part of the Tuscania's troops, was the simple message of gladness. Wood, a chum of young Brown, is the son of Mrs. J. W. Taylor of Wright's, and the cable from an unknown port in Ireland bore glad news for both families.

The two enlisted in the Twentieth Engineers December 6 and arrived at Camp American University, Washington, D. C., on December 23. With them was Earl N. Blair, son of Matthew Blair, Placerville.

TWO U. C. STUDENTS.

Young Brown and Wood are both former University of California students. The former was a junior in the College of Engineers; the latter had left college prior to his enlisting, and was in the Forestry Service in Trinity county.

Franklin Brown, father of Ira Brown, is an Oakland coal dealer, while his brother, Earl, is a civil engineer in San Francisco.

HENRY OTTO AND A. BUSTICHI ARE AMONG SURVIVORS

E- MRS. W. L. ROBINSON OFFICIALLY
NOTIFIED BY WAR DEPART-
MENT OF BROTHER'S SAFETY.

of Mrs. W. L. Robinson of Bayona
n Farm on Bay street received the wel-
g come news in a wire from the war de-
g partment at Washington this morning
z that her brother, Henry N. Otto, was
z one of the survivors of the transport
it Tuscania, divered in the North Sea
y last Tuesday night. This will cause
d gladness in the heart of the mother,
n who also lives here.

s Armando Bustichi, former employe
s of the Loma Prieta Lumber company,
was also among the saved. John A.
s Wood of Wright was another lucky
s soldier from this part of the state. He
1- and his chum, an Oakland man, were
t- both saved.

"Santa Cruz (CA) Evening News" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 5

TELLS MOTHER OF EXPERIENCE ON TUSCANIA

The following letter was received from John A. Wood, one of the survivors of the Tuscania, by his mother, Mrs. J. W. Taylor of Wrights station. John Wood, with his chum, Ira Brown, two former Campbell boys, enlisted with the 20th engineers on December 6, 1917. They were sent to Camp American University, Washington, D. C. They set sail on the Tuscania and both were saved when the ship was torpedoed on February 6:

February 9, 1918.

Dear Mother—We are in Ireland now, close to Belfast, but expect to move soon, don't know where. We were torpedoed just at dark about 5:45. Most of us were down in our bunks waiting for supper call. It was our last night and everyone felt as though the danger had been passed. When the torpedo exploded we heard a dull explosion which slightly shook the ship. All lights went out immediately. Our hold was pitch dark, but in spite of that and, crowded as we were, we kept very good order. I got my life belt and mackinaw and when I had found the steps I went up on

deck and helped with the lowering of the boats. We had trouble with the boat I was assigned to; one of the ropes broke. When he finally got it lowered it was half full of water. I went down the tackle ropes into the boat with a life line in my hand. Then I pulled her up alongside and the boys commenced coming down the rope. We got about 35 men on and pulled away. We had all we could do bailing and rowing to keep the boat from swamping.

We just drifted along in the tide. About 9:30 the Tuscania sank slowly. When the boilers hit the water they exploded and that was the end. The destroyers first escorted the rest of

our convoy away, then came back to the rescue. Over 100 small boats from the shore came out and the work of rescue continued all night. We were picked up at 11:40 by a mine sweeper. We were all in pretty bad shape. Two men were too weak to help themselves, one who came out of the hospital with pneumonia and one who we had pulled out of the water nearly drowned. We, with about 500 others, were taken to Larne, getting there at 8 o'clock. About 700 men were sent to Londonderry. The Irish people treated us royally. They gave us the best. Our stay in Larne was a round of teas and concerts, etc., given for our benefit. When we left the whole town turned out. It was a public holiday; no work, no school. I am afraid they spoiled us a bit. We are now camped at a Scotch convalescent camp near Belfast, but expect to move soon.

Good-bye, from
JOHN A. WOOD.

"Santa Cruz Evening News" Friday 15 Mar 1918 p 2

SUNDAY MORNING TRAGEDY AT SKYLAND; RAILROAD MAN SHOTS HIMSELF

His mind affected from suffering, the result of an accident while working as a brakeman for the Southern Pacific company on the Sacramento division, Bert Ingraham, twenty-six years old, yesterday morning stood on the porch of the ranch home of his parents at Skyland and aiming a loaded shotgun at his face pulled the trigger. He was killed instantly, part of his head being blown off. The parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Ingraham, well known residents of the Skyland section, and a brother of the suicide, H. D. Ingraham, Jr., were expected here this afternoon to attend the inquest which was held at the Chase undertaking parlors at 2 o'clock, Coroner Congdon presiding.

The unfortunate young man who yesterday ended his life, was thrown from the cab of an engine, striking on his head on the ice in an accident several months ago. He was first

to the Southern Pacific hospital in San Francisco and finally to a private sanatorium in the hope of curing him from the effects of the accident. His recovery being delayed, preyed on his mind and about a month ago he went to the Skyland home of his parents and has since been terribly worried and feared losing his mind altogether.

Yesterday morning he borrowed a shotgun from John A. Wood, a neighbor. When asked as to his intentions with the gun Ingraham is said to have replied to Wood, "It's none of your business," and ordered him away. Shortly after this incident the tragedy was enacted.

"Santa Cruz (CA) Evening News" Monday 26 Jan 1920 p 1

THE NEW GRAHAM BROTHERS TRUCK MAKES HIT HERE

John A. Wood, a progressive rancher of Wrights, in the mountains back of Los Gatos, has the distinction of being the first owner of the magnificent new Graham Brothers truck. He has purchased, through L. W. McDuffie agency of Los Gatos, one of the new one and a half ton models, with four-wheel hydraulic brakes and four speed transmission. The new transmission gives an additional low speed, of great value in hauling.

"Los Gatos (CA) Star" Thursday 1 Sep 1927 p 7

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DE MOLAY'S MEET

The Santa Cruz chapter Order of the De Molay met in the Masonic temple last evening and conferred the first degree on four candidates. Those who received the degree were William Staples, Stanly Hopkins, Adolph Rother and John A. Wood.

The Santa Cruz chapter is in possession of a cup for excellence in putting on the second degree and the Monterey chapter has challenged them. The competitive degree will be put on in Santa Cruz, January 21 in the Masonic hall with Santa Cruz furnishing the candidates. The three judges will be Master Masons one each from Monterey, Watsonville and Santa Cruz.

Reports were given on the progress of the basketball team. Santa Cruz will play the Harris Togs Monday night and January 2 will meet the Watsonville De Molay team in Watsonville. Iver Iversen, manager, is negotiating for a game with Los Gatos.

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Is this him? - "Santa Cruz (CA) Evening News" Friday 27 Dec 1929 p 6

BIGGS PERSONALS

BIGGS, Jan. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. George McLean of the Colonia hotel, are spending a few days in San Francisco.

Pete Cazassa, local merchant, spent Sunday in Oroville.

Robert Taylor and John A. Wood came from Santa Cruz Saturday to spend the week-end hunting near Biggs.

A. W. Bohn was here from Sacramento Monday on business.

"Yuba City (CA) Appeal-Democrat" Tuesday 14 Jan 1930 p 7

25 Are Presented With Certificates In First Aid Work

Twenty-five members of the 4-H clubs and scout organizations have received official certificates from the American National Red Cross for successfully completing a ten weeks' course in first aid training, conducted under the auspices of the first aid and life saving committee of the Santa Cruz Red Cross chapter.

At the ceremony were practically all the representatives of the executive board of the Santa Cruz chapter, with Harold Terwilliger, field representative in first aid and life saving from the San Francisco office.

James R. Williamson, chairman of the Santa Cruz chapter, outlined the work of the committee and congratulated the students. The class was under the direct charge of Miss Norma Van Drueten, with Miss Marian Hilts, Dr. S. B. Randall and J. C. Barrington assisting.

Certificates were awarded to William Calocca, Anthony B. Cecchin, George Connolly, Angelo DaVico, Charles B. Eggleston, Stephen M. Fidel, Ethel Frappwell, R. D. Gibbs, Mrs. Visa R. Gibbs, Alvena C. Liebenberg, Myrtle Liebenberg, Earl L. Lyon, R. A. Macaulay, Homer W. Marston, G. W. Nelson, H. L. Middleton, Alois F. Oettl, J. K. Powers, H. W. Sherrid, Raymond J. Siefert, J. Tonjum, Ralph E. Whitely, Deloss R. Wilder, Tom P. Williams and John A. Wood.

S. C. Mountains Telephone Ass'n Papers Are Filed

Formation of the Santa Cruz Mountains Telephone Association, composed of residents in the Wrights and Laurel area, was revealed in the filing of certified articles of incorporation with County Clerk Harry E. Miller today.

Authorized to issue membership certificates of \$1 each, but no stock shares, the organization is empowered to own and operate telephone lines and instruments, to own and lease rights-of-way.

Officers and directors listed in the articles are: Karl H. Hummel, president; John A. Wood, vice president; A. H. Young, treasurer; L. L. Rapp, A. R. Fidel, W. L. Humey, directors, all of Wrights, and D. A. La Porte, director, of Laurel.

"Santa Cruz (CA) Evening News" Wednesday 29 Apr 1936 p 2

Wine Shortage Caused By War Blockade May Revive Dead Santa Cruz Industry

Excerpt:

Most growers in the county today ship their grapes direct to the wineries in the San Joaquin valley.

Following is a list of most of the growers and the approximate acreages in this county:

Five acres or less:

Mrs. E. C. Thiema of Bonny Doon, Mrs. C. Thompson of Route 1, Santa Cruz; W. Bates of Route 2, Los Gatos; Frank Sonzogno of 809 Ocean street, Walter Vass of Aptos, Grace and C. H. Von Harfinger of Route 2, Los Gatos; Mabel B. Webb and L. W. O'Conner of Route 1, Santa Cruz; John A. Wood of Route 2, Los Gatos; Novak Achmovich of Santa Cruz, W. Wragg of Route 2, Los Gatos; Gail Wilson of Route 2, Los Gatos; City and County of Santa Cruz at De La-veaga park.

"Santa Cruz (CA) Sentinel" Friday 4 Apr 1941 p 13

WOOD

Private Ray I. Wood, son of John A. Wood of the Hester Creek school district region of Santa Cruz county, whose address is Rt. 2, Box 253, Los Gatos, is stationed at Provisional field hospital No. 1 in the Hawaiian Islands. He has been in the service nine months, having received his training at Camp Barkeley, Texas.

Jack W. Wood, brother of Ray, is a private in the A. S. T.U., now at Texas A. & M. as a civil engineering student. He will go from there to officer candidate school for a commission in the engineers corps. He was graduated from Santa Cruz high school in 1938.

"Santa Cruz (CA) Sentinel" Sunday 21 Nov 1943 p 4

A. A. A. Farm Committees Appointed

For the benefit of those who have made numerous inquiries concerning the AAA committees for 1945, a list of the AAA committee and a partial list of the community officers elected by farmers from nearby districts is given here.

Each community also elected a delegate and alternate delegate to the county convention, which meets to elect a five-man county committee.

Elected to the 1945 county AAA committee were W. G. Wolfe, chairman, a dairyman from Scotts Valley, who has served as vice chairman for three years; vice chairman, A. T. Enos, Watsonville orchardist; regular member, Bill Miller, Watsonville farmer, and J. E. Reite, director of the Poultry Producers for Santa Cruz, Monterey and San Benito counties, and Arno R. Fidel, Soquel farmer.

The 1945 committee reappointed Claude Garner of Aptos as secretary and treasurer, and Miss Talma Windle as assistant treasurer. Since then Miss Windle resigned her position to go to Berkeley to be in the information department of the California Agricultural association.

Mrs. Frances L. Totten, in the office here in Santa Cruz, will take over her work.

From the Corralitos community the following men were elected: Harry H. Rhodes, chairman; Eldon D. Spain, vice chairman; E. C. Brownlee, member; Morley Bradley and George V. Petersen, alternates.

From the Highland community these men were elected: A. F. Oettl, chairman; Adolphus L. Rapp, vice chairman; Karl H. Hummel, member; John A. Wood and S. M. Fidel, alternates.

Fidel, alternates.

The following men were selected from Santa Cruz community: Arno R. Fidel, chairman; Thomas E. Majors, vice chairman; Mario J. Alietti, member; Battista Lorenzi and Daniel M. Staffler, alternates.

Scotts Valley had the following committee: Edward J. Fusari, chairman; Henry J. Liebenberg, vice chairman; Tony Marini, member; John E. Bussi and Lawrence Oneto, alternates.

"Santa Cruz (CA) Sentinel" Saturday 24 Feb 1945 p 5

Mr. and Mrs. John Wood of Skyland had as their guests for Thanksgiving dinner Mr. Wood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor, son Bob and daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Deckman of Live Oak, Santa Cruz, the Woods' daughter and

son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lund and son David of Palo Alto, their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wood and daughter Kathleen of Burrell, and Bob Carlson of Berkeley. Carol Wood, a senior at the University of California at Berkeley, spent the Thanksgiving vacation with her parents.

"Los Gatos (CA) Times-Saratoga Observer" Friday 3 Dec 1948 p 6

Great Grandma and Grandpa William Taylor of the Summit road were host and hostess Christmas for members of their immediate family. Son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wood of Skyland and their daughters and sons, Carol, Margie, Ray and Richard, were all present with their families. There are six great grandchildren from the three married children of the Woods. Other family members included the Taylors' other son and two daughters and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Deckman, and Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Brooks.

"Los Gatos (CA) Times-Saratoga Observer" Friday 26 Dec 1952 p 2

Three Los Gatos Men Take Salmon

Three Los Gatos men took salmon up to 13½ pounds recently while fishing out of Santa Cruz on a Stagnaro boat.

Al Moss boated the largest fish, John A. Wood hooked a 13 pounder and Dr. C. L. Andrus took a limit to 10¾ pounds.

"Los Gatos (CA) Times-Saratoga Observer" Wednesday 3 Apr 1957 p 8

Wife:

Florence Wood Dies At Age 84

Florence M. Wood, a former teacher in Palo Alto schools during the early part of the century and a well-loved member of the Los Gatos-Santa Cruz mountain community for the last 60 years, died Monday in Menlo Park. She was 84.

Born in Harlan, Iowa, she came to San Francisco in 1896 as the two-year-old daughter of a gold prospector. She graduated from Campbell High and San Francisco Normal College in 1916.

Her teaching career included work in La Honda and later the Ravenswood Elementary School in Palo Alto.

She married the late John A. Wood, a pioneer rancher in the Skyland area, where they raised five children. All five are Santa Cruz High School graduates.

Surviving her are her children, Ray Wood of Calistoga, Richard Wood of Potter Valley, Marjorie Lund of Stanford and Carol Mead of Los Altos; 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. One son, John, died in World War II.

Obituary of Florence Mabel Brown Wood - "Santa Cruz (CA) Sentinel" Wednesday 24 Oct 1979 p 50

MARRIAGE LICENSE

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State of California,)
) ss.
 City and County of San Francisco.)

THESE PRESENTS are to authorize and license any Justice of the Supreme Court, Justice of the District Court of Appeals, Judge of the Superior Court, Judge of the Police Court, Justice of the Peace, Priest or Minister of the Gospel of any denomination to solemnize, within said County, the Marriage of JOHN ALVIN WOOD, White aged 24 years and past, resident of Wrights, County of Santa Clara, State of California, and FLORENCE MABLE BROWN, White aged 24 years and past, resident of City and County of San Francisco, State of Calif. said parties being of sufficient age to be capable of contracting marriage as appears by affidavit of record in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the City and County of San Francisco, this 14th day of July 1919.

(Seal)

H. I. MULCREVY County Clerk and ex-officio
 Clerk of said Superior Court.

By HARRY J. GOUGH Deputy.

State of California,)
) ss.
 City and County of San Francisco.)

THIS CERTIFIES THAT

JOHN ALVIN WOOD and FLORENCE MABLE BROWN
 the parties in the above license were joined in marriage by me on the 15th day of July A. D. 1919, in said City and County and State, that Ira _ Brown a resident of Oakland, County of Alameda, State of California, and Ruth _ Hayes a resident of Campbell, County of Santa Clara, State of California were present as witnesses of said ceremony.

NAME: IRA F. BROWN

No. 2164 - 42nd Ave. _

WITNESSES:

NAME: RUTH M. HAYES

No. _

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand this 15th day of July A. D. 1919.

HIRAM W. HARBAUGH, Presbyterian Minister.

Recorded at the request of H. W. Harbaugh.

July 16, 1919.

No. 3431

H. J. Gough
 County Recorder.

By O. M. Nuttall
Deputy

Marriage on 15 Jul 1919 in <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:33S7-95DC-QV2?view=index&personArk=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3AQL4B-JB2L&action=view>

PLACE OF MARRIAGE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO		CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS	
CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE		State Index No. _____	
TRUE COPY OF ORIGINAL		LOCAL REGISTERED NO. 3431	
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE			
GROOM		BRIDE	
1 FULL NAME John Alvin Wood	14 FULL NAME Florence Mable Broon		
2 RESIDENCE Wrights, Calif.	15 RESIDENCE 3538-21st St. S. F.		
3 COLOR OR RACE White	16 COLOR OR RACE White	4 AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 24 (Years)	17 AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 24 (Years)
5 SINGLE, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Single	18 SINGLE, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Single	6 NUMBER OF MARRIAGE 1	19 NUMBER OF MARRIAGE 1
7 BIRTHPLACE Calif. (State or Country)	20 BIRTHPLACE Iowa (State or Country)		
8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work Farmer (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)	21 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work Teacher (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)		
9 NAME OF FATHER John Wood	22 NAME OF FATHER Wm. Brown		
10 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER Ill. (State or Country)	23 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER Iowa (State or Country)		
11 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Jennie Ray	24 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Alice Irwin		
12 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER Ill. (State or Country)	25 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER Iowa (State or Country)		
26 MAIDEN NAME OF BRIDE, IF SHE WAS PREVIOUSLY MARRIED			
WE, the groom and bride named in this Certificate, hereby certify that the information given therein is correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.			
John Alvin Wood		Florence Mable Broon	
Groom		Bride	
27 Filled out in the presence of Harry J. Gough Deputy County Clerk.			
28 CERTIFICATE OF PERSON PERFORMING CEREMONY			
I HEREBY CERTIFY that John Alvin Wood and Florence Mable Broon were joined in Marriage by me			
in accordance with the laws of the State of California, at San Francisco			
this 15th day of July 1919 .			
Signature of Witness to the Marriage Ira F. Brown		Signature of Person Performing the Ceremony H. W. Harbaugh	
Residence 2164-42th Ave. Oakland		Official position Clergyman	
29 FILED July 16, 1919.		E. Godchaux Registrar (County Recorder)	
		Residence 1055 Aileen St., Oak.	

CA marriage license records father's name as John Wood, born Illinois -
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:33S7-956G-DSQ?view=index&personArk=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3AQL41-45LH&action=view>

Leslie Brown's mother dies in Oakland

Funeral services for Mrs. Alice Marie Brown, 80, mother of Leslie N. Brown of Palo Alto, will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday in the chapel of Crosby-N. Gray mortuary, 23 California drive, Burlingame. Interment will follow at Cypress Lawn Memorial Park.

Mrs. Brown, who had lived in Burlingame for 47 years, died in an Oakland rest home. She is survived by Mr. Brown of Palo Alto and four other children, Robert Brown of Pacific Grove, Fred H. Brown of Burlingame, Mrs. Jessie Lovejoy of Berkeley, and Mrs. John A. Wood of Los Gatos.

Obituary of Florence Brown Wood's mother – "Peninsula Times Tribune" (Palo Alto CA)
Saturday 22 Jul 1944 p 3

Three former classmates at Campbell high gathered last week for a little vacation together at the Cambria home of Col. and Mrs. Anders Larsen. The hostess, Mrs. Ruth Ortman and Mrs. John A. Wood of Soquel road did a good deal of reminiscing about their high school days as they enjoyed a leisurely few days in each others company.

"Los Gatos (CA) Times-Saratoga Observer" Thursday 31 May 1956 p 3

Children:



Son John William Wood (1921-1944) – Find A Grave 74118295

WOOD — In Camp Maxey, Texas, May 13, 1944, Pvt. John W. Wood, aged 22 years, 10 mos., 8 days; native of California; loving son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wood, brother of Richard Wood of Highland district, Ray I. Wood of U. S. army, Marjorie E. Wood and Carol V. Wood of Highland.

Friends are invited to attend services Friday, May 19, 1944, at 10:30 o'clock a. m. at the Place funeral home, 115 North Santa Cruz avenue, Los Gatos, California. Interment in the Golden Gate National cemetery, San Mateo county, Calif. 5-17-2t

Obituary of John William Wood – published in “Santa Cruz (CA) Sentinel” 17 May 1944 p 14
– on Find A Grave 74118295

John Wood Dies In Explosion At Camp Maxey

Sympathy from a large circle of relatives and friends is extended to the John A. Wood family of the Highland district, whose son, Pvt. John W. Wood, aged 23 years, was killed last Saturday in an accidental explosion at Camp Maxey, Tex. He had been in military service about two years, it is said.

In addition to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wood of Highland, there are two brothers, Richard Wood of Highland district, and Ray I. Wood, U. S. army. Also two sisters, Marjorie and Carol Wood of Highland district, the latter a student in Santa Cruz high school.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 10:30 a.m. from the Place funeral home in Los Gatos. Burial will be in the Golden Gate national cemetery in San Mateo county.

"Santa Cruz (CA) Sentinel" Wednesday 17 May 1944 p 9

Reported by: Cpl. Carl H. Steele

NOTE THE INFORMATION CALLED FOR ON THE REVERSE SIDE

1. PLACE OF DEATH		TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		24129
STATE OF TEXAS		COUNTY OF <u>Lamar</u>		
CITY OR PRECINCT NO. <u>Camp Maxey, Texas</u>		STATION HOSPITAL		
2. FULL NAME OF DECEASED <u>John William Wood</u>				
GIVE STREET AND NUMBER OR NAME OF INSTITUTION				
LENGTH OF RESIDENCE WHERE DEATH OCCURRED <u>0</u> YEARS <u>1</u> MONTHS <u>21</u> DAYS (SOCIAL SECURITY NO. <u>DK</u>)				
RESIDENCE OF DECEASED <u>Box 253</u> CITY <u>Los Gatos</u> COUNTY <u></u> STATE <u>Calif</u>				
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS				
3. SEX <u>Male</u>	4. COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	17. DATE OF DEATH <u>May 13</u> 19 <u>44</u>		
5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (WRITE THE WORD) <u>Single</u>		18. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM <u>May 13</u> 19 <u>44</u> TO <u>May 13</u> 19 <u>44</u>		
6. DATE OF BIRTH <u>July 5, 1921</u>		I LAST SAW HIM <u>in person</u> <u>May 13</u> 19 <u>44</u>		
7. AGE YEARS <u>22</u> MONTHS <u>10</u> DAYS <u>8</u>	IF LESS THAN 1 DAY HOURS <u></u> MIN <u></u>		THE DEATH OCCURRED ON THE DATE STATED ABOVE AT <u>3:40 P. M.</u>	
8A. TRADE, PROFESSION OR KIND OF WORK DONE <u>Soldier</u>		THE PRIMARY CAUSE OF DEATH WAS:		
8B. INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS IN WHICH ENGAGED <u>U.S. Army</u>		Hemorrhage, traumatic, into right thorax and pericardium.		
9. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>California</u>		CONTRIBUTORY Laceration, lower lobe, right lung; right auricle, and right ventricle.		
10. NAME <u>John A. Wood</u>		CAUSES WERE		
11. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>California</u>		IF NOT DUE TO DISEASE, SPECIFY WHETHER: <u>Accident</u>		
12. MAIDEN NAME <u>DK</u>		ACCIDENT, SUICIDE, OR HOMICIDE		
13. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>Iowa</u>		DATE OF OCCURRENCE <u>May 13, 1944</u>		
14. SIGNATURE <u>Army Records</u>		PLACE OF OCCURRENCE <u>Reservation, Cp Maxey, Tex</u>		
ADDRESS <u>Camp Maxey, Texas</u>		MANNER OR MEANS <u>Exploding 81 mm mortar shell</u>		
15. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>San Jose, Calif.</u> TEXAS		IF RELATED TO OCCUPATION OF DECEASED, SPECIFY		
DATE <u>5/15/44</u> 19 <u>44</u>		SIGNATURE <u>LEROY SIMMONS, Lt Col, MC</u> M.D. <u>XXX</u>		
16. SIGNATURE <u>Brown - Roden</u>		ADDRESS <u>Station Hospital, Camp Maxey, Texas</u>		
ADDRESS <u>Paris, Texas</u>		SIGNATURE OF LOCAL REGISTRAR <u>Bar Davis</u> POSTOFFICE ADDRESS <u>Paris, Texas</u>		
20. FILE NUMBER <u>31</u>	FILE DATE <u>5-24</u> 19 <u>44</u>			

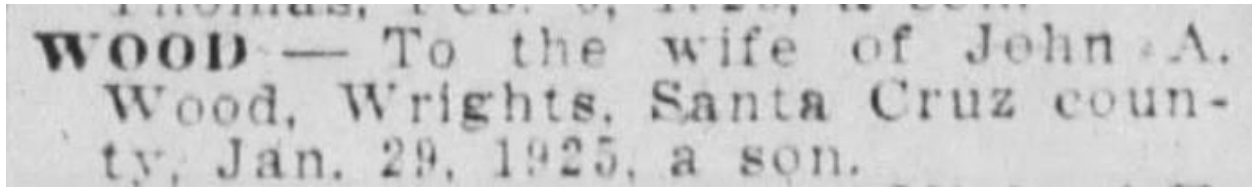
TX death record of son John William Wood – caused by an exploding mortar shell -
https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2272/images/40394_b062255-02707?pId=81479187

California Birth Index, 1905-1995

View record

Name Ray I Wood
 Birth Date 28 Jan 1923
 Gender Male
 Mother's Maiden Name Brown
 Birth County Santa Clara

Son Ray Irwin Wood (1923-2003) - https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/169134070/person/262199223907/facts?_phsrc=hFB70875&_phstart=succcessSource



Birth of son **Richard Alvin Wood** on 29 Jan 1925 in Wrights, Santa Cruz CA – “Oakland (CA) Tribune” Friday 13 Feb 1925 p 42

Richard Wood

in the California Birth Index, 1905-1995

Name	Richard Wood
Birth Date	29 Jan 1925
Gender	Male
Mother's Maiden Name	Brown
Birth County	Alameda

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1264627:5247?ssrc=pt&tid=169134070&pid=262198914126>

FORM APPROVED
Budget Bureau No. 33-R012-42

REGISTRATION CARD (Men born on or after July 1, 1924, and on or before December 31, 1924)
(Also for the registration of men as they reach the 18th anniversary of the date of their birth on or after January 1, 1943.)

SERIAL NUMBER	1. NAME (Print)			ORDER NUMBER
W <u>113</u>	RICHARD	ALVIN	WOOD	<u>12208</u>
(First) (Middle) (Last)				

2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print)
Rt. 2, Box 253 Santa Cruz Santa Cruz California
(Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)

[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON LINE 2 ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]

3. MAILING ADDRESS
Same
(Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same, insert word same)

4. TELEPHONE <u>Burrell 7 R 21</u>	5. AGE IN YEARS <u>18</u>	6. PLACE OF BIRTH
		<u>Oakland</u>
		(Town or county)
		<u>California</u>
		(State or country)

7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS
Mrs. Florence M. Wood Rt. 2, Box 253 Santa Cruz Calif.

8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS
Student - Santa Cruz High School

9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS
(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.

DSS Form 1 (Rev. 11-16-42) e16-21630-4 Richard Alvin Wood
(OVER) (Registrant's signature)

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

RACE		HEIGHT (Approx.)		WEIGHT (Approx.)		COMPLEXION	
White	X	5' 4"		130		Sallow	
		EYES		HAIR		Light	
Negro		Blue		Blonde		Ruddy	X
Indian		Gray		Red	X	Dark	
		Hazel	X	Brown		Freckled	
Filipino		Brown		Black		Light brown	
Japanese		Black		Gray		Dark brown	
Other Oriental				Bald		Black	

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification
None

Bernice Elliott
(Signature of registrar)

Registrar for Local Board 282 Santa Cruz California
(Number) (City or county) (State)

Date of registration February 1, 1943

Local Board No. 282	91
Santa Cruz County	087
FEB 1 1943	282

Civic Auditorium, Room H

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

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<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/19259596:2238>

MARRIED

WOOD-LARSEN — In Soquel, October 17, 1947 by Rev. T. Davis Preston, Richard Alvin Wood of Los Gatos and Pearl Marie Larsen of Santa Cruz.

Marriage to Pearl Marie Larsen on 17 Oct 1947 – “Santa Cruz (CA) Sentinel” Wednesday 22 Oct 1947 p 12

Richard Wood Obituary

Born on January 29, 1925 in Oakland, California and passed away June 3, 2009 in Potter Valley, California. He grew up in the Santa Cruz Mountains, graduated Santa Cruz High in 1944. He served with distinction as a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division, the 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment and the 325th Glider Infantry Regiment during World War II. Before he retired he farmed fruit ranches in both Santa Cruz and Mendocino Counties, he was also a Farm Bureau Member since 1946, and an active member of the farmer's market in Ukiah and Willits. He enjoyed spending time with his family, traveling, hunting, fishing and metal detecting. Richard has been active in the Potter Valley community for 39 years. Survived by his wife, Pearl of 61 years; daughters, Kathleen Smith of Orangevale; LindaSue (Dave) Todd of Sheridan, Oregon, Patricia Wood of Mountain Home, Arkansas, Peggy Fish of Worden, Montana, Jacalyn (Steve) Siemer of Sagle, Idaho; 16

grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren; sisters Marjorie Lund of Stanford and Carol Mead of Los Altos; many nieces, nephews and friends. His parents, John and Florence Wood; brothers, John W. Wood and Ray I Wood, preceded him in death. In loving memory, a Celebration of Life Service will be held on Saturday, June 27, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. at the Pauli Ranch (12507 Hawn Creek Road, Potter Valley) under the trees in the vineyard. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Potter Valley Volunteer Fire Department P.O. Box 46 Potter Valley, CA 95469. Arrangements in care of THE EVERSOLE MORTUARY 707-462-2206
Published by Press Democrat from Jun. 10 to Jun. 11, 2009.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/pressdemocrat/name/richard-wood-obituary?id=15463940>

Marjorie Ellen Wood in the California Birth Index, 1905-1995	
Name	Marjorie Ellen Wood
Birth Date	16 Jul 1926
Gender	Female
Mother's Maiden Name	Brown
Birth County	Alameda

Daughter Marjorie Ellen Wood Lund (1926-2009) <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1352355:5247?tid=&pid=&queryId=f51ca98f1975d29294236060122cbaaf&phsrc=hFB70879&phstart=successSource>

Marjorie Lund Obituary

Marjorie Ellen Lund July 16, 1926-June 29, 2009 Marjorie Lund passed away peacefully in her home, June 29th, surrounded by the love of her family, and close friends. Marjorie, the daughter of John and Florence Wood, was one of five children, raised in the Skyland Community of the Santa Cruz Mountains and graduated from Santa Cruz High School (1943). She attended Secretarial School in Palo Alto, and worked at Dibble Hospital in Menlo Park, where she met her future husband, Harry W. Lund, a WWII Veteran. Married in 1947 they lovingly raised their family, David, Nancy (Hayes), and Jon in the Palo Alto-Stanford area where Harry was employed for many years by the Stanford University Fire Dept. Marjorie was active in the San Mateo County 4-H program for over 45 years, serving on the 4-H Scholarship committee. She enjoyed bowling at Tressider Union, Square Dancing with the Curli-Q's, and was a dedicated Stanford Football tailgater for decades. She was employed by the Stanford Student Health Center

for 25 years. Family always meant the most to Marjorie and she has passed on her strength, love and quiet determination to her children, 7 grand children and her great grand-daughter. She is also survived by her sister, Carol Mead, of Los Altos. Memorial Services will be held July 19 at 2:00 pm at the chapel of Roller Hapgood & Tinney, 980 Middlefield Rd., Palo Alto. A celebration of her life will be held following the service at her home of 41 years. Donations in her honor may be sent to the Lund Memorial 4-H Scholarship I fund c/o Lois Murphy; 1308 North Road, Belmont, CA 94002.

Published by San Jose Mercury News on Jul. 8, 2009.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/mercurynews/name/marjorie-lund-obituary?id=22610578>

Marjorie Wood weds Harry Lund

Marjorie Wood and Harry W. Lund were married Saturday at the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Redwood City.

The bride wore a gown of traditional white slipper satin, and carried a shower bouquet of gardenias and butterfly orchids. Her finger-tip-length veil, which fell from a beaded coronet, was of lace-edged net.

The bride's sister, Carol, who was her maid of honor, wore a dress of pale green faille, and carried Talisman roses.

The flower girls, Carol Jean Hamman and Betty Lou Lund, were dressed in pastel pink and yellow frocks.

Richard Wood, the bride's brother, was best man, and the ushers were Harold Stapleton, Ray Wood, and Bill Brown.

A reception after the ceremony was held at the home of Marjorie's aunt, Mrs. L. N. Brown on Donohoe St.

Marjorie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wood of Los Gatos, and Harry's mother is Mrs. Elsie Lund of Rockford, Ill. The couple met at Dibble General Hospital, where Harry was a patient and Marjorie was employed. More recently, she has been working at the Palo Alto City Hall.

After a Canadian honeymoon, Marjorie and Harry will return to make their home in East Palo Alto.

Marriage of daughter Marjorie E. Wood to Harry W. Lund on 26 Apr 1947 – "Peninsula Times Tribune" (Palo Alto CA) Tuesday 29 Apr 1947 p 7

Carol Virginia Wood in the California Birth Index, 1905-1995

Name	Carol Virginia Wood
Birth Date	20 Dec 1927
Gender	Female
Mother's Maiden Name	Brown
Birth County	Alameda

CA birth record of daughter Carol Virginia Wood Mead (1927-) -
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui->

content/view/1440990:5247?tid=&pid=&queryId=9fe22422e2f0767479133f1274f43650&phsrc=hFB70881&_phstart=successSource



CAROL WOOD AND HER FIANCE, MERRILL H. MEAD
Their wedding is scheduled for May 7 at Stanford.

STANFORD SETTING

Wedding in May for Carol Wood, Merrill H. Mead

It will be a May wedding for Merrill H. Mead and Carol Wood, both of Palo Alto, friends learned at a party given in their honor Saturday evening, when formal announcement of their engagement was made.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harris were hosts at their new home in Barron Park.

Carol is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wood of Hester Creek. She has been making her home in Palo Alto with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Lund, while employed at Ames Laboratory. She has two brothers, Richard Wood of Hester Creek and Ray Wood of San Jose.

Bill, as the prospective bridegroom is best known, is the son of Mrs. Dorothy H. Mead of Palo Alto and E. M. Mead of Oakland. His sister is Mrs. Robert G. Hearndon (Martha Mead) of Palo Alto.

Their wedding will take place at 3 p.m. May 7 at Stanford Memorial Church.

Bill, who is an aeronautical engineer at Ames, is a graduate of Palo Alto High School and the University of Minnesota. He also did graduate work at Stanford, where he was a member of Eta Deuteron chapter of Theta Delta Chi. During the war Bill served three years in the navy.

Carol is the graduate of the University of California in Berkeley and of Santa Cruz High School.

Engagement of daughter Carol Virginia Wood to Merrill H. Mead – "Peninsula Times Tribune" (Palo Alto CA) Monday 13 Mar 1950 p 8

Carol Wood to Be Married Sunday At Stanford Chapel

Miss Carol Wood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wood of Hester Creek, will be married Sunday, May 7, at the Stanford Memorial church in Palo Alto. The prospective bridegroom is Merrill H. Mead of Palo Alto, a graduate of Palo Alto school and of the University of Minnesota. Since graduate work at Stanford university he has been employed as an aeronautical engineer at Ames laboratory. Carol has been working at the Ames laboratory and is staying at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Lund of Palo Alto. She is a graduate of the University of California and attended the Santa Cruz high school.

Her parents are well known for their activities in the Skyland district in the Santa Cruz mountains. Miss Wood has two brothers, Ray Wood of San Jose, and Richard Wood of Hester Creek.

"Los Gatos (CA) Times-Saratoga Observer" Monday 1 May 1950 p 3

Carol Wood becomes the bride of Merrill H. Mead at Stanford

Carol Virginia Wood became Mrs. Merrill H. Mead yesterday at Stanford Memorial Church.

The bride, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wood of Los Gatos, was preceded to the altar by six bridal attendants

and a cascade bouquet of white carnations.

The honor attendant was the bride's sister, Mrs. Harry W. Lund (Marjorie Wood) of Palo Alto. She wore a ballerina length gown of white organdie over aqua taffeta styled with a Peter Pan collar and cap sleeves. The little flower girl, Jill Brown, wore a full length frock of the same colors.

The secondary attendants wore identical ballerina dresses over pale yellow taffeta. All the attendants carried salmon sweet peas and wore crowns of the same flowers in their hair. They were Shirley Smith, Beverlee Hogan, Polly Catlin, Mrs. Richard A. Harris (Robannie Waybor), and the bridegroom's sister, Mrs. Robert G. Herndon (Martha Mead).

The masculine contingent wore white coats and dark blue trousers. Ushers were Robert U. Hofstetter, James R. Vertin, James M. Parmelee, James W. Nagle, and Ted Taylor. John W. Boyd served as best man.

The Rev. R. Marvin Stuart performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Wood wore a brown and

and was escorted by her father. She wore a full length gown of imported Swiss lace over ivory satin. It was fashioned with full-length, pointed sleeves and a long, full skirt. The fingertip veil was held in place by a Dutch cap of matching lace. Carol carried a cascade bouquet of white

four bouquets of white stock and gladiola flanked the candlelit altar of the church. The soloist preceding the ceremony was the bridegroom's uncle, Dr. Donald V. Hutton, who played several violin selections.

The reception for some 350 guests was held at the Webster St. home of Dr. and Mrs. Hutton, where the newlyweds greeted friends in the flower-decked patio.

Before leaving on a three-weeks honeymoon in Southern California, Carol changed to a silk print dress in brown, yellow, and green, with brown and yellow accessories and a beige topcoat.

On their return the newlywed Meads will live in Mountain View. Both Carol and Bill are employed at Ames Aeronautical Laboratory. Carol is a graduate of Santa Cruz High School, and of the University of California, where she lived at Stern Hall. She is the sister of Ray I. Wood, Richard A. Wood, and Mrs. Lund.

Bill is the son of Mrs. Mead and of E. M. Mead of Oakland. He is a graduate of Palo Alto

yellow silk print dress with brown accessories and a yellow begonia corsage. Mrs. Dorothy H. Mead of Palo Alto, the bridegroom's mother, wore a knit dress of cocoa and gold with a cocoa straw hat and corsage of yellow orchids.

Four bouquets of white stock

High School and of the University of Minnesota. He also took graduate studies for a year at Stanford. During the war he served as an ensign in the navy. Mrs. Herndon is his only sister.

"Peninsula Times Tribune" (Palo Alto CA) Monday 8 May 1950 p 6



—Photo by Keeble's
THEY'RE MR. AND MRS. NOW—Merrill H. Mead and his bride, the former Carol Wood, paused for the photographer as they entered the garden where their wedding reception was held. The bridegroom's uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. Donald Hutton, were hosts for the event, held at their Palo Alto home. The wedding was performed at Stanford Memorial Church. Carol is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wood of Los Gatos. Bill's parents are Mrs. Dorothy Mead of Palo Alto and E. M. Mead of Oakland.

“Peninsula Times Tribune” (Palo Alto CA) Friday 12 May 1950 p 10

surrounding the wedding of Carol Virginia Wood and Merrill H. Mead, which was a 3 o'clock event in Stanford Memorial Chapel on Sunday last:

Miss Nancy Brown of Carmel came to East Palo Alto to be the house guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie N. Brown of 228 Donohoe St. on Saturday, and was a special guest at the bridal party dinner given by Carol's sister, Mrs. Harry Lund on that evening . . . then the whole Brown clan assembled at the L. N.'s home for a buffet luncheon preceding the ceremonies and they came from all directions. Included in the luncheon party were Mrs. Jessie Lovejoy and Tom Lovejoy of Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. John Wood of San Jose, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wood and Miss Kathleen Wood of Los Gatos, Ray Wood of San Jose, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown of Carmel, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown of Burlingame, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Rainey and Miss Yvonne Rainey of San Mateo, Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace and Miss Georgia Wallace of Salina, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keeble of Richmond and their children Patsy, Robert, Bill and Kevin, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lund

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Sidelights on the weekend

and son David of Palo Alto, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brooks of Los Gatos, Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor of Los Gatos, Mrs. Layton Wicksten and daughter Kathy of San Francisco, Miss Patsy Wyatt of San Jose, Miss Nancy Brown of Carmel and Ensign Norman

Brown of Carmel . . . this gang of Browns, etc., included brothers, sisters, nephews, nieces and all the grandchildren . . . Jill Brown, the youngest grandchild was a bewitching picture at the wedding as flower girl with yellow curls cascading down the back of her head, demure in a gown of white organdy over aqua taffeta with Peter Pan collar and puffed sleeves, just like the matron of honor's gown (except that Mrs. Lund wore a ballerina length dress, while Jill's touched the ground) . . . Georgia Wallace has remained on as house guest of the L. N. Browns for this week . . . hmmm . . . after the wedding ceremonies and the lovely reception in the patio of Dr. and Mrs. Donald V. Hutton, uncle and aunt of the bride . . . the Brown clan returned to the Donohoe St. address for more celebration.

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In passing we should tell you that Carol is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wood of Los Gatos, graduated from Santa Cruz High School and the University of California. She is the sister of Ray I. Wood, Richard A. Wood and Mrs. Lund. Merrill is the son of Mrs. Dorothy Mead of Palo Alto and E. M. Mead of Oakland. He graduated from Paly High and the University of Minnesota. He also took graduate studies for a year at Stanford. During the war he served as an ensign in the navy. He has one sister, Mrs. Robert G. Herndon. The two are employed at Ames Aeronautical laboratory and will make their home in Mountain View upon their return from a three-week honeymoon trip to Southern California.

Carol V Wood

in the California, U.S., Divorce Index, 1966-1984

Divorce from Merrill H. Mead – Mar 1974 - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/3929522:1141>



Carol Virginia Wood – junior in Stern Hall, U of CA Berkeley,, 1948 - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/2285129:1265>

Mother:



Caption identifies people as Jennie & son by 1st marriage – which would be John Alvin Wood

Jennie Rebecca Rae Wood Taylor - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/50406881/person/212157314550/media/0b2ff938-61e3-4770-be4f->

Pioneer resident dies here

Rebecca Jane Taylor, 94, a member of Los Gatos Christian Church for 60 years and resident of 22849 Summit Rd. for the past 25 years, died unexpectedly Wednesday at a Los Gatos hospital after a brief illness.

She was the widow of John Taylor, a farmer in Summit Rd. area for many years, who died in April, 1961. Her birthplace was Tuscola, Ill.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 10 a. m. at West Valley Chapel, the Rev. Marvin Rickard, pastor of Los Gatos Christian Church, officiating. Burial will be in IOOF Cemetery, Santa Cruz.

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Surviving are sons, John Wood and Robert Taylor of Los Gatos; daughters, Mrs. Cecil Brooks of Los Gatos and Mrs. Ruth Dechman of Aptos; eight grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Obituary of mother Jennie Rebecca Rae Wood Taylor – “Los Gatos (CA) Times-Saratoga Observer” Thursday 4 Jun 1964 p 1

For fifty years the John Taylors have been residents of the Santa Cruz mountains. An observance of their fiftieth wedding anniversary was held Sunday afternoon at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor, on the Old Highway in Summit. The anniversary plans were somewhat restricted because of the winter storms and a party later in the year to celebrate the event is being planned. The dinner party was a family affair and Mr. and Mrs. John Wood, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Dickman and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor were present to honor the couple.

50th wedding anniversary – “Los Gatos (CA) Times-Saratoga Observer” Friday 20 Jan 1956 p

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Stepfather:



John William Taylor – Find A Grave 155577929



John William Taylor - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/188909873/person/352467081961/media/f3378ecf-c6df-4ed4-b820-bac0c31ad5da>

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA.

These Presents are to authorize and license any Justice of the Supreme Court, Judge of the Superior Court, Justice of the Peace, Judge of any Police Court, City Recorder, Priest or Minister of the Gospel of any denomination, to solemnize within said County the Marriage of John William Taylor native of England aged 31 years, resident of Hayland County of Elkridge State of California; and Jennie Ray Wood native of Illinois aged 36 years, resident of Campbell County of Santa Clara State of California. Said Parties being of sufficient age to be capable of Contracting marriage.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Superior Court of said County, this 11th day of January A. D. 1906
Henry A. Foster County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of Superior Court in and for said Santa Clara County. By Deputy Clerk.

State of California, County of Santa Clara: I hereby certify that I believe the facts stated in the above license to be true, and that upon due inquiry there appears to be no legal impediment to the marriage of said John William Taylor and Jennie Ray Wood, that said parties were joined in Marriage by me, on the 13th day of January A. D. 1906, in Campbell in said County and State, that Chas. E. Burns a resident of Campbell County of Santa Clara State of California, and Charles J. Jones a resident of Hayland County of Santa Clara State of California, were present as witnesses of said ceremony.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 13th day of January A. D. 1906

Recorded at request of A. H. Needham this 19th day of Jan A. D. 1906
 at 20 minutes past 3 o'clock P.M.

A. H. Needham Pastor Campbell M. E. Church
C. R. Williams County Recorder.
 By Deputy Recorder.

Marriage of Jennie Rebecca Ray Wood to John William Taylor -

[https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939V-4631-](https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939V-4631-D?i=802&cc=1804002&personaUrl=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3AKZ3X-L89)

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Half-siblings:

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
STATE OF OREGON
BOARD OF HEALTH—PORTLAND
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION—U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

LOCAL REGISTRAR NUMBER 149 R-4-2519 STATE FILE NO. 7688
DATE RECEIVED AUG 11 1953

1. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or Print): Dorothy Jean Whitestine

2. PLACE OF DEATH
A. COUNTY Josephine
B. CITY (If outside corporate limits, write EXACT location) Murphy, rural
C. LENGTH OF STAY (In this place) 12 yrs

3. USUAL RESIDENCE (If deceased resided in Oregon, write EXACT location)
A. STATE Oregon
B. COUNTY Josephine
C. CITY (If outside corporate limits, write EXACT location) Murphy, rural
D. STREET (If rural, give nearest ADDRESS) Route 1, Box 91

4. DATE (Month) (Day) (Year)
DEATH July 30, 1953
5. SEX Female
6. COLOR OR RACE white

7. MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED (Specify)
married
7A. NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE Harold

8. DATE OF BIRTH (Month) (Day) (Year)
Oct. 17, 1906
9. AGE (In years and months) 46
10. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country)
Laurel, California.
11. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? U.S.-A.

12. FATHER'S NAME John W. Taylor
12. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Jennie Rae

13A. USUAL OCCUPATION Housewife
13B. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY Own Home
14. IF VETERAN, NAME WAR none
15. INFORMANT'S OWN SIGNATURE Harold Whitestine

17. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. none
18. MEDICAL CERTIFICATION (Enter only one cause for line 18 (A), (B), and (C).)
A. DISEASE OR CONDITION DIRECTLY LEADING TO DEATH (A) THROMBOSIS, CORONARY
B. CAUSE OF DEATH: ANTECEDENT CAUSES DUE TO (B) HYPERTENSION, MAINTAINED 15-20 YRS
C. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS (Conditions contributing to the death, but not included in the disease or condition causing death)

19A. DATE OF OPERATION NONE
19B. MAJOR FINDINGS OF OPERATION
20. AUTOPSY: YES ☐ NO ☒

21A. ACCIDENT, SUICIDE, HOMICIDE NONE
21B. PLACE OF INJURY (If in or about home, farm, factory, street, other building, farm, etc.)
21C. CITY, TOWN, OR TOWNSHIP (COUNTY) (STATE)
21D. TIME (Hour) (Day) (Month) (Year) 21 JUNE 1953
21E. HOW DID INJURY OCCUR
21F. HOW DID INJURY OCCUR (If in or about home, farm, factory, street, other building, farm, etc.)
21G. HOW DID INJURY OCCUR (If in or about home, farm, factory, street, other building, farm, etc.)

22. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM 21 JUNE 1953 TO 30 JULY 1953 THAT I LAST SAW THE DECEASED ALIVE ON 29 JULY 1953 AND THAT DEATH OCCURRED AT 9:30 PM FROM THE CAUSE AND ON THE DATE STATED ABOVE.

23A. SIGNATURE (Doctor or other) R. J. Miller
23B. ADDRESS Mid-Murphy, Oregon
23C. DATE SIGNED 31 JULY 53

24A. DATE Aug 3, 1953
24B. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Sharlun Cemetery
24C. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State) Williams, Oregon.

25. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL 8-3-53
26. SIGNATURE OF LOCAL Carroll M. Dwyer, M.D.
27. SIGNATURE OF FEDERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE Carroll M. Dwyer
28. ADDRESS Grants Pass, Ore.

MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING
N. B.—WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD. EVERY ITEM OF INFORMATION SHOULD BE CAREFULLY SUPPLIED. AGE SHOULD BE STATED EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS SHOULD STATE CAUSE OF DEATH IN PLAIN TERMS, SO THAT IT MAY BE PROPERLY CLASSIFIED. EXACT STATEMENT OF OCCUPATION IS VERY IMPORTANT.

OR death record of **half-sister Dorothy Jean Taylor Wyatt Whitestine (1906-1953)** -
https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/61675/images/48908_302022005610_0232-01436?pld=60603872



Dorothy Jean Taylor with mother, Jennie Rebecca Ray -

<https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/53945898/person/26005252570/media/3959e4b6-e6d0-4cd6-9845-4e500a72aae3>

Robert R. Taylor

Services will be Thursday for Robert R. Taylor, who died Saturday at his Los Gatos home after a long illness. He was 84.

A native of Los Gatos, he was a lifelong resident of the Santa Cruz Mountains.

Mr. Taylor was the son of John and Jennie Taylor, who settled in the area in 1906. He attended Highland and Hester Creek schools.

Mr. Taylor bought the Arthur Averill Ranch in 1943, turning it from a prune ranch to a successful apple orchard. He continued to farm until 1984, when ill health forced him to retire. His wife, Barbara, has continued the operation.

He was an avid fisherman and hunter, and also was a longtime member of the Highland Chapter of the Santa Cruz County Farm Bureau and the Los Gatos Seventh-day Adventist Church.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Barbara Jacobson Taylor of Los Gatos; two sisters, Cecil Brooks and Ruth Dechman, both of Corralitos; two nephews and five nieces.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Norman's Family Chapel, 3620 Soquel Drive, Soquel.

Friends may call at the chapel from noon until 5 p.m. Wednesday.

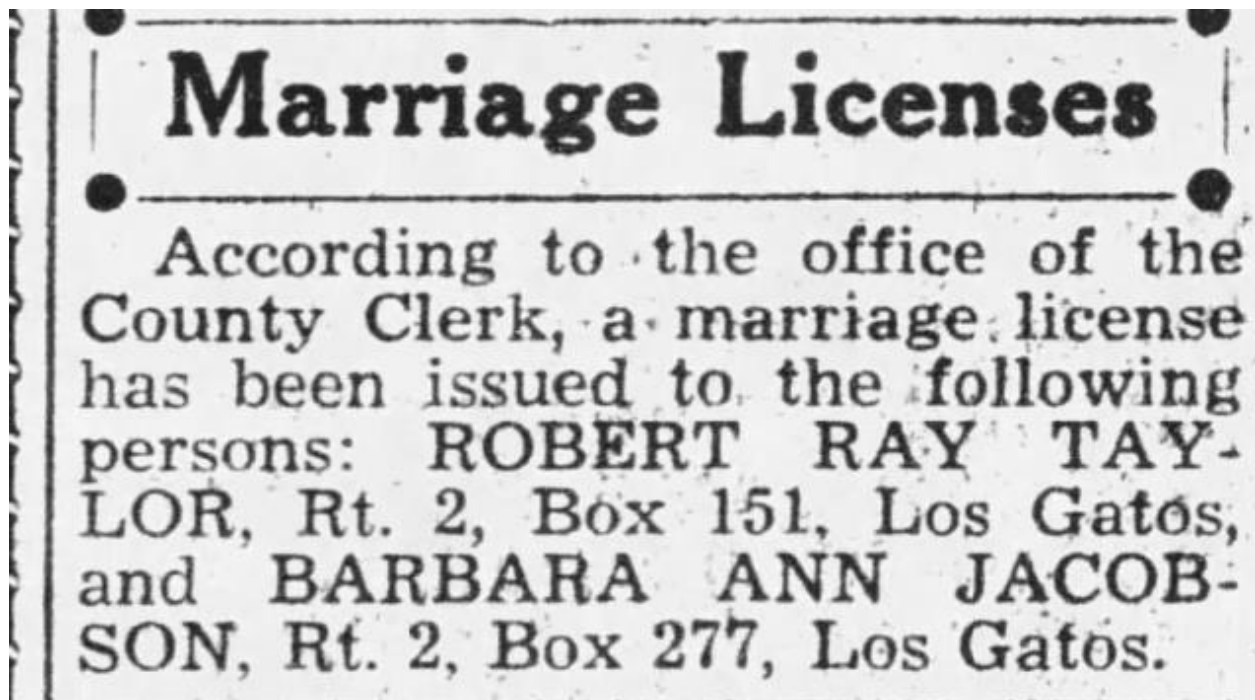
Interment will be in Soquel Cemetery.

Contributions to the American Parkinson's Disease Association, 1900 Sullivan Ave., Daly City, Calif. 94017, are preferred.

Obituary of **half-brother Robert Rae Taylor (1907-1992)** – "Santa Cruz (CA) Sentinel"
Monday 13 Apr 1992 p 10



Robert Rae Taylor - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/50406881/person/212150033414/media/93340b13-9a2d-4aa6-9720-4478a5a67128>



"Los Gatos (CA) Times-Saratoga Observer" Monday 31 Oct 1949 p 3

MISS CECIL TAYLOR BRIDE OF C. BROOKS AT CHURCH HOUSE

Wedding services for Miss Cecil Taylor of this city and Chauncey Brooks, Jr., of Watsonville were read yesterday at the parsonage of the First Christian church by the Rev. V. K. Allison.

Immediate relatives were witnesses at the ceremony and later attended a wedding breakfast at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Alan Brown at the Brown ranch, Capitola. Mrs. Brown is a sister of the bride groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks left later in the day for Yosemite for a wedding trip after which they will make their home in Watsonville where he is employed by the Signal Oil Co.

Marriage of half-sister Cecil Marie Taylor (1909-1997) to Chauncy Perry Brooks Jr. – “Santa Cruz (CA) Evening News” Thursday 13 Sep 1934 p 7

Chauncy Brooks Jr.

No services will be held for Chauncy Perry Brooks Jr., who died Sunday. He was 92.

Mr. Brooks lived in Santa Cruz County all of his life and grew up at Seventh Avenue and Soquel near the old cork oak. He served as a medic in the U.S. Army and had a tour of duty in Italy during the World War II. He was a handyman and lived in the Summit area most of his adult life. He enjoyed fishing.

He is survived by sister Marion Brown of Santa Cruz; nephews Joel Brown of Santa Cruz and George Brooks of San Diego and two nieces.

His wife Cecile and two brothers died before him.

Arrangements are by Norman's Family Chapel.

Obituary of Chauncy Perry Brooks Jr. – "Santa Cruz (CA) Sentinel" Thursday 2 Nov 2000 p

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John Grant Dechman, 32, Santa Cruz, poultryman, native of Massachusetts; Ruth Janet Taylor, 25, Santa Cruz egg candler, native of California.

Marriage license of half-sister Ruth Janet Taylor (1911-2006) & John Grant Dechman – "Santa Cruz (CA) Evening News" Tuesday 12 May 1936 p 5

Ruth J. Dechman

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

Name	Ruth J. Dechman
Social Security Number	554-07-5906
Birth Date	21 Mar 1911
Issue year	Before 1951
Issue State	California
Last Residence	95076, Watsonville, Santa Cruz, California, USA
Death Date	17 Dec 2006

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/78891216:3693>

**NOTICE OF DEATH OF
JOHN GRANT DECHMAN
AND OF PETITION
TO ADMINISTER ESTATE
Case Number: 34141**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate of JOHN GRANT DECHMAN, also known as JOHN G. DECHMAN, also known as JOHN DECHMAN, also known as GRANT DECHMAN

A petition has been filed by COUNTY BANK AND TRUST in the Superior Court of Santa Cruz County requesting that COUNTY BANK AND TRUST be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.

A hearing on the petition will be held on 12/3/85 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 4 located at 701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should either appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court or present it to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in section 700 of the California Probate Code. The time for filing claims will not expire prior to four months from the date of the hearing noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may serve upon the executor or administrator, or upon the attorney for the executor or administrator, and file with the court with proof of service, a written request stating that you desire special notice of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of the petitions or accounts mentioned in sections 1200 and 1200.5 of the California Probate Code.

Attorney for petitioner:
ROBERT H. DARROW
149 Josephine St., Suite A
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

ROBERT H. DARROW
Attorney for Petitioner

This notice was mailed on 11/7/85 at Santa Cruz, California.
Nov. 13, 15, 19 (2389)

"Santa Cruz (CA) Sentinel" Friday 15 Nov 1985 p 51

Deckman-Taylor Vows On Sunday

The marriage of Miss Ruth Taylor and Mr. Grant Deckman of Live Oak will be solemnized on Sunday, May 17, at 3 o'clock at the Christian church in Santa Cruz. Both the bride and the bridegroom are active in the Live Oak Grange, holding important offices.

Marriage of half-sister Ruth Taylor to John Grant Dechman – “Santa Cruz (CA) Sentinel”
Friday 15 May 1936 p 7

Miss Ruth Taylor Selects Date for Wedding to S. C. Man

Miss Ruth Taylor has selected May 17 as the date of her marriage to Grant Deckman of this city. The ceremony will occur in the First Christian church with the Rev. V. K. Allison officiating.

Miss Taylor is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Taylor, the sister of Mrs. Dorothy Wyatt and Robert Taylor of Laurel, and John Wood of Hester creek district.

Following their wedding the young people will make their home in Live Oak.



“Santa Cruz (CA) Evening News” Thursday 30 Apr 1936 p 8

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: John Alvin Wood

Name variations:

Military:

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

Serial number: 250,686

Entered service from: Wrights, Santa Cruz CA

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: John A. Woods

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": mother Mrs. J.W. Taylor, Wrights CA

Returned from war on: "Santa Paula" May 1919

Sailed on return ship as: John A. Wood

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Jennie Taylor, Wrights CA (cpl, 17th Co., 20th Engrs, Forestry)

World War I draft registration (1917): as John Alvin Wood - b. 10 Aug 1894 Rocklin CA; res: Wrights, Santa Cruz CA,. Temporary field assistant, US Department of Agriculture Bureau of Biological Survey, CA National Forest near Pasadena CA. Military experience: private, 2 years at U of CA. Registered in Highland CA. Short in height, medium build. Registered 29 May 1917, in advance of the 5 Jun 1917 national registration day.

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): Wright CA

World War II draft registration (1942): as John Alvin Wood - b. 10 Aug 1894 Rocklyn [looks like "Roelslyn" CA; res: Rte 2, Box 253, Los Gatos, Santa Clara CA. NOK Mrs. Florence M. Wood, same address. Self-employed – rancher at Rte. 2, Box 253, Los Gatos CA. Height: 5'7" – 135 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted: 7 Dec 1917

Discharged: 13 Jun 1919

Address: Wrights CA

Rank/unit: corporal, 17th Co., 20th EngineersBirth & death:

Born: 10 Aug 1894 Rocklin, Placer CA

Died: 13 Jul 1978 Stanford, Santa Clara CA (while visiting daughter Mrs. Marjorie Lund at her Stanford CA home)

Find A Grave record: 163969261 – presence on Tuscania indicated in text

Burial location: Soquel, Santa Cruz CA

Cemetery: Soquel

Tombstone:

Father: John Wood, b. IL. His name is found on John Alvin Wood's marriage license, with birthplace in Illinois. John Alvin reports both his parents were born in Illinois in the 1910 & 1920 censuses.

Find A Grave:

Mother: Jennie Rebecca [Rebecca Jane] Ray/Rae Wood Taylor, 5 Aug 1869 Tuscola, Douglas Co. IL – 3 Jun 1964 Los Gatos, Santa Clara Co. CA.

Daughter of Joseph Robert Ray & Mary Caldwell. In the 1870 census she lived in Garrett, Douglas IL with her parents. Rebecca J. Ray was 9 months old, on 11 Jul 1870 when the census was conducted. Her parents were J.R. Ray (26 OH) & Mary Ray (23 IN). She was their only child.

In 1880, she was age 10, employed as a servant in the household of Elijah & Emily Pound in Tuscola, Douglas IL.

Married to John William Taylor (1873-1961) in 1919.

Buried in Soquel Cemetery, Soquel, Santa Cruz CA.

Find A Grave: 155577911

Parents' marriage: 13 Jan 1906 Santa Clara Co. CA - Jennie Ray Wood, b. ca. 1870, age 36, b. IL, resident Campbell CA, Santa Clara Co. CA married 13 Jan 1906 Santa Clara Co. CA to John William Taylor, age 31, b. England, resident of Skyland, Santa Cruz Co. CA.

Stepfather: John William Taylor, 9 Dec 1873 Manchester, Metropolitan Borough of Manchester, Greater Manchester, England – 13 Apr 1961 Santa Clara Co. CA. Along with his stepson John Alvin Wood, John William Taylor also registered for the WWI draft, but on 12 Sep 1918. He gave a birthdate of 9 Dec 1874. He was a naturalized citizen, resident of Wrights, Santa Clara CA, a farmer at Wrights. He was slender, of medium height & listed Jennie Ray Taylor as his next-of-kin. Buried in Soquel Cemetery, Soquel, Santa Cruz CA.

Stepfather's Find A Grave: 155577929

Stepfather's marriage: 15 Jul 1919 San Francisco, San Francisco CA

Spouse: Florence Mable Brown Wood, 30 Nov 1894 Harlan, Shelby IA – 22 Oct 1979 Menlo Park, San Mateo CA. Daughter of William Brown & Alice Irwin. Buried in Soquel Cemetery, Soquel, Santa Cruz CA.

Spouse Find A Grave: 163969269

Marriage: 15 Jul 1919 San Francisco, San Francisco CA. One of the witnesses was Ira Franklin Brown, John's fellow Tuscania passenger/survivor. Since John married a Brown, perhaps a relative of Ira's?

Children:

- John William ("Jack") Wood, 5 Jul 1921 Campbell, Santa Clara CA – 15 May 1944 Fort Maxey, Lamar Co. TX. Died in the Station Hospital at Fort Maxey while a private 1st class in the US Army two days after a 8mm mortar shell exploded & injured him. On his WWII draft card, res: Rte 2, Box 253, Los Gatos CA, b. 5 Jul 1921 Campbell

CA, student at Salinas Junior College, had red hair. In 1943, John was a civil engineering student at Texas A&M. Perhaps he was named John William for John Alvin's stepfather, John William Taylor. Buried in Golden Gate National Cemetery, San Bruno, San Mateo CA. F: 74118295

- Ray Irwin Wood, 28 Jan 1923 Campbell, Santa Clara CA – 12 Jun 2003 CA . His middle name is the maiden name of his maternal grandmother. Resident of Calistoga CA in Jul 1978 & Oct 1979. Served in the US Army in WWII. Buried in Golden Gate National Cemetery, San Bruno, San Mateo CA. F: 72485204
- Richard Alvin Wood, 29 Jan 1925 Oakland, Alameda CA – 3 Jun 2009 Potter Valley, Mendocino CA. Resident of Potter Valley CA in Jul 1978 & Oct 1979. – Served in the US Army in WWII. Married Pearl Marie Larsen (b. 20 Mar 1925) on 17 Oct 1947 in Soquel, Santa Cruz CA. She was listed as his surviving wife in his obituary. Pearl was the daughter of Victor M. Larsen (F: 29069944) & Glennette Alice Dingwall (F: 29069955). – Richard is buried in Soquel Cemetery, Soquel, Santa Cruz CA. F: 153915940
- Marjorie Ellen Wood Lund, 16 Jul 1926 Alameda Co. CA – 29 Jun 2009 Palo Alto, Santa Clara CA. Resident of Stanford CA in Jul 1978 & Oct 1979. Marjorie married Harry W. Lund (1923-1999, F: 934414) on 26 Apr 1947 in Redeemer Lutheran Church, Redwood City, San Mateo CA. – Marjorie & Harry are buried in Golden Gate National Cemetery, San Bruno, San Mateo CA. F: 72486689
- Carol Virginia Wood Mead, 20 Dec 1927 Alameda Co. CA - . Resident of Los Altos CA in Jul 1978 & Oct 1979. Married to Merrill Hutton ("Bill") Mead (1926-2001, F: 151292688) on 7 May 1950 in Stanford Memorial Chapel, Palo Alto, Santa Clara CA. They divorced in Mar 1974.

Half-siblings:

- Dorothy Jean Taylor Wyatt Whitestone, 17 Oct 1906 Laurel, Kern CA – 30 Jul 1953 rural Murphy, Josephine Co. OR. The 1st wife of Alfred W. Wyatt (1904-1984, F: 104795449) who married 4 times, the 2nd & 4th times to the same woman. – Married Harold S. Whitestone (1909-1973, F: 51316076). – Buried in Sparlin Cemetery, Williams, Josephine OR. F: 51316075
- Robert Rae Taylor, 31 Dec 1907 Santa Cruz Co. CA - 11 Apr 1992 Los Gatos, Santa Clara CA. SSN 566-50-5497. On his WWII draft registration, he listed "Raymond" as his middle name. Married on 2 Nov 1949 in Placer Co. CA to Barbara Ann Jacobson (20 May 1927 Santa Clara Co. CA – 16 Jan 2003 St. Helena CA, F: 251604988). Barbara was the daughter of Andrew Godfrey Jacobson (1899-1963, F: 86839367) & Cherrie Blossom Bailey (1888-1988, F: 86839396). Barbara apparently married Philip George Mason (1925-2015) on 26 Sep 2004 in Los Gatos, Santa Clara CA but shares her tombstone with Robert Taylor. – Robert is buried in Soquel Cemetery, Soquel, Santa Cruz CA. F: 155643155
- Cecil Marie Taylor Brooks, 5 Jul 1909 Soquel, Santa Cruz CA – 2 Dec 1997 Corralitos, Santa Cruz CA. Married on 12 Sep 1934 to Chauncy Perry Brooks Jr.

(1908-2000, F: 157157291). Buried in Soquel Cemetery, Soquel, Santa Cruz CA. F: 157157244

- Ruth Janet Taylor Dechman, 21 Mar 1911 Soquel, Santa Cruz CA – 17 Dec 2006 Watsonville, Santa Cruz CA. Wife of John Grant Dechman (1903-1985) whom she married 17 May 1936 in First Christian Church, Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz CA.

Notes:

Pre-war:

Wartime:

Post-war:

Obituary:

Social Security number: 556-20-5988

Censuses:

1910 Soquel, Santa Cruz CA – conducted 21 Apr 1910

John W. Taylor, 36 England, parents b. England, in 1st marriage, married 4 years, emigrated 1905, alien, farmer, fruit farm

Jennie R., 40 IL, in 2nd marriage, parents b. OH, gave birth to 4 children, 4 are living [wife]

Dorothy J., 3 CA [daughter]

Robert R., 2 CA [son]

Cecil M., 10 months CA [daughter]

John A. Wood, 16 CA, parents b. IL [stepson]

1920 Highland, Santa Cruz CA – mother, stepfather, half-siblings

John W. Taylor, 46 England, parents b. England, emigrated 1905, naturalized 1917, farmer, farm

Jennie R., 50 IL, parents b. IL

Dorothy J., 13 CA,

Robert R., 12 CA

Cecil M., 10 CA

Ruth J. 8 CA

1920 Highland, Santa Cruz CA – wife not listed with him but they married in 1919 – line 63

John A. Wood, 29 CA, parents b. IL, farmer, farm

1930 Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz CA – 50 Market St.

Jennie R. Taylor, IL, married, father b. OH, mother b. IN [head of household]

Cecil Marie Taylor, 20 CA

Ruth Janet Taylor. 19 CA
None are employed

1930 Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz CA

John A. Wood, 35 CA, parents b. IL, age 25 at 1st marriage, farmer, general farm, WWI veteran

Florence M., 35 IA, parents b. IA, age 25 at 1st marriage

John W., 8 CA

Roy I., 7 CA

Richard A., 5 CA

Marjorie E., 3 CA

Carol V., 2 CA

1940 Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz CA – same house in 1935

John A. Wood, 46 CA, farmer, farm

Florence A., 46 IA

Jack, 18 CA

Ray, 17 CA

Richard, 15 CA

Marjorie, 13 CA

Carol, 12 CA

1950 Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz CA

John Wood, 55 CA, farmer, farm

Florence, 55 IA, substitute teacher, rural 8th grade school