

## Ward, Edward Clifford 1893 GA – 1975 GA

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CASUALTY LIST STILL AWAITED IN WASHINGTON

Chas. D. Arendell, Jacksonville; Edward C. Ward, Newport; C. S. Winn, Jr., Atlanta; and E. J. Peacock, Vienna, Saved. Among Missing, But Half of Whom Are Known to Have Been Saved, Is Compiled.

No Georgians Among Those Not Heard From and No One From This State Lost Apparently in Disaster.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Following were among the Tuscania survivors:
Alexander R. Cutts, Prattville, Ala.
William G. Buhmann, Greensboro, N. C.
Joseph M. Findley, Breston, Ala.
Albert S. Hucks, Branchville, S. C.
Charles D. Arendell, Jacksonville, Fla.
Milton Pittman, Wilmington, N. C.
Macy E. Evans, Stem, N. C.
Edward C. Ward, Newport, Ga.
Courtland S. Winn, Jr., Atlanta, Ga.
Frank Mizell, Fernandina, Fla.
Edward J. Peacock, Vienna, Ga.

"Macon (GA) Telegraph" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1

# Arrendale and Ward Among the Survivors

All Georgians on the torpedoed transport Tuscania have been saved, according to reports from Washington. The latest cables brought the names of Charles R. Arrendale, Jacksonville, Ga., and Edward C. Ward, Newport, Ga., among the survivors. Eight other Georgians previously had been reported saved. They are: Courtland S. Winn, Jr., Atlanta; Lieutenant Joseph R. Bost, Atlanta; Charles H. Greer, Union Point; Boyd E. Hancock, Thomasville; Hardy G. Robinson, Lawrenceville; Robert Lee Malone, Valdosta; Allen W. Harris, Winder; Edward J. Peacock, Vienna.

"Atlanta (GA) Semi-Weekly Journal" Tuesday 12 Feb 1918 p 1

#### Verlia Bradley Blackwell





Verlia Bradley Blackwell (1896-1980) – Find A Grave 18482249)

Children by Flora Kimzey:



Daughter Mary Evelyn Ward Jackson (1923-2014) & husband John Woodward Jackson – Find A Grave 140709885

Bettye W. Cook PROSPERITY — Bettye Ward Cook, 67, of Route 3, Candy Kitchen Road, died Aug. 9, 1993, at her home. She was a businesswoman in Florida for many years and a member of the American Women's Business Association. She was a hobbyist and professional in ceramics, having won many awards in South Carolina and Georgia and was active in Newberry City Ce-ramics Department. She was a U.S. Army Nurse during World War II. Surviving is a daughter, Rebekah Alexander of Columbia. No formal funeral service will be held. Visitation: 7 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the residence. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society, c/o Myra F. Addy, 2230 Glenn St., New-berry, S.C. 29108. - Whitaker Funeral Home, Newberry. Greenville News > 10 Aug 1993

Obituary of daughter Edna Elizabeth ("Bettye") Ward Arnold Cook (1925-1993) – Find A Grave 63430643

Name	Roy E Ward
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	64
Birth Date	abt 1928
Residence Place	Fannin, Georgia, USA
Death Date	9 Mar 1992
Death Place	Fannin, Georgia, USA
File Date	17 Mar 1992

Roy E Ward in the Georgia, U.S., Death Index, 1919-1998

GA death record of son Roy Estel Ward (1927-1992) https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryuicontent/view/2798973:5426?tid=&pid=&queryId=03eee1e37ea0c4e9405bbbbd6234f0cb&
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Son Kenneth Roger Ward (b. 1943) - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryuicontent/view/2934365:1169?tid=&pid=&queryId=d1f0b261d1be56fddf1e962e64d46fa1&\_ phsrc=hFB65954&\_phstart=successSource



Kenneth Roger Ward – West Fannin High School yearbook 1958, Blue Ridge, Fannin GA https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryuicontent/view/227930467:1265?tid=&pid=&queryId=d1f0b261d1be56fddf1e962e64d46fa1
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#### Daughter: by Verlia Bradley





Daughter Lois Jean Blackwell Ledford Hooker (1922-1977) – at right with 1<sup>st</sup> husband Everett Lee Ledford & their daughter Yvonne – Find A Grave 232081275

Stokes-Hooker
BLUE RIDGE, Ga. (Special)
—Mrs. Albert B. Blackwell
has announced the marriage
of her daughter, Lois Jean
Stokes of Silver Springs to
James R. Hooker of Anthony.
The ceremony was performed Oct. 6 at Folkston, Ga.
The couple will reside in Anthony.

Lois's 3<sup>rd</sup> marriage – to James Rufus Hooker – "Tampa (FL) Tribune" Tuesday 16 Oct 1962 - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-

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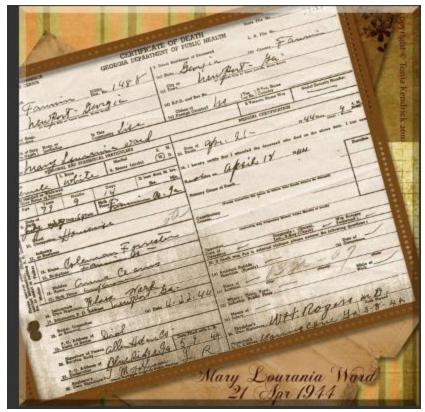
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GA death record of father William Harvey Ward – Find A Grave 245495395 and <a href="https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2562/images/004554226\_00027?pld">https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2562/images/004554226\_00027?pld</a> =754736

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GA death record of mother Mary Lourania Forrester Ward – Find A Grave 245496000 and https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-

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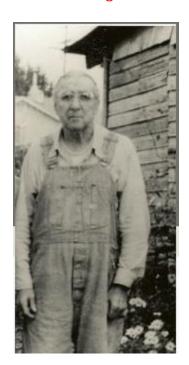
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#### Siblings:



### Brother Newton Coleman Ward (1890-1974) – Find A Grave 41527085

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WWI GA service record of brother William Dallas Ward (1897-1976) --

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WWII draft card of brother Virgil Taft Ward (1906-1991) – registered 16 Oct 1940 - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-

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Abbreviations:

b = born

<mark>d = died</mark>

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

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Edward Clifford Ward

Name variations: found as Clifford Ward

Military:

On Tuscania: 20th Eng. 18th/Co. F - private

Serial number: 250,899

Entered service from: Newport, Fannin GA Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Edward C. Ward

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father W.H. Ward, Newport GA

Returned from war on: "Santa Paula" May 1919 Sailed on return ship as: Edward C. Ward

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father William H. Ward, Newport GA (wagoner, 18th Co.,

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World War I draft registration (1917): as Edward Clifford Ward - b. 15 Apr 1893 Newport GA; res: Newport, Fannin GA. Single. States for question #7 (occupation) that he is a farmer. For question #8, lists employer was W.H. Ward, Fannin GA. On the next page, there is a handwritten note that his answers are true, except for questions #7 & #8 "which is not correct." He claimed exemption from the draft: "Yes, in order to farm." Tall in height, medium build.

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

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): Newport GA

World War II draft registration (1942):

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted: 11 Dec 1917 Discharged: 11 Jun 1919 Address: Newport GA

Rank/unit: wagoner, 18<sup>th</sup> Co., 20<sup>th</sup> Engineers

Birth & death:

Born: 15 Apr 1893 Newport, Fannin GA Died: 31 Dec 1975 Blue Ridge, Fannin GA

Find A Grave record: 18944947 – presence on Tuscania indicated in text

Burial location: Blue Ridge, Fannin GA Cemetery: J.P. Chastain Memorial Park

Tombstone:

Father: William Harvey Ward, 1 Sep 1864 Elijay, Fannin Co. GA - 15 Apr 1933 Newport, Fannin GA. Son of Henry D. Ward & Marian Elizabeth ("Mary") Tucker. Buried in Dial Church of Christ Cemetery, Dial, Fannin GA.

Find A Grave: 245495395

Mother: Mary Lourania Forrester Ward, 7 Jul 1864 Fannin Co. GA - 21 Apr 1944 Newport, Fannin GA. Daughter of Coleman Forrester & Anna Carnes. Buried in Dial Church of Christ

Cemetery, Dial, Fannin GA. Find A Grave: 245496000

Parents' marriage: 9 Sep 1889 Fannin Co. GA

#### Relationship with:

Verlia ("Verlie") Bradley Blackwell, 24 Nov 1896 Gilmer Co. GA – 13 Jan 1980 Fannin Co. GA.

Daughter of Julius Pinkney Bradley & Hattiet Mattie ("Lettie") Weaver.

The biological daughter of Edward Clifford Ward & Verlia Bradley – Lois Jean [presumably born with the surname Bradley] – was born 23 Aug 1922 in Blue Ridge, Fannin GA, one month before Edward married Flora Kimzey on 24 Sep 1922.

Verlia married Albert Merrimon Blackwell, 17 Feb 1876 NC – 12 Jul 1948 GA, buried in Harmony Baptist Cemetery, Blue Ridge, Fannin GA, F: 244043779). Albert was the son of John J. & Mary Blackwell. He had married Mae D. Murray (1878-1974, F: 111077709) in 1896. On 14 Jan 1902, Albert deserted his wife Mae, their 2 daughters Nola & Oila (ages 4 & 6 months). Their son Dewey, almost 3 years old, had died 2 months prior. By the time of the 1910 census, Nola & Oila were not living with Mae, who had two new daughters, Verma (1904) & Anulee (1906), with the Blackwell surname, but born after Albert had left her. In 1920 Verlie Bradley, 21 GA, single, has a 3-month-old daughter, Agnes Bradley, parents b. GA. They reside with her widowed sister Mittie Smith & Mittie's 3 young sons in Fannin Co. GA. Family trees give Agnes a birthdate of Oct 1919 in Blue Ridge, Fannin GA & presume she died before Verlie married.

Circa 1925, Albert married Verlia Bradley in Blount Co. GA & adopted Lois Jean. Albert & Verlia had a daughter, Marilyn Sue Blackwell, born in 1934.

During most of Verlia's marriage to Albert Merrimon, he lived in Blue Ridge, Fannin GA, where those who knew him were not aware of his first marriage, children or abandonment of his family.

Verlia Blackwell is buried in the same cemetery as Edward Ward – J.P. Chastain Memorial Park, Blue Ridge, Fannin GA.

Find A Grave: 18482249

Spouse: Flora Rebecca Kimzey Ward, 8 Mar 1902 GA – 23 Sep 1969 Blue Ridge, Fannin GA. Daughter of Abraham Lincoln Kimzey & Sarah Elizabeth Sherlin. Buried in J.P. Chastain Memorial Park, Blue Ridge, Fannin GA.

Spouse Find A Grave: 18944968

Marriage: 24 Sep 1922 Fannin Co. GA (one month after the birth of his biological daughter Lois Jean on 23 Aug 1922 to Verlia Bradley)

#### Children: by wife Flora Kimzey

- Mary Evelyn Ward Jackson, 10 Sep 1923 Diamond, Gilmer GA 24 Dec 2014 CA.
   Wife of John Woodward Jackson (1923-2013, F: 21325560). Buried in Chapel of the Chimes Memorial Park, Hayward, Alameda CA. F: 140709885
- Edna Elizabeth ("Bettye") Ward Arnold Cook, 30 Sep 1925 Dial, Fannin GA 9 Aug 1993 Prosperity, Newberry SC. – Married in 1946 to Claude Cecil Arnold (1922 FL – 2001 GA, F: 49002074). – Married to Joel Brown Cook (1930-1993, F: 63431384). Buried in Prosperity Cemetery, Prosperity, Newberry SC. F: 63430643
- Roy Estel ("Sonny") Ward, 15 Oct 1927 Dial, Fannin GA 9 Mar 1992 Fannin Co. GA. Husband of Ellaine Audrey Weaver (1923-2013, F: 111125033). Buried in J.P. Chastain Memorial Park, Blue Ridge, Fannin GA. F: 18559027
- Ruth ("Sister") Elsie Ward Brackett, ca. 1930 GA. Listed as Elsie in the 1930 census. Alive when her sister Mary died Dec 2014.
- Nena/Neva Ward Campbell, ca. 1934 Fannin Co. GA . Alive when her sister Mary died in Dec 2014.
- June Ward Everett. Alive when her sister Mary died in Dec 2014.
- Kenneth Roger ("Bud") Ward, 31 Jul 1943 GA . Alive when his sister Mary died in Dec 2014. Married 23 Aug 1970 in Polk Co. TN to Judy Marie Jabaley (b. 5 Jan 1943 TN), the daughter of Richard Jabaley & Minnie Boackle.

#### Daughter: by Verlia Bradley

Lois Jean (presumably born Bradley) Blackwell (from her mother's marriage to Albert Blackwell) Ledford Stokes Hooker, 23 Aug 1922 Blue Ridge, Fannin GA – 1 Jul 1977 Everett, Snohomish WA. Born one month before her biological father Edward Clifford Ward married Flora Kimzey. – Married in 1941 to Everett Lee Ledford (1918 GA – 2006 GA, F: 103640141). Everett & Lois had a daughter Yvonne Carol in 1942. – Married in 1949 to Joe C. Stokes. Their son was Philip Lynn Stokes (1947-2007). – Married in 1962 to James Rufus Hooker (1922 FL – 1988 FL, F: 208803684). – Lois Hooker's burial details are unknown. F: 232081275

Siblings: In the 1910 census, his mother says she has given birth to 8 children, 6 of whom are living

- Newton Coleman Ward, 24 Oct 1890 Newport, Fannin GA 1 Aug 1974 Whitfield Co. GA. Listed as born Oct 1891 in 1900 census. Husband of Rachel Louise Johnson (1892-1980, F: 41527914) whom he married 27 Jun 1900 in Fannin Co. GA. Buried in Stockhill Family Cemetery, Blue Ridge, Fannin GA. F: 41527985
- William Dallas Ward, 21 Jul 1897 Newport, Fannin GA 2 Jun 1976 Davy, McDowell WV. Husband of Goldie Bell (1898-1964, F: 69643729). Buried in Chestnut Hill United Methodist Church Cemetery, Crumpler, Ashe NC. F: 69643715

- Waltor H. Ward, May 1899 (1900 census) The 1900 census was conducted in early June. "Waltor" is listed but not Carl Harvey, born May 1900. Is this Carl, then 1 month old?
- Carl Harvey Ward, 18 May 1900 Fannin Co. GA 28 Jun 1970 Gilmer Co. GA. Found as Coles H. Ward & Colin Ward. Husband of Pearl Brinkley (1896-1976, F: 65042050) who was also married to William Waldroup (1872-1957). Their daughter Willie E. Brinkley (later Mrs. Harold Wagner Huffman) lived 1917-1967. Carl is buried in Harmony Baptist Cemetery, Blue Ridge, Fannin GA. F: 65042385
- Charlie C. Ward, 17 Feb 1903 Fannin Co. GA 12 Nov 1963 Fulton Co. GA. In the 1930, 1940 & 1950 censuses, Charlie lives with wife Ella in Fannin Co. GA. She is Ella Dixon, b. ca. 1904 GA, the daughter of John Dixon & Margaret Davis. Buried in Dial Church of Christ Cemetery, Dial, Fannin GA. F: 36175938
- Virgil Taft Ward, 7 May 1906 Newport, Fannin GA 22 May 1991 Fannin Co. GA. Served as a private 1<sup>st</sup> class in the US Army in WWII. Buried in J.P. Chastain Memorial Park, Blue Ridge, Fannin GA. F: 18945064

#### Notes:

Family tree at: https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/185580552/person/282431211647/facts?\_phsrc=hFB65915&\_phstart=successSource

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1900 Stock Hill, Fannin Co. GA – this page of census not dated, but page before conducted 4 Jun 1900 & page after conducted 6 Jun 1900

William A. Ward, 35 GA, Sep 1864, parents b. GA, married 11 years, farmer Mary L., 35 GA, Jul 1864, parents b. GA, gave birth to 4 children, 4 are living Newton C., 8 GA, Oct 1891
Edward C., 7 GA, Apr 1893
William D., 2 GA, Jul 1897
Waltor [sic] H., 1 GA, May 1899

1910 Stock Hill, Fannin Co. GA

William H. Ward, 45 GA, parents b. GA, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, married 21 years, farmer, general farm

Mary L., 45 GA, parents b. GA, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, farm laborer, home farm, gave birth to 8 children, 6 are living

Edward C., 17 GA, farm laborer, home farm

William D., 13 GA, farm laborer, home farm

Colin H., 10 GA

Charlie C., 7 GA

Virgil Taft, 3 GA

& Mary's mother Anna Forrester, 92 GA, parents b. GA, widow

1920 Stock Hill, Fannin GA

William H. Ward, 54 GA, parents b. GA, farmer, farm

Mary, 54 GA, parents b. GA

Clifford, 26 GA, single

Carl, 20 GA, single

Charly, 16 GA

Virgil, 13 GA

1930 Morganton, Fannin GA – Old Dial Road – conducted 16 Apr 1930

Clifford Ward, 35 GA, parents b. GA, age 27 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, farmer, general farm, WWI veteran

Flora, 29 GA, parents b. GA, age 21 at 1st marriage

Evlyn, 6 GA

Edna, 4 GA

Estel, 2 GA [i.e. Roy Estel]

Elsie, 2 (or 3?) months GA

1940 Stock Hill, Fannin GA – in 1935 in rural Fannin Co. GA

E. Clifford (indexed as Cliffrod) Ward, 47 GA, carver (so indexed but appears to be begin with letters CL), CCC

Flora, 39 GA, laborer, farm

Evelyn, 16 GA

Edna, 14 GA, laborer, farm

Roy, 12 GA

Ruth, 10 GA

Neva, 6 GA

1950 cannot locate