

# TUSCANIA

## Watters, Lawrence Brink 1895 MT – 1961 MT

**V. F. W. Groups  
To Meet Sunday**

**Will Hear Address  
By L. B. Watters**

An estimated 100 delegates to the eastern district convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and auxiliary will register Sunday at 11 a. m. in the Commercial club lobby. Department Commander Lawrence B. Watters of Victor will address



**LAWRENCE B. WATTERS**

the groups at a joint banquet Sunday at 7:30 p. m.

The organizations will meet in separate business sessions in the Commercial club at 1:30 a. m. Sunday. The auxiliary meeting will be presided over by Mrs. Lillian Jellison of Harlowton, district president. Other officers in attendance will be Mrs. Gertrude Burdett of Laurel, district historian; Mrs. Harriet Bliss of Laurel, past department chairman on Americanism and Mrs. Emma C. Meide, local president.

Following the business meetings the delegates will gather in the basement of the Commercial club for a banquet, which will feature a speech by Mr. Watters. Charles J. Chapple, president of the city council, will give the address of welcome and Bishop Herbert H. H. Fox will give the invocation. George S. Smith, county attorney, will talk briefly.

Following the banquet a dance will be given on the top floor of the Commercial club. Delegates and guests from Glendive, Harlowton, Laurel, Lewistown, Miles City and Billings are expected.

“Billings (MT) Gazette” Saturday 26 Oct 1940 p 3

Watters, Lawrence B.		250,428	White	1 1/4
(Surname)	(Christian name)	(Army serial number)	(Race: White o. colored)	
Residence: Victor,		MONTANA		
	(Street and house number)	(Town or city)	(County)	(State)
* Enlisted in	RA: Ft Geo Wright	Wash	Dec 12/17	
† Born in	Victor Mont		23 7/12 yrs	
Organizations:	20 Engrs to disch			
Grades:	Pvt			
Engagements:				
Wounds or other injuries received in action: None.				
‡ Served overseas:	None			
§ Hon. disch.	June 10/19	on demobilization		
Was reported	0	per cent disabled on date of discharge, in view of occupation.		
Remarks:				

Form No. 724-1 1/2, A. G. O. \*Insert "R. A.", "N. G.", "E. R. C.", "N. A.", as case may be, followed by place and date of enlistment. ‡ Give place of birth and date of birth, or age at enlistment. § Give date.

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MT WWI military record fails to show overseas service -

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/42012:62068>

WW I		WW II		KOREA		ORIGINAL	
1. NAME OF DECEASED - LAST - FIRST - MIDDLE (Print or Type)				14. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (City and State)			
WATTERS, Lawrence B				Victor, Victor Montana			
2. SERVICE NUMBER		3. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NUMBER		IMPORTANT: Item 18 on reverse side must be completed. See attached instructions and complete and submit both copies.			
250,428		XO-605,818		15. This application is submitted for a stone or marker for the unmarked grave of a deceased member or former member of the Armed Forces of the U. S., soldier of the Union or Confederate Armies of the Civil War or for an unmarked memorial plot for a non-recoverable deceased member. I hereby agree to accept responsibility for proper placement at the grave or memorial plot at no expense to the Government.			
4. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, day, year)		5. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, day, year)		NAME OF APPLICANT (Print or Type)			
Dec. 12, 1917		June 10, 1919		Lois M. Watters			
6. STATE		7. MEDALS		RELATIONSHIP			
Montana		None shown		Widow			
8. GRADE OR RANK		9. BRANCH OF SERVICE, COMPANY, REGIMENT, DIVISION		ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Street address, City and State)			
Cpl		Hq. 16th Co. 20th Engineers		P.O. Box 463 Victor, Montana			
10. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year)		11. DATE OF DEATH (Month, day, year)		SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT			
April 13, 1895		Sept. 18, 1961		Lois M. Watters			
12. RELIGIOUS EMBLEM (Check one)		13. CHECK TYPE REQUIRED		DATE			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LATIN CROSS (Christian)		<input type="checkbox"/> UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE		10-16-61			
<input type="checkbox"/> STAR OF DAVID (Hebrew)		<input type="checkbox"/> FLAT MARBLE MARKER		16. FREIGHT STATION			
<input type="checkbox"/> NO EMBLEM		<input type="checkbox"/> FLAT GRANITE MARKER		Victor, Montana			
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FLAT BRONZE MARKER		17. NAME OF CONSIGNEE WHO WILL TRANSPORT STONE OR MARKER			
DO NOT WRITE HERE				ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE (Street address, City and State)			
FOR VERIFICATION		ORDERED		Victor, Montana			
OCT 20 1961		NOV 8 - 1961		I HAVE AGREED TO TAKE THE STONE OR MARKER TO THE CEMETERY.			
B/L		CONTRACTOR		SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE			
2506		JAMES H. MATTHEWS (290)		Same as # 17			
Cpl 20 Engineers		PITTSBURGH, PA.					

DD FORM 1330, 1 AUG 60 REPLACES DA FORM 1815, APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE OR MARKER Form Approved Budget Bureau No. 22-R205

## L. B. Watters Taken by Death

Lawrence B. Watters, 66, a native of Victor, died Monday while visiting at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Leslie Smith of Missoula.

He was born in 1896 in Victor, a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Watters. He was educated in Victor and at Montana State College in Bozeman.

Mr. Watters served in the Corps of Engineers in World War I.

He married Lois Veider of Grantsdale, April 25, 1925. He served as a rural mail carrier at Victor for 22 years.

Mr. Watters farmed until 1955 when he sold his land and built his present home on Big Creek north of Victor. He spent all of his life in the Victor area except for Army service and three years as a longshoreman at Portland, Ore.

Mr. Watters was state commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars for three years and one of the original organizers of VFW Post 1430.

### POST 1430.

Survivors include his widow, Lois; five children, Mrs. Charles E. Dean, Mrs. Smith and John Watters, all of Missoula; Mrs. Gayle E. Munson of Hamilton and George H. Watters of Bartonville, Ill.; three sisters, Mrs. Charles Shirly of Houston, Tex., Mrs. Margaret Olds and Mrs. Marion Vandenburg in Idaho; a brother, Dwight Watters of Seattle; eight grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements are pending under the direction of the Whitesitt Mortuary of Stevensville.

Obituary of Lawrence Brink Watters - "The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) – Tuesday 19 Sep 1961 p 9

## L. B. Watters Rites Planned

VICTOR — Funeral services for Lawrence B. Watters will be in Whitesitt Chapel at Stevensville Thursday at 2 p.m. The body will lie in state until 1:50.

Burial will be in the Victor Cemetery.

The Rev. Hugh Garner will officiate. There will be Masonic graveside service and the VFW salute.

Mr. Watters served in the Corps of Engineers in World War I. He was a passenger on the ill-fated Tuscania which was torpedoed off the coast of Scotland.

Mr. Watters was State Commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars and one of the charter members of Ravalli County Post 1430, VFW.

He was a member of Victor Masonic Lodge 43, AF&AM and its master during 1924 and 1925. He was a long-time the oldest member of Victor Presbyterian Church.

Obituary of Lawrence Brink Watters - "The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) – Wednesday 20 Sep 1961 p 10



4428 V.S. 2-8-59-1237  
STATE OF MONTANA  
Survivor No. 288

ORIGINAL FOR STATE REGISTRAR  
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH  
State File No. 61 320264

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
Bureau of Vital Statistics

1. PLACE OF DEATH  
a. COUNTY Missoula  
b. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION Missoula  
c. LENGTH OF STAY IN b. Victor  
d. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION (If not in hospital, give street address) Home of daughter, Mrs. Leslie Smith, 115 Palmer  
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐  
f. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐  
g. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution, residence before admission)  
a. STATE Montana  
b. COUNTY Ravalli  
c. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION Victor  
d. STREET ADDRESS

3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type print)  
First Middle Last  
Lawrence Brink Watters  
4. DATE OF DEATH Month Day Year  
Sept. 18, 1961

5. SEX Male  
6. COLOR OR RACE White  
7. MARRIED ☒ NEVER MARRIED ☐  
WIDOWED ☐ DIVORCED ☐  
8. DATE OF BIRTH April 13, 1895  
9. AGE (In years last birthday) 66  
10. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) Rural Mail Carrier  
11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Victor, Montana  
12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? USA

13. FATHER'S NAME George I. Watters  
14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Louise Brink  
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (If yes, give date and dates of service) Yes War I  
16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 721 09 4351  
17. INFORMANT Address Mrs. Lawrence Watters, Victor, Montana

18. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).)  
PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:  
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) Coronary occlusion  
DUE TO (b) Coronary Art Disease  
DUE TO (c)  
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a)  
19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES ☐ NO ☒  
INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH 14R

20a. ACCIDENT ☐ SUICIDE ☐ HOMICIDE ☐  
20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of item 18.)  
20c. TIME OF INJURY Hour Month, Day, Year  
20d. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐  
20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)  
20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION COUNTY STATE

21. I attended the deceased from Death occurred at 2 PM on the date stated above; and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.  
22a. SIGNATURE (Degree or title) W. R.  
22b. ADDRESS Stevensville, Montana  
22c. DATE SIGNED 9-19-61

23a. BURIAL CREATION REMOVAL (Specify) 9-18-61  
23b. DATE 9-18-61  
23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Victor Cemetery  
23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State) Victor, Ravalli, Montana  
24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR ADDRESS Whitesitt FH, Stevensville  
25. DATE RECD. BY LOCAL REG. 10-2-61  
26. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE

MT death record – Lawrence Brink Watters - [https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/941449:5437?tid=&pid=&queryId=534f9e26da7110cfb458c7df4ec8dfce&\\_phsrc=hFB66238&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/941449:5437?tid=&pid=&queryId=534f9e26da7110cfb458c7df4ec8dfce&_phsrc=hFB66238&_phstart=successSource)

Life:

Little Lawrence Watters celebrated his sixth birthday on Saturday. He entertained a number of his little friends to tea and they all spent a delightful time.

Victor MT news – Lawrence turns 6 - "The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Wednesday 17 Apr 1901 p 3

...up of last week.

Master Philip Messer gave an egg roast in which eight little boys took part. They were: Masters Edward and Joe Hackett, Perkins Robb, Kennedy Baird, Lawrence Watters, Floyd Dallas and Clarence Johnson. The little folks did not mind the cold weather and enjoyed themselves hugely.

"Ravalli Republic" (Hamilton MT) Friday 17 Apr 1903 p 1

**Real Estate Transfers.**

Lucy M. Million to Chas. P. Williamson, 120 acres; \$1.

B. R. V. I. Co. to Finley B. Campbell lot 8 blk. 9, Hamilton Heights; \$1.

Minnie L. Pigg to Daisy G. Kingsley, 80 acres near Florence; \$1.

Daisy G. Kingsley to Kate Keefe, 80 acres near Florence; \$1.

Victor Townsite Co. to Lawrence B. Watters one acre at Victor; \$1.

"Stevensville (MT) Western News" Wednesday 30 Dec 1908 p 1

**Lawrence Watters, Joe Hackett and Everett Babbitt returned Monday from a week's outing up the West Fork.**

Lawrence & Everett Babbitt will both survive Tuscania – "Ravalli Republic" (Hamilton MT) Friday 12 Sep 1913 p 5

The Misses Norma Fowler and Pearl Rowe entertained a crowd of young people at the Hanbidge residence Thursday evening. The main feature of the evening was a crazy Christmas tree. Lawrence Watters was masked as Mrs. Santa and Norma Fowler as Santa. Mr. and Mrs. Santa distributed the gifts, which consisted of take-offs and children's toys. After the gifts were all distributed the company sat on the floor on rugs and soft pillows and enjoyed a delicious lunch of coffee, sandwiches, nuts, dill pickles, bologna and animal cookies. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bates, Misses Gladys and Miriam Watters, Mary Rowe, Wasson, Dutton, Van Dyke, Kepner, Holmes, Messrs. Flater, Shirley, Herschberger, Ed and Robert Young, Chilson, Nelson, Hill and Watters.

"Daily Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Sunday 28 Dec 1913 p 4

Lawrence Watters will leave tomorrow for Bozeman where he will attend the agricultural college.

"Daily Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Thursday 3 Sep 1914 p 6

with the 163rd engineers.  
The Montana survivors listed by the war department follow:  
Ralph S. Graves, Missoula.  
George Upham, Missoula.  
C. M. Fletcher, Victor.  
John B. Clark, Deer Lodge.  
John J. Dolson, Plains.  
Alex D. Davidson, Perna.  
Van W. Gladden, Sidney.  
Fred D. Mettara, Kalispell.  
Herbert W. Miller, Great Falls.  
Paul McCormick, Billings.  
Ollie Edwin Oleson, Thompson Falls.  
Charles C. Smallack, Warm Springs.  
George L. St. Clair, Plains.  
Albert C. Tillman, Florence.  
James J. Tucker, Kalispell.  
Coleman White, Augusta.  
Charles G. Bennett, Ashley.  
John D. Morrow, Kalispell.  
Joseph D. Basye, Kalispell.  
Warren A. Blackman, Oliver Gulch.  
Emil A. Anderson, West Kalispell.  
James E. Babbitt, Victor.  
Edward C. Green, Billings.  
Peter J. Lavalie, Kalispell.  
John F. Mahoney, Gage.  
Leon S. Richardson, Plains.  
Oliver Wethern, Harlem.  
Floyd Winn, Belknap.  
Edward T. Mahoney, Gage.  
Sidney H. Griggs, Stearns.  
Walter P. Damon, Kalispell.  
Fred Kristenson, Livingston.  
Lawrence B. Watters, Victor.  
Willard C. Hall, Butte.  
Leo W. Stewart, Basin.  
Clarence W. McCollim, Cascade.  
David G. Hudtloff, Butte.  
Stewart J. Cairncross, Kalispell.  
Peter H. Stewart, Great Falls.  
Alme Van Den Drieseche, Stevensville.

Survivor – "Missoula (MT) Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 3

# ON THE TUSCANIA

## Boys, Saved from Watery Grave, Write Home.

**Lawrence Watters and James Everett Babbitt Tell of Experiences on Ill-Fated Boat.**

Victor, March 14.—Letters were received Tuesday by the parents of Lawrence B. Watters and James Everett Babbitt, who were on the *Tuscania*, which was sunk by a torpedo February 6. Elmer, referred to in the first letter, is Elmer Luther Cowan, who lost his life. The three boys left Victor about the last of November. The letters follow:

"February 14, 1918.—It has been some time since I have written you, but much longer since hearing from you. You may think I have had an easy time, but since going aboard the ship it has been rather hard, as we have been moved about so much. Have been treated like princes since we landed, except for clothing, as the government has not a very big supply here. Am just getting started again to collect a few little things of my own, donated by the Red Cross Association.

"Suppose by now you have heard

of our disaster on the sea, when we were in sight of land on both sides of the ship. We all thought we were safe, but guess the submarine had us sighted, and waited for us until dark, and then let her drive.

"It is an experience I never want to go through again. We were all ordered out, and especially requested to keep our lifebelts on, or with us. I, with half of the other bunch, was lined up for supper, on the third deck. The others, however, had just eaten, and were called out on deck for the rest of the night, as we were in what they call "Hell's hole." All of a sudden there came a bang, and out went the lights. Then we were in a mass of crowding men, and there was a great scramble for the upper decks, where the lifeboats were stationed, and where we were drilled to go in case of such an emergency.

"It was a terrible sight to see the way some of the men lost their heads and jumped overboard, some of whom were saved, and the rest numbered among the lost. Ropes on the lifeboats broke, spilling men in every direction, most of whom were picked up and saved. The boat I was to have gone on was smashed, so I was left on deck, with the rest of those who were going with me, as well as many others, who were in the same fix.



"Something told me that we would be saved, and sure enough, three torpedo destroyers came alongside of our ship and took us away to different landing points. We lost everything we had to our names, excepting what we had on our backs.

"From all indications, we are afraid that Elmer is among the missing, as we can hear nothing of him. Many of the lifeboats that were safely launched were mashed on the rocks. Most of the friends I had made, since being in the army, were killed in that way.

"I found Everett Babbitt, and we stuck together and made it away on the same "chaser." If this ship had sunk as quickly as most of them do, hardly any of us would have been saved. It took something over two hours for it to go down.

"The young wireless operator never left his post, but stayed right there to send messages and signals.

"Well I spent the last cent I had for soap, towels, tobacco, stationery and many other articles, so I was broke for the 14 days on board and ever since I landed. Hope you are all well and enjoying the green grass, as we are. Have been in many different countries and places since leaving home. If you want to send me anything please send me sweet chocolate, hard candy and handkerchiefs. You see I lost everything, even my sweater.

"May send cable before this reaches you. With love to all.

LAWRENCE WATTERS.

#### Safe Ashore.

"February 13.—I wrote you a few days ago. I am on foreign soil and am alright. I was on the ship that was torpedoed, but got away safely on a small boat. Lawrence is here with us but Elmer isn't here. He isn't among the list of drowned so I still have hopes that he is alright. I know it will be a great shock to his folks and friends. I guess you heard all about the ship being torpedoed and you were wondering if we were on the ship or not and if we were safe.

"Well it is time for the lights to go out in the Y. M. C. A., so I must close for this time.

"JAMES E. BABBITT."

"Ravalli Republican" (Hamilton MT) Friday 15 Mar 1918 p 4

Wires were received Sunday from Lawrence Watters and Everett Babbitt, who were on the troop ship Tuscania when it met its fate, stating that they were alive and safe. As yet no definite word has been received of Elmer L. Cowan, who was also on board.

"Ravalli Republican" (Hamilton MT) Friday 15 Mar 1918 p 5 -

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/443107703/>

# ON THE TUSCANIA

## Body of Elmer Cowan Washed Ashore on Rocks.

**Second Letter Received From Lawrence Watters Since He Was Wrecked off Coast of Ireland.**

Victor, March 21.—Another interesting letter has been received from Lawrence Watters by his folks. It was written February 17 and is as follows:

Well here it is Sunday and I just came from church in the Y. M. C. A. This organization is sure doing a great piece of work in this country. Well first of all I will tell you that Elmer L. Cowan was found dead. His body had been smashed and mangled on the rocks, and drifted ashore on an island. There were 175 bodies picked up and buried on this shore, with military honors. Goodness knows how many more on other islands. We lost forty-six out of our company. The rocks and cliffs were the cause of the greatest loss as the wind was so violent that the soldiers could do nothing against the waves and consequently were drifted to the rocks. Four out of seventy lived to tell the fate of their comrades. It certainly is pitiful the way they tell it.

That is all I will tell of the horrible disaster, but will leave the rest till I get home.

We each got paid £2 until our service records could be sent from U. S. No one was ever more pleased and delighted to get it than I, for I have not known what money looked like since I left the states.

I can understand the English money pretty well now, but they say French money is much more difficult. When you write tell me all about the farm and how you are all feeling. Have you had any weather cold enough for ice?

The people here are putting in the crops and they say the cabbage, sprouts, turnips and the like have been growing all winter.

Gee, it has been so long since I have had a letter that I hardly know what one looks like. You see we won't get our mail until we move again and I don't know when that will be.

The people around here are all waiting for the spring drive to take place. I really think it is about ready, according to the way they are acting at the front.

LAWRENCE WATTERS.

"Ravalli Republican" (Hamilton MT) Friday 22 Mar 1918 p 1

### Soldier's Letter.

A letter received recently by Mrs. John Smith from her brother Albert at Camp Lewis contains the following: "I received your letter a few days ago and I was certainly glad to get it, but I have been going so fast the last two weeks that I haven't had time to write at all. We have been out on the target range for two weeks and believe me it keeps us going. We get out at 6:45 a. m., stay until 11:45, then walk back 1½ miles to dinner and out again at 1 p. m. and stay until 6 p. m. Then in the evening we have "non. com." school, so we are a pretty busy bunch. I have fired about 200 shots since we started and very few of them wasted. I had the high score of the company and next highest of the regiment. On the record score I got 28 hits out of 32 shots. We shot at ranges one, two and three hundred yards at targets eight inches square. I received a card from Lawrence Watters a few days ago, but it was written before he knew of Elmer's fate. We are in quarantine for measles again so it will be at least two weeks before I can expect to get a furlough to come home. Your brother,  
SERGT. ALBERT COWAN.

"Ravalli Republican" (Hamilton MT) Friday 26 Apr 1918 p 5

A telegram has been received stating that Lawrence Watters, who has been in France for many months, has landed safely in New York and sent temporarily to Camp Merritt, New Jersey.

"The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Friday 30 May 1919 p 3

## FUNERAL FOR E. COWAN

**Body of Victor Boy, Who Was on Boat That Was Sunk Sailing for France, Received.**

Victor, Oct. 28.—Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Community church over the remains of Elmer Luther Cowan, received last Thursday evening from Port Ellen, Scotland, accompanied by a Mr. Welch of the military service. It will be remembered that Elmer Cowan, Lawrence Watters and Everett Babbitt enlisted in the forest service in December, 1917, and sailed for France February 1 on the boat which was torpedoed and sunk off the coast of Scotland on the morning of February 5, 1918. In the life boat in which Cowan left the ship only one man escaped alive when the boat was dashed to pieces on the rocks. His body was recovered and interred at Port Ellen, which is near where his father was born. At the request of his brothers and sisters the body was brought home through the Red Cross and the government.

Elmer Cowan was in the senior high school class and would have graduated with the class of 1918 had he remained in school. He was a star athlete of Ravalli county and won many medals and a cup during his three years of high school work. The services were conducted by Rev. F. J. Salsman of Hamilton, who was well acquainted with the deceased. Interment was in the Victor cemetery.

"Ravalli Republican" (Hamilton MT) Friday 29 Oct 1920 p 1

### RETURNING FROM FRANCE.

Victor, June 19.—Lawrence Watters returned last Thursday and Lawrence "Daley" McCarthy and Henry Treece returned Saturday and Everett Babbitt is expected back any day. All were in the forestry work in France. It will be remembered that Watters and Babbitt, together with Elmer Cowan, were on the torpedoed Tuscania.

"Ravalli Republic" Friday 20 Jun 1919 p 6

Two Victor men will always observe February 5. It was the date in 1918 when they were en route to France on the transport "Tuscania" when the boat was torpedoed and sunk off the coast of Scotland. Elmer L. Cowan, J. Everett Babbitt and Lawrence B. Watters left Victor together. Cowan lost his life when the life boat in which he and other made their escape from the fated "Tuscania, was dashed to pieces off the rocky Scotland coast. Watters and Babbitt are both here and their families and friends rejoice.

"The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Friday 7 Feb 1930 p 7

**ESTATE IS SETTLED.**  
HAMILTON, Mont., Sept. 8.—Distribution of the Louise B. Watters estate was ordered by Judge Albert Besancon. Lawrence B. Watters was discharged as administrator. The estate consists of land in Victor town site, orchards, live stock, about \$1200 cash and a few shares of Anaconda stock. The five heirs are the sons, Lawrence of Victor, Charles D. Watters of Hamilton, Gladys Shirley of Houston, Texas, Miriam Vandenburg of Genesee, Idaho, and Margaret Gillette of Trident.

"Spokane (WA) Spokesman-Review" Thursday 9 Sep 1937 p 30



## Post Sends Delegates.

Bitter Root post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the auxiliary, sent a delegation of men and women to the recent convention at Billings, and on their return home, report elective officers from the valley as Lawrence B. Watters of Victor, senior vice commander, and Elizabeth Edwards as chief of staff for the auxiliary. Those to attend the state meet were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Watters, Alva Butler, Cecil Tucker, Marin Willi, Mrs. Clark Devereux and Mrs. Gomer Lockridge.

"The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Sunday 9 Jul 1939 p 12

## 150 Persons Attend Dedication of Bitter Root Veterans' Clubhouse Held During District Convention

Hamilton, Sept. 24.—More than 150 men and women assembled here today for the dedication service of the Bitter Root Veterans of Foreign Wars' clubhouse. The dedication was combined with a meeting of district No. 1, and Gomer Lockridge, as commander of Bitter Root post, No. 1430, was in charge.

Men and women from Whitefish, Kalispell, Polson, Plains, Deer Lodge, Anaconda, Shelby, Great Falls and Missoula joined the members of the Hamilton post and auxiliary for the double district meeting of posts and auxiliaries and the dedication.

The veterans convened at the clubhouse, while the auxiliaries held their session in the Odd Fellows' hall. Mayor Joseph Iten welcomed the groups, and the response was made by Mike Mansfield of Ole Beck post, Missoula. Band selections were given by the Ravalli county school band, directed by George C. Borchers.

Program numbers included the history of Bitter Root post, given by Joseph I. Mahe, Spanish-American war veteran, who related that the first V. F. W. group to be organized for Bitter Root veterans was the Major Daniel T. Goff post, No. 1430, which came into being on March 19, 1926, with Chauncy Tracy, now dead, as its leader. The post was inactive for several years, and in July, 1935, was again organized to be named Bitter Root No. 1430. Lawrence B. Watters of Victor was first commander, and succeeding leaders of the post have been T. C. Tucker, Marin Willi and Gomer Lockridge.

The historian related also that the auxiliary's first president was Mrs. Charles Wemple, and when the 1935 post was organized Mrs. Linnie Blankenship was chosen leader. She

was succeeded by Mrs. Harriet Snow. The present chief officer is Mrs. May Vallance.

The veterans began construction of their clubhouse in 1937, and finishing touches to the interior were made during the past week in time for the dedication ceremony. The men contributed many hard licks to the erection of the clubhouse, and the Missoula veterans played a good neighbor part on occasion to help with the building operations. The auxiliary women prepared dinners for their clubhouse-builders and earned money for building funds.

Department Commander Jack Boorman of Shelby gave the dedication address. M. J. McDonough of Missoula acted as district commander, conducting the meeting of the veterans. H. Hansen of Great Falls, junior vice commander of the district, was master of ceremonies.

Mrs. Stella Stahl of Missoula was in charge of the auxiliary meeting as district president. Mrs. Marion Brayman of Missoula was secretary. State officers present were Tina Reitan, Whitefish, president; Mary Bartlett, Missoula, junior vice president; Florence Boorman, Shelby, guard, and Pearl Regan, Kalispell, conductress.

Members of the Bitter Root auxiliary and post served a banquet at the Odd Fellows' hall at 6:30 o'clock in the evening, and the dedication services followed at the clubhouse. Music numbers included songs by Marlin Buxton, accompanied by Mrs. Wallace McCrackin. Mrs. H. Toftoy of Corvallis and Mrs. Chris Efteland gave violin and piano duets. Devotionals were given by Rev. C. J. Taber of Hamilton.

State officers present were Jack Boorman, president; L. B. Watters,

vice president; H. Hansen, junior vice commander, and A. J. Howells of Plains, judge advocate.

The Ole Beck drum and bugle corps gave several street numbers.

Honors were accorded to three Gold Star mothers who were unable to attend the banquet. They are Mrs. W. Fields, Mrs. Dan Bennett and Mrs. William Neaves.

The Bitter Root post officers are Gomer Lockridge, commander; Jesse Beach, service commander; A. E. Robbins, junior vice commander; H. C. Treece, quartermaster; Hobart Reese, adjutant; T. C. Tucker, post advocate; L. B. Watters, service officer; Joe Garrod, chaplain; Marin Willi, surgeon; Paul Mendias, officer of the day; James Jenkins and Arthur Nicholson, color bearers; Tim Carpenter and Walter Williams, color guards, and Arwin Fessler, bugler.

Auxiliary officers are May Valance, president; Helen Lockridge, senior vice president; Lois Watters, junior vice president; Orpha Treece, treasurer; Henrietta Flicher, secretary; Cecilia Mendias, chaplain; Augusta Eggers, guard; Mrs. George Eggers, conductress; Gladys Nichols, historian; Mrs. Everett Babbitt, Mrs. Alvin Butler, Mrs. Hobart Reese and Mrs. Louis Buck, color bearers.

"The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Monday 25 Sep 1939 p 2

## NAMED HEAD OF JUNIOR ACTIVITY

Andrew Kerr, past commander of Butte post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, has been reappointed chairman of junior activities in Montana. He was named by Lawrence B. Watters of Hamilton, state commander of the V. F. W.

For his work in this capacity during the past year Mr. Kerr received the following from the national organization: "This is to acknowledge with thanks your very interesting report on junior activities for the department of Montana. It is indeed a pleasure to see that you have been so active in arousing the interest of Montana posts in junior activities and I believe this will be the beginning of a very successful program. I know the experience you have had and the results you have accomplished this year will be invaluable to your department."

"Montana Standard" (Butte MT) Tuesday 23 Jul 1940 p 2

## V. F. W. Leaders To Speak Here

Will Address Local  
Members Friday

Lawrence B. Watters of Victor, department commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, will address members of Billings post No. 1634 at a meeting Friday at 8 p. m. at the Commercial club, George Robinson, post commander, said Thursday.

Accompanying Commander Watters on his official visit to the post



LAWRENCE B. WATTERS

will be T. C. Tucker of Great Falls, chief-of-staff, who also will address the gathering. Watters' talk will be on "Strength in Numbers" and Tucker's will be on "Speak Up for Democracy."

Sunday officers of the local post will accompany Watters and Tucker to Bridger where they will take charge of the installation of a new post there.

"Billings (MT) Gazette" Friday 10 Jan 1941 p 3





"Spokane (WA) Chronicle" Friday 7 Feb 1941 p 11

Ravalli paper regularly ran stories on Tuscania survivors over the years

Wife:

## Lois May Watters

Lois May Watters, 79, died of natural causes at her home in Victor Tuesday night.

Lois was born Dec. 31, 1903, at Tobias, Nebraska, to May and James Veeder. She received her education in Nebraska. She graduated from Nebraska Normal College at Lincoln and attended classes at University of Montana in Missoula.

She moved to Grantsdale, then to Victor, where she taught school. She was a correspondent for the Western News and Ravalli Republic newspapers for many years.

She married Lawrence Watters in Victor in April, 1925.

She was a member of the Victor Federated Church, Naomi Chapter #19 of the Order of the Eastern Star, Victor Garden Club, VFW Auxiliary and the Arts and Crafts Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband in April, 1961, and one daughter, Beverly Munson, Jan. 4, 1979.

Survivors include two sons, George Watters of Illinois and John Watters of Colstrip, Mont.; two daughters, Shirley Dean and Joan Smith, both of Missoula; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be Friday at 2 p.m. at the Victor Cemetery with the Rev. Dave Hansen officiating.

Funeral arrangements are by Whitesett Funeral Home in Stevensville.

Obituary of Lois May Veeder Watters - "Ravalli (MT) Republic" Thursday 25 Aug 1983

## Lois May Watters

VICTOR — Lois May Watters, 79, a former school-teacher, died Tuesday at her residence in Victor of natural causes.

Mrs. Watters was born on Dec. 31, 1903, in Tobias, Neb., to James and May Veeder. She was a graduate of the Nebraska Normal College at Lincoln and attended the University of Montana. She resided in Missoula and later lived in Grantsdale and Victor, where she taught school.

In April 1925 she married Lawrence Watters in Victor. She was preceded her in death by her husband in April 1961 and by a daughter in January 1979.

She was a member of the Victor Federated Church, the Victor Order of Eastern Star, the Victor Garden Club, the V.F.W. Auxiliary and the Arts and Crafts Club. She also reported Victor news for the local newspaper.

Survivors include two sons, George, in Illinois, and John, Colstrip; two daughters, Shirley Dean and Joan Smith, both of Missoula, eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Victor Cemetery with the Rev. Dave Hansen officiating. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Whitesitt Funeral Home in Stevensville.

Pallbearers will be Robert Sizer, Charles Larson, Bill Thraikill, August Moraca, Prescott Hackett and Rod Keele. Honorary pallbearer will be Bill Stephani.

Obituary of Lois May Veeder Watters – "The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Thursday 25 Aug 1983 p 11

No. 2480

STATE OF MONTANA, }  
County of Ravalli, }


## Marriage License

**These Presents,** Are to authorize any Judge of a Court of Record, any Justice of the Peace within the said County, elected or appointed by the Governor of the State of Montana therefor, any regularly ordained Minister who is in good standing in the religious denomination to which he belongs, or any Religious Society, according to the usages of said Society to solemnize, within said County, the marriage of

Lawrence Brink Watten a white man, aged 20 years,  
born at Victor in the County of Ravalli State of Montana  
and now residing at Victor in the County of Ravalli and State of Montana, and  
son of George J. Watten and Louise Brink with  
Louise Mae Feeder white woman, aged 21 years, born at  
Sobies in the County of state of Nebraska  
and now residing at Shantdale in the County of Ravalli and State of Montana, and  
daughter of James H. Feeder and May Moore

said parties being of sufficient age to be capable of contracting marriage, and there being no legal impediment thereto

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this 25th day of April A. D. 1925



J. L. Adams District Clerk.  
By D. H. Ginnay Deputy Clerk.

**Marriage Certificate**

STATE OF MONTANA, } ss.  
County of Ravalli, }

**I Hereby Certify,** That I believe that the facts stated in the foregoing License are true, and that, upon due inquiry, there appears to be no legal impediment to the marriage of said Lawrence Bink Watters and Lois Mae Under; that said parties were joined in marriage by me on the Twenty Fifth day of April A. D. 1925, at Krantedale in the said County and State; that Anna Roach a resident of Victor of the County of Ravalli and State of Montana, and Joseph Narket a resident of Victor of the County of Ravalli and State of Montana, were present as witnesses of said marriage ceremony; that Lawrence Bink Watters and Lois Mae Under solemnly declared, in my presence, and the presence of said named witnesses, that they took each other as husband and wife.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, this Twenty Fifth day of April A. D. 1925.

In the Presence of  
Anna Roach }  
Joseph Narket } Witnesses. Earnest Clutterbuck  
Paster  
Baptist Church

Filed for record the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May  
A. D. 1925, at 9.10 o'clock A.M.  
J. L. Adams Clerk.  
By M. L. Adams Deputy.

Marriage - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/231907:61578?tid=&pid=&queryId=534f9e26da7110cfb458c7df4ec8dfce&phsrc=hFB66237&phstart=successSource>

## EVENING WEDDING

### Miss Veeder and Laurence Watters are United.

Ceremony Occurred at the Grantsdale Church and the Couple Will Reside Near Victor.

Grantsdale, April 30.—The Grantsdale church was the scene of a very pretty wedding Saturday evening at 7 o'clock, when Miss Lois Veeder became the bride of Laurence B. Watters of Victor, Rev. E. Clutterbuck of Darby officiating. The happy couple were attended by Miss

Anna Roark and Joseph Hackett, both of Victor. The bride was attired in white silk and the bridesmaid's gown was pink crepe de chine.

The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion, at Miss Veeder's request, by her Sunday school class—Mrs. Ralph Dougherty, Olita Allen, Iona Lyndes, Doris Alkire and Merle, Emma and Minnie Robbins. These ladies acted as ushers. Miss Carrie Lupton, as a piano selection, rendered "O Promise Me."

Miss Veeder, who is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Veeder, is a graduate of the Missoula high school, also of the State Teachers' College of Peru, Neb., and had a year's work at the University of Montana. She has been teaching

the seventh grade at Victor.

Mr. Watters enlisted in the World war while attending the State Agricultural College at Bozeman and was in the engineering corps of the American expeditionary forces in France two years.

Besides the Grantsdale friends in attendance were the following relatives and friends: Mrs. Jennie C. Moore, Misses Sylvia and Vendella Johnson and Miss Nora Bumgardner of Missoula; Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Watters, Miss Margaret Watters, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hackett, Edward Hackett, Bennie Hackett, Mr. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Titt of Victor, and the Misses Emma and Mary Madeen of Hamilton. After the ceremony the immediate relatives and friends repaired to the Veeder home, where a sumptuous wedding supper was en-

joyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Watters left at once for their ranch home near Victor, which had been completely furnished for housekeeping.

Wedding — "Ravalli Republic" (Hamilton MT) Friday 1 May 1925 p 8



## HAMILTON

HAMILTON, April 28.—(Special).—Miss Lois Veeder was the bride of Lawrence B. Watters Saturday evening, the marriage being solemnized at the Grantsdale Presbyterian church at 7 p. m. by the Rev. E. E. Clutterback of Darby. Miss Anne Roark and Joseph Hackett of Victor attended the bridal pair and the bride was given in marriage by her father.

The guests were immediate relatives and friends and following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Veeder. Mr. and Mrs. Watters left that evening for their new home at the groom's ranch near Victor.

Miss Veeder has been a teacher in the Victor schools the past year. She is a graduate of the Missoula high school and attended the university there for a year. She graduated from the Teacher's normal college of Peru, Neb., last year. Her parents live at Grantsdale where Mr. Veeder is principal of the schools.

Mr. Watters is a son of Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Watters, pioneer residents of Victor, and is a mail carrier in that locality. Both are popular young people in the Victor community.

Mrs. J. C. Moore, grandmother of the bride, Miss Silvia Vendella and Miss Nona Baumgardner, university students were present from Missoula for the wedding.

Wedding – "Butte (MT) Miner" Wednesday 29 Apr 1925 p 3

## Retired Teacher Dies at Hamilton

Hamilton, June 6.—James Henry Veeder, 86, died at a Hamilton hospital Wednesday morning after an extended illness. A retired teacher, Mr. Veeder had resided on a farm west of Hamilton for most of his 23 years in the Bitter Root valley. His wife died here a few years ago. He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Lawrence B. Watters, former Victor woman, now residing at Portland, Ore. Mrs. Watters came here recently to be with her father.

Mr. Veeder was born at Gloversville, N. Y., May 18, 1859. Educated in his home state schools he entered the teaching profession after attending the Illinois State normal at Peru, and the University of Chicago. He came to Missoula in 1904, serving there as a mail messenger and he also served in a government capacity in the Flathead valley during the opening of the reservation to land entry, several years. He was principal of the Grantsdale schools from 1923 through 1925. Since then he had farmed on his small place west of Hamilton. There are five grandchildren, George, Shirley, John, Joan and Beverly Watters.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at the Dowling chapel by Rev. C. R. Miller and Rev. C. R. Miller and Rev. C. J. Taber. Burial will be in Riverview cemetery. Pallbearers will be W. A. Matthews, W. A. Wright, DeWitt Vial, Alvin Butler, C. B. Kenck and W. P. Robb.

Death of father-in-law – "The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Thursday 7 Jun 1945 p 2

## **VICTOR MAN PLEADS INNOCENT TO CHARGE**

Victor — Lawrence B. Watters pleaded innocent Thursday when arraigned before Justice of the Peace Ralph L. Starr on a charge of hit and run driving. Sheriff's officers said that he is alleged to have been driving a car that was involved in an accident near the Buckhouse bridge on July 22. Starr set his trial for next Thursday.

“Ravalli Republic” (Hamilton MT) Friday 6 Aug 1948 p 1

## **Innocent Is Plea Of L. B. Watters**

Lawrence B. Watters pleaded innocent Thursday when arraigned before Justice of the Peace Ralph L. Starr on a charge of hit-and-run. He is alleged to have been driving a car that was involved in an accident with a car driven by Irvin Wernath July 22, near the Buckhouse bridge. His trial was set for next Thursday.

“The Missoulian” (Missoula MT) Friday 6 Aug 1948 p 13

Children:



Son George Henry Watters (1926-2020) – Find A Grave 213131778

Form V. S. No. 7-A. 4-24-10M. DUPLICATE FOR CLERK AND RECORDER.

**STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH.**

PLACE OF BIRTH Department of Public Health,  
Division of Vital Statistics

County of Beavalli STATE OF MONTANA.

Village or City of Victor Mont R. L. L. Street. Reg. No. 25-

Full Name of Child George Henry Watters { If child is not yet named, make supplemental report as directed.

Sex of Child. <u>male</u>	Twin, triplet, or other?	Number in order of birth.	Legitimate.	Date of birth.
			<u>yes</u>	<u>May 17</u> 19 <u>24</u>
(Month) (Day) (Year)				

To be answered only in event of plural births.

Full Name. <u>Lawrence Brink Watters</u>	FATHER.	Full Maiden Name. <u>Louise Mae Vander</u>	MOTHER.
Residence. <u>Victor Mont R. L. L.</u>		Residence. <u>Victor Mont R. L. L.</u>	
Color. <u>white</u>	Age at last birthday <u>31</u> (Years)	Color. <u>white</u>	Age at last birthday <u>22</u> (Years)
Birthplace. <u>Victor Mont</u>		Birthplace. <u>Idaho</u>	
Occupation. <u>Rural Mail Carrier</u>		Occupation. <u>Homemaker</u>	

Number of children born to this mother including present birth: (a) Born alive and now living 1 (b) Born alive but now dead 0 (c) Stillborn 0

What prophylactic was used to prevent ophthalmia neonatorum? Silver nitrate 1%

**CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE.\***

I hereby certify that I attended the birth of this child, who was born alive at 3:45 P. M. on the date above stated. (Born alive or stillborn)

\*When there was no attending physician or midwife, then the father, householder, etc., should make this return. A stillborn child is one that neither breathes nor shows other evidence of life after birth.

Given name added from supplemental report \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_

Signature Frank J. Parker  
Physician  
(Physician or midwife)  
Stevensville Mont

Filed May 25-1924 W. P. Reynolds  
Registrar. Registrar.

WRITE PLAINLY WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD—PREFERABLY PRINT SURNAME  
N. B.—In case of more than one child at a birth a SEPARATE RETURN must be made for each and the number of each, in order of birth, stated.

MT birth of son George Henry Watters - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/150103012:61255>

Form V. R. No. 7-B-10M-2-27. DUPLICATE FOR CLERK AND RECORDER

**STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH.**

PLACE OF BIRTH Department of Public Health  
Division of Vital Statistics.

County of Beavert No. 2987 DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE

Township of \_\_\_\_\_ STATE OF MONTANA

Village or \_\_\_\_\_  
City of Victor, Mont. Street. Reg. No. 36

Full Name of Child Shirley Mae Watters { If child is not yet named, make supplemental report, as directed.

Sex of Child Female Twin, triplet, or other? \_\_\_\_\_ Number in order of birth. 2 Legitimate. yes Date of birth Aug 11 1927  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

To be answered only in event of plural births.

FATHER. MOTHER.

Full Name. Lawrence Brink Watters Full Maiden Name. Lois Mae Needy  
Residence. Victor, Mont. R.D. 1 Residence. Victor, Mont.  
Color. white Age at last birthday. 32 Color. white Age at last birthday. 28  
(Years) (Years)

Birthplace. Victor, Mont. Birthplace. Nebraska  
Occupation. Rural Mail Carrier Occupation. Homemaker

Number of children born to this mother including present birth: (a) Born alive and now living. 2 (b) Born alive but now dead. 0 (c) Stillborn. 0

What prophylactic was used to prevent ophthalmia neonatorum? \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE.\***

I hereby certify that I attended the birth of this child, who was Born alive at 5 A. M. on the date above stated. (Born alive or stillborn)

\*When there was no attending physician or midwife, then the father, householder, etc., should make this return. A stillborn child is one that neither breathes nor shows other evidence of life after birth.

Signature Howard J. Davis  
(Physician or midwife)

Given name added from supplemental report \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_

Registered \_\_\_\_\_

Filed Aug 20 1927 W.D. Reynolds Registrar.

Write plainly with Unfading Ink—This is a Permanent Record—Preferably Print Name.  
X. B.—In case of more than one child at a birth, a SEPARATE RETURN must be made for each and the number of each, in order of birth, stated.

MT birth record of daughter Shirley Mae Watters - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/103211:61255>



**Marriage License**

STATE OF MONTANA, }  
County of Ravalli.

These Presents, Are to authorize any Judge of a Court of Record, any Justice of the Peace within the said County, clerical or appointed by the Governor of the State of Montana therefor, any regularly ordained Minister who is in good standing in the religious denomination to which he belongs, or any Religious Society, according to the usage of said Society, to solemnize, within said County, the marriage of Charles Edgar Dean, a white man, aged 23 years, born at Melrose in the County of Blaine State of Montana, and now residing at Missoula in the County of Missoula State of Montana, and son of John Christian Dean and Antoinette Francis Wood with Shirley Mae Watters, a white woman, aged 19 years, born at Victor in the County of Ravalli State of Montana and now residing at Victor in the County of Ravalli and State of Montana, and daughter of Frederick Donald Bernal and Joan Carolyn Watters said parties being of sufficient age to be capable of contracting marriage, and there being no legal impediment thereto. To stand as witnesses.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September A. D. 1946

Marshall Anderson  
Darius Clerk

By Harriette Snow  
Deputy Clerk

**Marriage Certificate**

STATE OF MONTANA, }  
County of Ravalli.

I Hereby Certify That I believe that the facts stated in the foregoing License are true, and that upon due inquiry, there appears to be no legal impediment to the marriage of said Charles Edgar Dean and Shirley Mae Watters that said parties were joined in marriage by me on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September A. D. 1946 at Victor in the said County and State; that Frederick Donald Bernal a resident of Victor in the County of Ravalli and State of Montana, and Joan Carolyn Watters a resident of Victor in the County of Ravalli and State of Montana, were present as witnesses of said marriage ceremony; that Charles Edgar Dean and Shirley Mae Watters solemnly declared in my presence, and the presence of said named witnesses, that they took each other as husband and wife.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September A. D. 1946

In the Presence of  
Frederick Donald Bernal Witness  
Joan Carolyn Watters

Rev. Chas. P. Miller D.D.  
Minister of the Gospel

Filed for Record the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September A. D. 1946 at 1:15 o'clock P. M.  
Marshall Anderson, Clerk  
By Harriette Snow Deputy

Marriage of Shirley Mae Watters to Charles Edgar Dean -

[https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/90217816:61578?tid=&pid=&queryId=b442e03e932bb698f370d96794e3eae&\\_phsrc=hFB66256&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/90217816:61578?tid=&pid=&queryId=b442e03e932bb698f370d96794e3eae&_phsrc=hFB66256&_phstart=successSource)



## Miss Watters Bride Of Charles Dean

Victor.—Miss Shirley Mae Watters, and Charles Edgar Dean, Missoula, were married by the Rev. C. R. Miller, Hamilton, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Watters, September 15 in the presence of relatives and close friends.

The vows for the double ring service were taken before an evergreen bower flanked by baskets of gladiolus. Bowls of pastel autumn flowers decorated the living room. The wedding march followed a prelude and was played by Miss Jacquain Brown, Great Falls, former classmate of the bride. Little Jimmie Zamora preceded the bride and groom, bearing the rings on a white satin pillow.

The bride was lovely in a white gown of a brocaded satin waist with a short peplum over a full marquisite skirt. She wore a finger-tip veil of white net edged in lace and held in place by a white prayer book bearing a lavender orchid with streamers of white stephanotis. Her only jewelry was a single stand of pearls, gift of the groom.

The maid of honor was her sister, Joan, who wore a flowered taffeta formal and carried a Colonial bouquet of pink and white asters centered with pink roses. Donald Garrod, Victor, attended the groom. Ushers were Ronald Brown and the bride's brothers, George and Jack Waters.

The bride's mother wore black velvet with a corsage of roses and gardenias. The groom's mother wore an aqua afternoon dress and a corsage of roses.

A three-tiered wedding cake, topped by a miniature bride and groom and surrounded by roses and pink tapers, graced a lace-covered table. The cake was cut by the bride and groom and served by Mrs. Leslie Smith and Miss Barbara Summers, Hamilton. All the girls who assisted in serving wore pastel formals.

Mrs. Dean is a 1946 graduate of the girls' Polytechnic high school of Portland, Ore. The groom, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dean, Victor, graduated from Victor high school in 1942 and served three years in the navy, most of which time was overseas.

After a reception the bride and groom left for a short wedding trip. On their return they will live in Missoula at 644 South Second street. The groom is employed at the Fuller Paint company store.

Wedding of Shirley Mae Watters & Charles Edgar Dean – "Ravallia Republic" (Hamilton MT)  
Friday 20 Sep 1946 p 1

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Local File Number:

MONTANA CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

State File Number: 201832-009286

1. DECEDENT'S NAME (First, Middle, Last) <b>Charles Edgar Dean</b>		AKAa (If Any)		29. ACTUAL OR PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH (Mo/Day/Yr) (Spell Month) <b>November 19, 2018</b>	
2. SEX <b>Male</b>	Age - last Birthday (Years) <b>95</b>	4b. Under 1 Year Months	4c. Under 1 Day Hours	5. DATE OF BIRTH (Month/Day/Year) <b>August 30, 1923</b>	17. COUNTY OF DEATH <b>Missoula</b>
14. PLACE OF DEATH (Check only one) HOSPITAL: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inpatient <input type="checkbox"/> ER/Outpatient <input type="checkbox"/> Dead on Arrival OTHER: <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing Home/Long term care facility <input type="checkbox"/> Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Hospice <input type="checkbox"/> Other					
15. FACILITY NAME (If not institution, give street and number) <b>St. Patrick Hospital</b>			16. CITY, TOWN OR LOCATION OF DEATH <b>Missoula</b>		
6. BIRTHPLACE (City, and State or Foreign Country) <b>Meleose, Montana</b>		3. MARITAL STATUS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Never Married <input type="checkbox"/> Married but Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		10. SURVIVING SPOUSE <b>Shirley Mac Dean</b>	
54. DECEDENT'S USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life. Do not use retired.) <b>Conductor</b>		55. KIND OF BUSINESS/INDUSTRY <b>Railroad</b>		8. WAS DECEDENT EVER IN US ARMED FORCES? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
7a. RESIDENCE STATE <b>Montana</b>	7b. COUNTY <b>Missoula</b>	7c. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION <b>Missoula</b>	7d. STREET NUMBER <b>1808 Countryside Court</b>	7i. ZIP CODE <b>59808</b>	7g. INSIDE CITY <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
51. DECEDENT'S EDUCATION (Specify only the highest diploma or degree received) <input type="checkbox"/> 8th grade or less <input type="checkbox"/> 9th-12th grade: No diploma <input type="checkbox"/> High School graduate or GED completed <input type="checkbox"/> Some college, but no degree <input type="checkbox"/> Associates Degree (e.g. AA, AS) <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor's Degree (e.g. BA, AB, BS) <input type="checkbox"/> Master's Degree (e.g. MA, MS, MEng, MEd, MEd, MEd) <input type="checkbox"/> Doctorate (e.g. PhD, EdD) or Professional degree (e.g. MD, DDS, DVM, LLB, JD)		52. DECEDENT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN? (Check the box that best describes whether the decedent is Spanish/Hispanic/Latino. Check the No box if the decedent is not Spanish/Hispanic/Latino.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No, not Spanish/Hispanic/Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Puerto Rican <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Cuban <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, other Spanish/Hispanic/Latino (Specify)		53. DECEDENT'S RACE (Check one or more races to indicate what the decedent considers himself or herself to be.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Black African American <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Filipino <input type="checkbox"/> Japanese <input type="checkbox"/> Guamanian or Chamorro <input type="checkbox"/> Korean <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnamese <input type="checkbox"/> Samoan <input type="checkbox"/> Other Asian (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Other Pacific Islander (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native (Name of the enrolled or principal tribe) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
11. FATHER'S NAME (First, Middle, Last) <b>John Christian Dean</b>		12. MOTHER'S NAME (First, Middle, last name before first marriage) <b>Katherine Wold</b>			
13a. INFORMANT'S NAME <b>Shirley Mac Dean</b>		13b. RELATION TO DECEDENT <b>Wife</b>		13c. MAILING ADDRESS (Street and Number or Rural Route Number, City or Town, State, Zip Code) <b>1808 Countryside Court, Missoula, Montana 59808</b>	
18. METHOD OF DISPOSITION <input type="checkbox"/> Burial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cremation <input type="checkbox"/> Removal from State <input type="checkbox"/> Other		19. PLACE OF DISPOSITION <b>Brothers Mortuary &amp; Crematory</b>		20. LOCATION (City or Town, State) <b>Hamilton, Montana</b>	
22. SIGNATURE OF FUNERAL SERVICE LICENSEE OR OTHER PERSON IN CHARGE OF DISPOSITION <b>Ronald E. Brothers CFSP</b>		23. MONTANA LICENSE NO. (of licensee if applicable) <b>550</b>		21. NAME AND ADDRESS OF FUNERAL FACILITY <b>Brothers Mortuary &amp; Crematory, 1206 S 2nd St, Hamilton, Montana 59840</b>	

To Be Completed By: Funeral Director

ITEMS 24-28 MUST BE COMPLETED BY PERSON WHO PRONOUNCES OR CERTIFIES DEATH		24. DATE PRONOUNCED DEAD (Month/Day/Year) <b>November 19, 2018</b>	25. TIME PRONOUNCED DEAD <b>13:35 Military</b>
26. SIGNATURE OF PERSON PRONOUNCING DEATH (only when applicable) <b>Trudy Shepard, FNP</b>		27. LICENSE NUMBER <b>25592</b>	
28. DATE SIGNED (Month/Day/Year) <b>November 19, 2018</b>	33. ACTUAL OR PRESUMED TIME OF DEATH <b>13:35 Military Actual</b>	31. WAS MEDICAL EXAMINER OR CORONER CONTACTED? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>CAUSE OF DEATH (See instructions and example)</b> 32. PART I. Enter the chain of events - diseases, injuries, or complications - that directly caused the death. DO NOT enter terminal events such as cardiac arrest, respiratory arrest, or ventricular fibrillation without showing the etiology. DO NOT ABBREVIATE. Enter only one cause on a line. Add additional lines if necessary. IMMEDIATE CAUSE (Final disease or condition resulting in death) → a. <u>Aspiration pneumonia</u> DUE TO (or as a consequence of): b. <u>Acute on chronic respiratory failure</u> DUE TO (or as a consequence of): c. <u>Chronic diastolic heart failure</u> DUE TO (or as a consequence of): d. <u>Severe protein calorie malnutrition</u> PART II. Other significant conditions contributing to death but not resulting in the underlying cause given in Part I			Approximate interval: (Include Min, Hr, Day, Yrs, etc.) <b>11.14.2018</b> <b>11.14.2018</b> <b>Years</b> <b>~ 1 years</b>
37. MANNER OF DEATH <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Natural <input type="checkbox"/> Homicide <input type="checkbox"/> Accident <input type="checkbox"/> Pending investigation <input type="checkbox"/> Suicide <input type="checkbox"/> Could not be Determined			35. DID TOBACCO USE CONTRIBUTE TO DEATH? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
38. IF FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/> Not pregnant within past year <input type="checkbox"/> Not pregnant, but pregnant within 42 days of death <input type="checkbox"/> Not pregnant, but pregnant 43 days to 1 year before death			36. IF FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/> Pregnant at time of death <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown if pregnant within past year
DATE OF INJURY (Month/Day/Year) 38.	TIME OF INJURY 39.	INJURED AT WORK 41. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	40. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g. Decedent's Home, Construction Site, Restaurant, Wooded Area)
43. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED			44. IF TRAFFIC ACCIDENT SPECIFY <input type="checkbox"/> Driver/Operator <input type="checkbox"/> Pedestrian <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger <input type="checkbox"/> Other
45. TO BE COMPLETED BY CERTIFIER: (A certifier can be a MD, PA, APRN, or coroner) <input type="checkbox"/> Certifying Physician: To the best of my knowledge death occurred at the time, date, and place, and due to the cause(s) and manner stated. <input type="checkbox"/> Pronouncing & Certifying physician: To the best of my knowledge death occurred at the time, date, and place, and due to the cause(s) and manner stated. <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Examiner/Coroner: On the basis of examination and/or investigation, in my opinion, death occurred at the time, date, and place, and due to the cause(s) and manner stated. SIGNATURE: <u>Trudy Shepard</u>			46. DATE CERTIFIED (Month/Day/Year) <b>November 19, 2018</b>
46. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CERTIFIER (PHYSICIAN OR CORONER) <b>Trudy Shepard 500 W Broadway, Missoula, MT 59802</b>			47. LICENSE NO. <b>25592</b>
LOCAL REGISTRAR'S NAME <b>Shyra Scott</b>			48. TITLE <b>FNP</b>
50. DATE FILED (Mo/Day/Yr) <b>December 13, 2018</b>			

To Be Completed By: Medical Certifier

MT death record of Charles Edgar Dean (1923-2018) -  
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/526472842:5437>



Son John W. ("Jack") Watters (1928-2012) – Find A Grave 83931455



John Watters, age 83 of Forsyth passed away on Friday, January 20, 2012 at the Rosebud Health Care Center in Forsyth.

John was born September 27, 1928 the son of Laurence and Lois (Vetter) Watters in Victor, MT. He attended school in Missoula and graduated from Missoula High School. John worked construction as a millwright. He was united in marriage to Myrtle and he later married Sandra Flint in May of 1981 in Centralia, WA.

He was a member of the Mason's, he was an avid hunter, fisherman, and loved to go camping. He also enjoyed gold panning and loved watching Western Movies.

John was preceded in death by his parents, Laurence and Lois Watters; his first wife Myrtle Watters; his second wife Sandra Watters; his daughter Sally Edgbert and his sister Beverly Munson.

He is survived by his daughter Joni (Dale) Heppner of Forsyth, MT; his son John Watters of Billings, MT; George (Phyllis) Watters of Bartonville, IL; Shirley (Charles) Dean of Missoula, MT; Joe (Less) Smith of Missoula, MT and Bev (Gayle) Munson of Florence, MT. He is also survived by his 6 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren, 4 nieces, 3 nephews, 4 great nieces and 3 great nephews.

At John's request, cremation has taken place and services are planned for August of 2012 in Victor, MT.

Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home of Forsyth has been entrusted with these arrangements and condolences may be sent to the family by visiting [www.stevensonandsons.com](http://www.stevensonandsons.com)

Obituary of John William Watters - <https://stevensonfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/john-watters/>

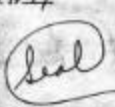


**Marriage License**

STATE OF MONTANA }  
County of Ravalli. } No. 35264

These Presents, we do authorize any Judge of a Court of Record, any Justice of the Peace within the said County, elected or appointed by the Governor of the State of Montana therefor, any regularly ordained Minister who is in good standing in the religious denomination to which he belongs, or any religious Society, according to the usage of said Society, to solemnize, within said County, the marriage of Leslie Ray Smith a white man, aged 18 years, born at Opheim in the County of Valley State of Montana, and now residing at Victor in the County of Ravalli State of Montana, and son of Jack Smith and Blanche Sammlson with Joan Carolyn Watters a white woman, aged 18 years, born at Victor in the County of Ravalli State of Montana and now residing at Victor in the County of Ravalli and State of Montana, and daughter of Lawrence B. Watters and Lois Mae Deeder said parties being of sufficient age to be capable of contracting marriage, and there being no legal impediment thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December A. D. 1947

 Marshall Anderson  
District Clerk.

Therette Snow  
Deputy Clerk.

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**Marriage Certificate**

STATE OF MONTANA }  
County of Ravalli. }

I Hereby Certify That I believe that the facts stated in the foregoing License are true, and that upon due inquiry, there appears to be no legal impediment to the marriage of said Leslie Ray Smith and Joan Carolyn Watters; that said parties were joined in marriage by me on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of December A. D. 1947 at Victor in the said County and State; that John W. Watters a resident of Victor of the County of Ravalli and State of Montana, and Beverly L. Watters a resident of Victor of the County of Ravalli and State of Montana, were present as witnesses at said marriage ceremony; that Leslie Ray Smith and Joan Carolyn Watters solemnly declared in my presence, and the presence of said named witnesses, that they took each other as husband and wife.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December A. D. 1947

To the Presence of  
John W. Watters Witness, Charles R. Martin  
Beverly L. Watters

Filed for Record the 9<sup>th</sup> day of December A. D. 1947 at 9:15 o'clock  
Marshall Anderson Clerk  
Therette Snow Deputy

Marriage of daughter Joan Carolyn/Caroline Watters (1929-2017) - to Leslie Ray Smith - Victor, Ravalli MT 6 Dec 1947 - [https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/135218035:61578?tid=&pid=&queryId=534f9e26da7110cfb458c7df4ec8dfc&\\_phsrc=hFB66242&\\_phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/135218035:61578?tid=&pid=&queryId=534f9e26da7110cfb458c7df4ec8dfc&_phsrc=hFB66242&_phstart=successSource)

Local File Number:		MONTANA CERTIFICATE OF DEATH				State File Number: 201732-000829	
1. DECEDENT'S NAME (First, Middle, Last) <b>Joan Caroline Smith</b>					AKAs (If Any)		29. ACTUAL OR PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH (Mo/Day/Yr) (Spell Month) <b>January 18, 2017</b>
2. SEX <b>Female</b>	3. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	Age - last Birthday (Years) <b>87</b>	4b. Under 1 Year Months	4c. Under 1 Day Hours	5. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year) <b>August 17, 1929</b>	17. COUNTY OF DEATH <b>Missoula</b>	
14. PLACE OF DEATH (Check only one) HOSPITAL: <input type="checkbox"/> Inpatient <input type="checkbox"/> ER/Outpatient <input type="checkbox"/> Dead on Arrival OTHER: <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing Home/Long term care facility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Hospice <input type="checkbox"/> Other							
15. FACILITY NAME (If not institution, give street and number) <b>915 Palmer Street</b>					16. CITY, TOWN OR LOCATION OF DEATH <b>Missoula</b>		
6. BIRTHPLACE (City and State or Foreign Country) <b>Victor, Montana</b>			9. MARITAL STATUS <input type="checkbox"/> Never Married <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Married but Separated		10. SURVIVING SPOUSE		
54. DECEDENT'S USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life. Do not use retired.) <b>Bookkeeper</b>			55. KIND OF BUSINESS/INDUSTRY <b>Accounting</b>			8. WAS DECEDENT EVER IN US ARMED FORCES? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
7a. RESIDENCE STATE <b>Montana</b>	7b. COUNTY <b>Missoula</b>	7c. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION <b>Missoula</b>	7d. STREET NUMBER <b>915 Palmer Street</b>	7f. ZIP CODE <b>59802</b>	7g. INSIDE CITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
51. DECEDENT'S EDUCATION (Specify only the highest diploma or degree received) <input type="checkbox"/> 8th grade or less <input type="checkbox"/> 9th-12th grade; No diploma <input type="checkbox"/> High School graduate or GED completed <input type="checkbox"/> Some college, but no degree <input type="checkbox"/> Associates Degree (e.g. AA, AS) <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor's Degree (e.g. BA, AB, BS) <input type="checkbox"/> Master's Degree (e.g. MA, MS, MEd, MSW, MBA) <input type="checkbox"/> Doctorate (e.g. PhD, EdD) or Professional degree (e.g. MD, DDS, DVM, LLB, JD)		52. DECEDENT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN? (Check the box that best describes whether the decedent is Spanish/Hispanic/Latino. Check the No box if the decedent is not Spanish/Hispanic/Latino.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No, not Spanish/Hispanic/Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Puerto Rican <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Cuban <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, other Spanish/Hispanic/Latino (Specify)		53. DECEDENT'S RACE (Check one or more races to indicate what the decedent considers himself or herself to be.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Black African American <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Filipino <input type="checkbox"/> Japanese <input type="checkbox"/> Guamanian or Chamorro <input type="checkbox"/> Korean <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnamese <input type="checkbox"/> Samoan <input type="checkbox"/> Other Asian (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Other Pacific Islander (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native (Name of the enrolled or principal tribe) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)			
11. FATHER'S NAME (First, Middle, Last) <b>Lawrence Brink Watters</b>				12. MOTHER'S NAME (First, Middle, last name before first marriage) <b>Lois Mae Veeder</b>			
13a. INFORMANT'S NAME <b>Pamela Jo Crickson</b>		13b. RELATION TO DECEDENT <b>Daughter</b>		13c. MAILING ADDRESS (Street and Number or Rural Route Number, City or Town, State, Zip Code) <b>915 Palmer Street, Missoula, Montana 59802</b>			
18. METHOD OF DISPOSITION <input type="checkbox"/> Burial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cremation <input type="checkbox"/> Removal from State <input type="checkbox"/> Entombment <input type="checkbox"/> Donation <input type="checkbox"/> Other		19. PLACE OF DISPOSITION <b>Brothers Mortuary &amp; Crematory</b>		20. LOCATION (City or Town, State) <b>Hamilton, Montana</b>			
22. SIGNATURE OF FUNERAL SERVICE LICENSEE OR OTHER PERSON IN CHARGE OF DISPOSITION <b>Ronald E. Brothers CFSP</b>		23. MONTANA LICENSE NO (if licensee if applicable) <b>550</b>		21. NAME AND ADDRESS OF FUNERAL FACILITY <b>Brothers Mortuary &amp; Crematory, 1206 S 2nd St. Hamilton, Montana 59840</b>			
<b>ITEMS 24-28 MUST BE COMPLETED BY PERSON WHO PRONOUNCES OR CERTIFIES DEATH</b>					24. DATE PRONOUNCED DEAD (Month/Day/Year) <b>January 18, 2017</b>		
26. SIGNATURE OF PERSON PRONOUNCING DEATH (only when applicable) <b>Beth Ammons, MD</b>					25. TIME PRONOUNCED DEAD <b>09:45 Military</b>		
28. DATE SIGNED (Month/Day/Year) <b>January 26, 2017</b>					30. ACTUAL OR PRESUMED TIME OF DEATH <b>09:45 Military Actual</b>		27. LICENSE NUMBER <b>6894</b>
31. WAS MEDICAL EXAMINER OR CORONER CONTACTED? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No							
32. PART I. Enter the chain of events - diseases, injuries, or complications - that directly caused the death. DO NOT enter terminal events such as cardiac arrest, respiratory arrest, or ventilator fibrillation without knowing the etiology. DO NOT ABBREVIATE. Enter only one cause on a line. Add additional lines if necessary.							Approximate Interval: (Include Min, Hr, Day, Yrs, etc.)
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (Final disease or condition resulting in death) → a. <b>Hemorrhage</b> DUE TO (or as a consequence of):							<b>48 Hours</b>
Sequentially list conditions, if any, leading to the cause listed on line a. Enter the UNDERLYING CAUSE (disease or injury that initiated the events resulting in death) LAST.							
b. <b>Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm</b> DUE TO (or as a consequence of):							<b>10 Years</b>
c. <b>Hypertension</b> DUE TO (or as a consequence of):							<b>30 Years</b>
d.							
PART II Other significant conditions contributing to death but not resulting in the underlying cause given in Part I							
33. WAS AN AUTOPSY PERFORMED? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No							
34. WERE AUTOPSY FINDINGS AVAILABLE PRIOR TO COMPLETION OF CAUSE OF DEATH <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No							
37. MANNER OF DEATH <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Natural <input type="checkbox"/> Homicide <input type="checkbox"/> Accident <input type="checkbox"/> Pending investigation <input type="checkbox"/> Suicide <input type="checkbox"/> Could not be Determined		35. DID TOBACCO USE CONTRIBUTE TO DEATH? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Probably <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		36. IF FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/> Not pregnant within past year <input type="checkbox"/> Not pregnant, but pregnant within 42 days of death <input type="checkbox"/> Not pregnant, but pregnant 43 days to 1 year before death		<input type="checkbox"/> Pregnant at time of death <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown if pregnant within past year	
DATE OF INJURY (Month, Day, Year) 38.	TIME OF INJURY 39.	INJURED AT WORK 41. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	40. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g. Decedent's Home, Construction Site, Restaurant, Wooded Area)		44. IF TRAFFIC ACCIDENT SPECIFY <input type="checkbox"/> Driver/Operator <input type="checkbox"/> Pedestrian <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
43. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED					42. LOCATION (Street and Number or Rural Route, City, Town, State, Zip Code)		
45. TO BE COMPLETED BY CERTIFIER: (A certifier can be a MD, PA, APRN, or coroner) <input type="checkbox"/> Certifying Physician: To the best of my knowledge death occurred at the time, date, and place, and due to the cause(s) and manner stated. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pronouncing & Certifying physician: To the best of my knowledge death occurred at the time, date, and place, and due to the cause(s) and manner stated. <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Examiner/Coroner: On the basis of examination and/or investigation, in my opinion, death occurred at the time, date, and place, and due to the cause(s) and manner stated.					49. DATE CERTIFIED (Month, Day, Year) <b>January 26, 2017</b>		
SIGNATURE <b>Beth Ammons</b>					48. LICENSE NO <b>6894</b>		47. TITLE <b>MD</b>
46. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CERTIFIER (PHYSICIAN OR CORONER) <b>Beth Ammons 2687 Palmer St., Missoula, MT 59808</b>					LOCAL REGISTRAR'S NAME <b>Shyra Scott</b>		50. DATE FILED (Mo/Day/Yr) <b>February 01, 2017</b>

MT death record of Joan Croline Watters Smith

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## Leslie 'Les' Smith

MISSOULA – Leslie "Les" Smith, 70, of Missoula, passed away of cancer Monday, Feb. 12, 2001, at St. Patrick Hospital.



Les was born May 6, 1930, in Opheim to Jack and Blanche Smith. On Dec. 6, 1947, he married Joan Watters in Victor.

For several years he drove a logging truck for tree farms. He then was

employed by Missoula Cartage for 32 years and retired in 1994. After retirement, he and his wife Jo spent their winters in Arizona.

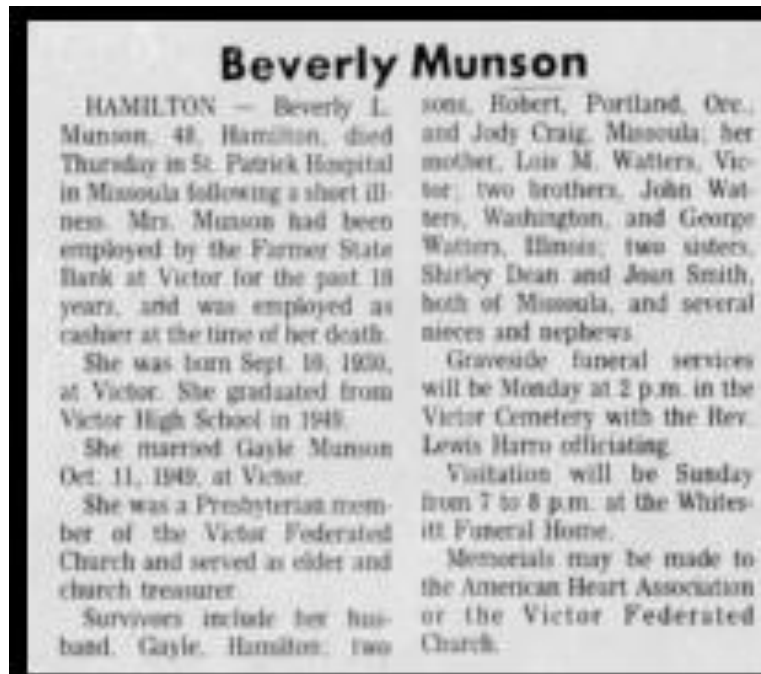
Les was a longtime member of the Elks.

Les will be remembered as a loving husband, father and friend. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

His parents, stepfather and a brother preceded him in death. Survivors include his wife Jo of Missoula; daughter Pam Erickson of Missoula; son Larry Smith and his wife, Billie, of Boring, Ore.; two granddaughters and their husbands; four great-grandchildren and many, many great friends.

At his request, no services will be held.

The family suggests memorials to Camp Mak-A-Dream, 3700 S. Russell St., Missoula, MT 59801.



Obituary of daughter Beverly Lou Watters Munson (1930-1979) – unsourced – Find A Grave 124561741



MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING  
 WRITE PLAINLY WITH UNFADING INK - THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD  
 N. B. In case of more than one child or a birth, a SEPARATE RETURN must be made for each, and the number of each, in order of birth, stated.

Form V. S. 7B-12M-7-29.

Duplicate for Clerk and Recorder

STATE OF MONTANA		DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE	
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH		3573	
State Board of Health			
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS			
Place of Birth	County of <u>Corvallis</u>		
Village or City of	<u>Victor</u>		
2. Full name of child	<u>Beverly Lou Watters</u>		
3. Sex	4. Twin, triplet, or other	6. Premature	7. Legitimate
<u>Female</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>no</u>	<u>yes</u>
5. Number, in order of birth	8. Date of birth <u>9-10-30</u>		
9. Full name	10. Residence (usual place of abode)		
<u>Lawrence Brink Watters</u>	<u>Victor</u>		
FATHER	MOTHER		
11. Color or race <u>White</u>	12. Age at last birthday <u>35</u>	13. Birthplace (city or place)	14. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as Spinner, Sawyer, Bookkeeper, etc.
<u>Victor Mont</u>	<u>White</u>	<u>Tobias Web</u>	<u>Housewife</u>
15. Industry or business in which work was done, as Silk Mill, Sawmill, Bank, etc.	16. Date (month and year) last engaged in this work	17. Total time (years) spent in this work	18. Date (month and year) last engaged in this work
<u>Mail carrier and rancher</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>6 years</u>
19. Residence (usual place of abode)	20. Color or race	21. Age at last birthday	22. Birthplace (city or place)
<u>Victor</u>	<u>White</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>Tobias Web</u>
23. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as Housekeeper, Typist, Nurse, Clerk, etc.	24. Industry or business in which work was done, as Own Home, Lawyer's Office, Silk Mill, etc.	25. Date (month and year) last engaged in this work	26. Total time (years) spent in this work
<u>Formerly Teacher</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>6 years</u>
27. Number of children of this mother (At time of this birth and including this child)	(a) Born alive and now living	(b) Born alive but now dead	(c) Stillborn
<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
28. If stillborn, period of gestation	29. Cause of stillbirth	30. Signature of attending physician or midwife	
<u>months</u>	<u>or weeks</u>	<u>Nallas</u>	
I hereby certify that I attended the birth of this child, who was <u>born alive at 7:10 a.m.</u> on the date above stated		(Signed) <u>Nallas</u> M. D.	
When there was no attending physician or midwife, then the father, householder, etc., should make this return.		Address <u>Corvallis, Mont.</u>	
Given name added from a supplemental report		Filed <u>Oct 1, 1930</u> <u>A. Hayward</u>	
(Date of)		Registrar	

MT birth record of Beverly Lou Watters -

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V. S. No. 18-5M-7-48 <b>Marriage License No.</b> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;">5471</div>		<b>RECORD FOR STATE REGISTRAR</b> <b>MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE</b> STATE OF MONTANA		<b>State File No.</b> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;">Rav. 922</div> Do Not Write in This Space	
1. County <u>Ravalli</u>		2. City <u>Hamilton</u>			
GROOM		BRIDE			
3. Name <u>Gayle Elton Munson</u>		11. Name <u>Beverly Lou Watters</u>			
4. Residence <u>Hamilton, Mont.</u>		12. Residence <u>Victor, Mont.</u>			
5. Birth Date <u>11/21/25</u> <small>Mo. Day Yr.</small>		6. Color <u>white</u>		13. Birth Date <u>9/10/30</u> <small>Mo. Day Yr.</small>	
14. Color <u>white</u>		15. Birth Date <u>9/10/30</u> <small>Mo. Day Yr.</small>			
7. Birth Place <u>Kelly, Mont.</u> <small>City or County State or Foreign Country</small>		16. Birth Place <u>Victor, Mont.</u> <small>City or County State or Foreign Country</small>			
8. Single, Widowed or Divorced _____ Number of Marriage <u>1</u>		17. Single, Widowed or Divorced _____ Number of Marriage <u>1</u>			
9. Father's Name <u>Morris J. Munson</u>		18. Father's Name <u>Lawrence B. Watters</u>			
10. Mother's Maiden Name <u>Lydia Otte</u>		19. Mother's Maiden Name <u>Lois Veeder</u>			
19. Date of issuance <u>Oct. 8, 1949</u> <small>Month Day Year</small>		20. Name of Person Performing Ceremony <u>Beryl L. Burr</u>			
21. Date of Marriage <u>Oct. 11, 1949</u> <small>Month Day Year</small>		22. Official Title <u>Minister</u> <small>Minister, Justice of Peace, or Other</small>			
23. Date forwarded to State Board of Health <u>Nov. 2, 1949</u>		24. Clerk of District Court <u>MARSHALL ANDERSON</u>			
(COURT SEAL)		By <u><i>Therese Shaw</i></u> Deputy			

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Bever; y Lou Watters Munson -  
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Father:

# G. I. Watters Old Resident Of Victor Dies

**Early Agent for N. P. in  
Valley Town. Postmaster  
At Time of Death.**

Victor, Jan. 11—(Special)—George I. Watters, aged 71 years, Victor postmaster and resident of this community for 44 years, died late Friday at a Missoula hospital after an extended illness.

Born in Kansas August 2, 1864, Mr. Watters later went to Wisconsin and came from there to Montana. In 1891 he came to Victor as depot agent for the Northern Pacific and January 5, 1892 was married to Louise Brink. He was agent for the railroad here for 10 years and in 1900 became associated with Joseph Appolonio in the Appolonio & Watters mercantile business. He was in the business 14 years and retired to go ranching on a farm he had purchased. In April, 1924 Mr. Watters was named postmaster and at the time of his death was still serving in that capacity.

Mr. Watters was the oldest past master of the local Masonic lodge and was a charter member of the lodge.

Mr. Watters is survived by his widow and five children. The children are Mrs. Charles D. Shirley, Huston, Texas; Mrs. R. L. Vandenburg, Genesee, Idaho; Mrs. E. G. Gillette, Bozeman; C. D. Watters, Okanogen, Wash., and Lawrence B. Watters, Victor. He is also survived by 15 grandchildren.

Funeral services will take place at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon at the family home and burial will be in the Victor cemetery. The Masonic fraternity will have charge of the graveside services.

Obituary of father George Ishmael Watters – "The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Sunday 12 Jan 1936 p 5

Mother:

**Notice to Creditors.**

Estate of Louise B. Watters, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned administrator of the estate of Louise B. Watters, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice to the said administrator at the office of O'Hara, Madeen & Grant, Hamilton, Montana, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate in the County of Ravalli, State of Montana.

Dated February 26, 1937.

LAWRENCE B. WATTERS,  
Administrator of the estate of  
Louise B. Watters, deceased. 9-5

Estate of mother - "Ravalli Republican" (Hamilton MT) Thursday 4 Mar 1937 p 7

Siblings:

# VICTOR WEDDING

Young Couple Married Here  
Wednesday Evening.

Miss Gladys Watters Became the  
Bride of Charles Shirley  
of Thousand Acres.

Victor, August 5.—Miss Gladys Watters, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Watters, and Charles Shirley, son of Mrs. Carrie Shirley, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony on Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. George A. Blair officiating. Only a few intimate friends of the family were present. Mr. Shirley is the foreman at camp two of the Thousand Acre ranch. Their many friends wish them happiness.

Wedding on 4 Aug 1915 of [sister Gladys Watters \(1893-1989\)](#) to Charles Dallas Shirley –  
“Ravalli Republic” (Hamilton MT) Friday 6 Aug 1915 p 5



## ***Miss Miriam Watters Weds Mr. Vandenburg***

Victor, Oct. 29.—Special.—The event of the week in Victor was the marriage Wednesday evening of Miss Miriam Watters to Richard L. Vandenburg of Genesee, Idaho. Promptly at 8 o'clock to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march played by Mrs. George Safley, the bridal party came down the stairway and through the parlors to the artistic canopy of kinikinick and autumn leaves, where they were met by the Rev. J. Wallace MacGowan, who read the impressiveservice which united the pair in the bonds of matrimony. The bride was charming in a gown of white crepe de chine and carried a bouquet

of pink chrysanthemums and white tube roses. The attendants were Miss Margaret Watters, sister of the bride, who was gowned in peach velveteen and carried chrysanthemums, and Lawrence Watters the bride's brother who acted as best man.

At the conclusion of the ceremony the couple faced the assembled guests, about 40 in number, and received congratulations. A two-course collation followed, which was served by the Misses Betty Dineen, Margaret Watters and Phyllis Laun.

The pyramidal bride's cake was cut by the bride and given to the guests as souvenirs of the happy occasion.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Watters, one of the old families of the Bitter Root valley and of New England lineage. She has been a teacher in Victor, Helena and Great Falls. Mr. Vandenburg is a young business man of Spokane, where they will make their new home. They left Thursday on their honeymoon trip, going first to the home of the groom's parents, Genesee, Idaho. The bride's going-away suit was a dark brown crepe with hat to match.

The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Patterson of Butte, old friends of the Watters family, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young of Hamilton.

Marriage of sister Miriam Watters (1896-1973) to Richard Leonard Vandenburg – "The Missoulian" (Missoula MT) Friday 30 Oct 1925 p 5 – with Lawrence as best man

## Mrs. Vandenburg Passes At Genesee, Idaho

Word has been received by Mrs. Lawrence Watters of Victor of the passing of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Richard (Marian) Vandenburg, at a hospital in Genesee, Idaho.

**Mrs. Vandenburg had been ill for about a week with flu and suffered a heart attack Tuesday. She was a daughter of the late G.I. Watters family, the first Victor depot agent in the early days of Victor.**

She was born in the depot which was then at the end of Main Street in August of 1897. She received her education in Victor schools, graduating here in the class of 1914.

She attended a teacher's college and taught elementary school at Lone Rock north of Stevensville on Three Mile and also at the Stockett-Sand Coulee (Montana) school. She married Richard Vandenburg in 1925 at her parent's home in Victor.

He worked as a garage mechanic at the Victor Garage and later in Missoula before moving to Idaho. He passed away several years ago in Genesee.

Mrs. Vandenburg is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Louise Smith, Portland, Ore., Doris at Lewiston, Idaho, Mrs. Jeanette Swene and Mrs. Margaret Baumgartner, both of Genesee; one son, Leonard of Orofino, Idaho; two sisters, Mrs. Gladys Shirley and Mrs. Margaret Olds both of Houston, Tex., and one brother, Dwight Watters, Joplin, Mo. A brother Lawrence, Victor, preceded her in death.

Obituary of Miriam Watters Vandenburg – "Ravalli Republic" (Hamilton MT) Thursday 15 Feb 1973 p 6

## Richard Vandenburg Dies in Idaho

VICTOR — Richard L. Vandenburg, 63, died Sunday at his home in Genesee, Idaho, following a lengthy illness. He had spent most of his life in Genesee, where he was born.

He was married to Miriam Watters of Victor at the home of her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Watters in 1925. They lived here and in Hamilton, Missoula and Spokane for five years before returning to Genesee.

He is survived by his widow, five children and six grandchildren. The children are Leonard Vandenburg, Jeanette Schweeney, Margaret Baumgartner and Doris Charpentier all of Genesee and Louise Smith of Portland. Also surviving are two brothers, one in Alaska and the other in Washington. Burial will be in Genesee.

Word was received here by Lawrence B. Watters, brother of Mrs. Vandenburg.

Obituary of Richard Vandenburg – “The Missoulian” (Missoula MT) Thursday 28 Apr 1955 p

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### U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014

[View record](#)

Name	Charles D. Watters
Social Security Number	516-03-9714
Birth Date	25 Jul 1900
Issue year	Before 1951
Issue State	Montana
Death Date	13 Dec 1991

Brother Charles Dwight Watters (1900-1991) - <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/89606303/person/48591278530/facts>

Watters Charles D(wight)		5,204,054	1	
(Surname)	(Christian name)	(Army serial number)	* White * Colored.	
Residence: Victor		MONTANA		
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* Enlisted * R. A. * N. G. * E. R. C. * Inducted at		Missoula Mont	on Oct 26, 1918	
Place of birth: Victor Mont		Age or date of birth: July 25 1900		
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Wounds or other injuries received in action: None.				
Served overseas from none to †, from † to †				
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In view of occupation he was, on date of discharge, reported 0 per cent disabled.				
Remarks:				
Form No. 724-1, A. G. O. * Strike out words not applicable. † Dates of departure from and arrival in the U. S. Nov. 22, 1919.				


MT WWI military record - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/42011:62068?tid=89606303&pid=48591278530&queryId=b4364a8184fa77f9aca71082e3259b7d&phsrc=hFB66226&phstart=successSource>



## Charles Dwight Watters

in the Washington, U.S., State Corrections and Jail Records, 1877-1970

Name	Charles Dwight Watters
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Birth Place	Montana
Criminal Date	10 Mar 1939
Criminal Place	City of Seattle, Washington, USA
Charge	Grand Larceny
Trial Place	Washington, USA
Sentencing Date	18 Apr 1939
Sentencing Place	Washington, USA
Admission Place	Washington, USA
Discharge Place	Washington, USA
Occupation	Auto Mechanic

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## U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014

View record

Name Margaret Olds  
 Social Security Number 517-24-7905  
 Birth Date 15 Nov 1910  
 Issue year Before 1951  
 Issue State Montana  
 Last Residence 77017, Houston, Harris, Texas, USA  
 Last Benefit 77052, Houston, Harris, Texas, USA  
 Death Date Oct 1975

Sister Margaret Watters Gillette Olds (1910-1975) - <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/89606303/person/48591278527/facts>

STATE OF TEXAS 101-01-1 101-01 U CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 4124 32 STATE FILE NO. 67875

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 d. NAME OF (If not in hospital, give street address) HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION 703 Evonne  
 e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived; if institution, residence before admission)  
 a. STATE Texas b. COUNTY Harris  
 c. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) Houston  
 d. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) 703 Evonne  
 e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐ f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒

3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print)  
 (a) First MARGARET (b) Middle WATTERS (c) Last OLDS  
 4. DATE OF DEATH September 18, 1975 (found)

5. SEX Female 6. COLOR OR RACE White 7. MARRIAGE STATUS Married ☐ Never Married ☐ Widowed ☐ Divorced ☒  
 8. DATE OF BIRTH November 15, 1910 9. AGE (In years last birthday) 64 10. IF UNDER 1 YEAR: Months Days Hours Minutes  
 11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Montana 12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? U.S.A.

13. FATHER'S NAME George I. Watters 14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Louise Brink  
 15. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 517-24-7905 16. INFORMANT John Reo Olds (son)

17. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).)  
 PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: Arteriosclerotic cardiovascular disease.  
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 25. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Forest Park East Cemetery  
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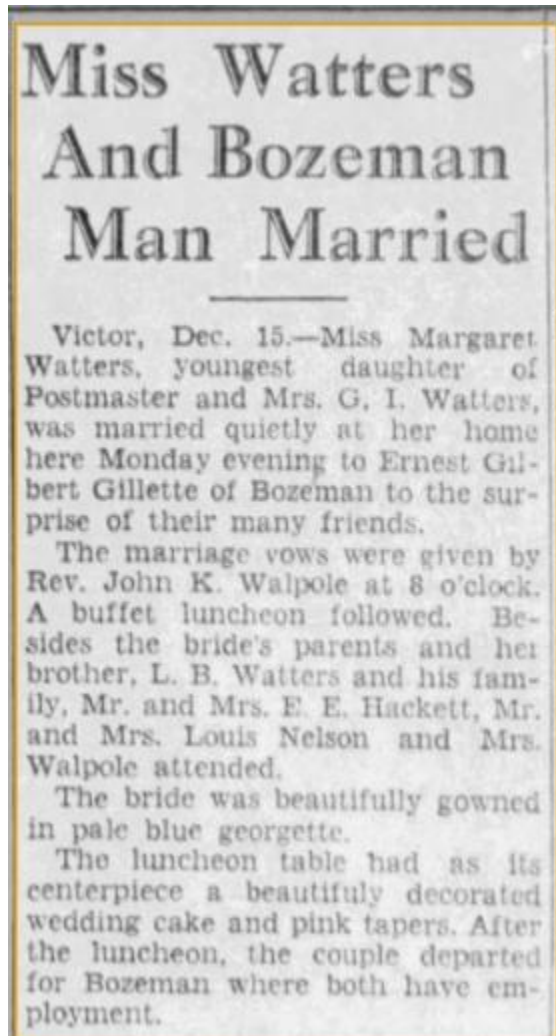
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TX death record of Margaret Watters Gillette Olds -

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Marriage of Margaret Watters & Ernest Gilbert Gillette – "The Missoulian" (Missoula MT)  
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## Margaret Olds

HOUSTON, Tex. — Mrs. Margaret Watters Olds, 64, Houston, a Missoula native and former Missoula resident, died Thursday in Houston,

Mrs. Olds had been a Houston resident for two years.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Karen Norrell, Fort Worth, Tex.; a son, John Reo

Olds, Houston; a sister, Mrs. Gladys Shirley, Houston; a brother, George Dewight Waters, in Washington state, and three grandchildren.

Graveside services will be at

noon Monday at the Forest Park East Cemetery with Rev. M. R. Massey officiating. Forest Park Lawndale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
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**STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH** *Book 3 Page 9-3*  
Registrar's No. 135 STATE OF MONTANA Bureau of Vital Statistics

<b>1. PLACE OF DEATH:</b> (a) County <u>Gallatin</u> (b) City or town <u>Francis, Mont.</u> (If outside city or town limits write Rural) (c) Name of hospital or institution: (If not in hospital or institution write street number or location) (d) Length of stay: In hospital or institution (Specify whether) In this community _____ years, months or days		<b>2. USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED:</b> (a) State <u>Mont.</u> (b) County <u>Gallatin</u> (c) City or town <u>Francis</u> (If outside city or town limits write Rural) (d) Street No. _____ (If rural give location) (e) If foreign born, how long in U. S. A. ? _____ years	
<b>3 (a) FULL NAME</b> <u>Gilbert Gillette</u>			
<b>3 (b) If veteran,</b> name war _____		<b>3 (c) Social Security</b> No. <u>517-01-4051</u>	
<b>4. Sex</b> <u>M</u> <b>5. Color or</b> <u>W</u>	<b>6. (a) Single, widowed, mar-</b> <b>ried, divorced</b> <u>Married</u>		
<b>6 (b) Name of husband or wife</b> <u>Margaret Gillette</u>		<b>6 (c) Age of husband or wife</b> if alive _____ years if deceased <u>Nov. 21 1902</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)	
<b>7. Birth date of deceased</b> (Month) (Day) (Year)			
<b>8. AGE:</b> Years <u>40</u> Months <u>1</u> Days <u>5</u> If less than one day hr. _____ min. _____			
<b>9. Birthplace</b> <u>Evansville, Ind.</u> (City, town or county) (State or foreign country)			
<b>10. Usual occupation</b> <u>Electrician</u>			
<b>11. Industry or business</b> <u>Milwaukee Railway</u>			
<b>12. Name</b> <u>James W. Gillette</u>			
<b>13. Birthplace</b> <u>Unknown</u> (City, town or county) (State or foreign country)			
<b>14. Maiden name</b> <u>Georgia Simpson</u>			
<b>15. Birthplace</b> <u>Unknown</u> (City, town or county) (State or foreign country)			
<b>16 (a) Informant's own signature</b> <u>Margaret W. Gillette</u>			
<b>(b) Address</b> <u>Francis, Mont.</u>			
<b>17 (a)</b> <u>buried</u> <b>(b) Date thereof</b> <u>12-30-42</u> (Burial, cremation, or removal) (Month) (Day) (Year)			
<b>(c) Place: burial or cremation</b> <u>Sunset Hills Cem.</u>			
<b>18 (a) Signature of funeral director</b> <u>H. H. Dokken</u>			
<b>(b) Address</b> <u>Bozeman, Mont.</u>			
<b>19 (a)</b> <u>12-29-42</u> <b>(b)</b> <u>A. D. Brewer</u> (Date rec'd local registrar) (Registrar's signature)			
THE UNITED PUBLISHERS, BATES, MONTANA.			
<b>20. Date of death:</b> Month <u>Dec.</u> day <u>26</u> year <u>1942</u> hour <u>3:30</u> minute <u>PM</u>		<b>21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from</b> _____, 19____, to _____, 19____; that I last saw h. _____ alive on _____, 19____; and that death occurred on the date and hour stated above.	
<b>MEDICAL CERTIFICATION</b> <u>Coronary Thrombosis</u> <u>Hypertension</u>		<b>DURATION</b>    	
Due to _____ Due to _____ Other conditions _____ (Include pregnancy within 3 months of death)		<b>PHYSICIAN</b> Underline the cause to which death should be charged sta- tistically.	
<b>22. If death was due to external causes, fill in the following:</b> (a) Accident, suicide, or homicide (specify) _____ (b) Date of occurrence _____ (c) Where did injury occur? _____ (City or town) (County) (State) (d) Did injury occur in or about home, on farm, in industrial place, in public place? _____ (Specify type of place) While at work? _____ (e) Means of injury _____ <b>23. Signature</b> <u>L. L. Maillat</u> (M. D. or other) Address <u>Three Forks, Mont.</u> Date signed <u>12-26-42</u>			

MT death record of Margaret's husband Ernest Gilbert Gillette -

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Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin



**Name: Lawrence Brink Watters**

Name variations: Laurence

Military:

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

Serial number: 250,428

Entered service from: Victor, Ravalli MT

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Lawrence B. Watters

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father G.I. Watters, Victor MT

Returned from war on: Santa Paula" May 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Lawrence B. Watters

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father George I. Waters,[sic] Victor MT (cpl, 16th Co., 20th Engrs, Forestry)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Lawrence Brink Watters - b. 13 Apr 1895 Victor MT; res: Victor, Ravalli MT. single. Farmer, G.I. Watters, 1 ½ miles west of Victor MT. Military experience: private, Infantry, 6 months, Montana National Guard C "A". Medium height & build.

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): Victor MT

World War II draft registration (1942): as Lawrence Brink Watters - b. 13 Apr 1895 Victor MT; res: Victor, Ravalli MT. NOK Mrs. Lois M. Watters, same address. "operation scar – appendicitis" – Height: 5'6 ½" – 152 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted: 12 Dec 1917 -

Discharged: 10 Jun 1919

Address: Victor MT

Rank/unit: corporal, 16<sup>th</sup> Co., 20<sup>th</sup> Engineers

Birth & death:

Born: 13 Apr 1895 Victor, Ravalli MT

Died: 18 Sep 1961 Missoula, Missoula MT (while visiting his daughter Mrs. Leslie Smith) (Find A Grave states place of death as Silver Bow Co. MT) (family genealogy: death date of 16 Sep 1961)

Find A Grave record: 125629785 – presence on Tuscania indicated in flower

Burial location: Victor, Ravalli MT

Cemetery: Victor

Tombstone: veteran flat: Montana Cpl 20 Engineers WWI

Father: George Ishmael Watters, 2 Aug 1864 America City, Nemaha KS – 10 Jan 1936

Missoula, Missoula MT. Son of Charles Daniel Watters & Ellen E. Lawrence. His mother

Ellen was a relative of Commander James Lawrence, of the USS "Chesapeake," who said as he lay dying, "Don't give up the ship!" Buried in Victor Cemetery, Victor, Ravalli MT.

Find A Grave: 30893846

Mother: Louise Ella Brink Watters, 21 Aug 1869 Red Wing, Goodhue MN – 27 Nov 1936 Genesee, Latah ID. Daughter of Charles R. Brink (Brincks) & Lucinda S. Hill [also found as Anna Reineke]. Her father was a contractor/builder on the Union Depot of St. Paul, Ramsey MN. Buried in Victor Cemetery, Victor, Ravalli MT.

Find A Grave: 30893859

Parents' marriage: 5 Jan 1891 Red Wing, Goodhue MN

Spouse: Lois Mae/May Veeder Watters, 31 Dec 1930 Tobias, Saline NE -23 Aug 1983 Victor, Ravalli MT. Daughter of James H. Veeder & May M. Moore. Buried in Victor Cemetery, Victor, Ravalli MT.

Spouse Find A Grave: 125629791

Marriage: 25 Apr 1925 Victor, Ravalli MT

Children: survived by 5 children

- George Henry Watters, 17 May 1926 Victor, Ravalli MT – 14 Jul 2020 Trivoli, Peoria IL. Resident of IL when his father died in 1961. Married Phyllis J. Kelley (1929-2009, F: 34694722) on 11 Jan 1952. Buried in Saint John's Lutheran Cemetery, Bartonville, Peoria IL. F: 213131778
- Shirley Mae Watters Dean, 11 Aug 1927 Victor, Ravalli MT - . Married Charles Edgar Dean (30 Aug 1923 Melrose MT – 19 Nov 2018 Missoula, Missoula MT, cremated, burial details unknown, F: 220038156) on 15 Sep 1946 in Victor, Ravalli MT. Charles was the son of John Christian Dean & Katherine Francis Wold. Shirley was alive as of Jul 2020.
- John William (Jack) Watters, 27 Sep 1928 Victor, Ravalli MT – 20 Jan 2012 Forsyth, Rosebud MT. - Married Myrtle J. Mattson (1926-1978, F: 125629796) on 1 May 1949. – Married Sandra Flint in May 1981; she preceded him in death. – Buried in Victor Cemetery, Victor, Ravalli MT. F: 83931455
- Joan Carolyn/Caroline ("Jo") Watters Smith, 17 Aug 1929 MT – 18 Jan 2017 Missoula, Missoula MT. Wife of Leslie Ray Smith (6 May 1930 Opheim MT – 12 Feb 2001 Missoula Co. MT), the son of Jack Lester Smith & Blanche Samuelson. Leslie's body was cremated. - Her father died at her house in Missoula, Missoula MT.
- Beverly Lou Watters Munson, 18 Sep 1930 Victor, Ravalli MT - 4 Jan 1979 Missoula, Missoula MT. Married Gayle Elton Munson (1925-2018, F: 213136081) on 11 Oct 1949 at Victor, Ravalli MT. Buried in Victor Cemetery, Victor, Ravalli MT. F: 124561741

Siblings: survived by 3 sisters & 1 brother

- Gladys Watters Shirley, 3 Sep 1893 Ravalli Co. MT – 17 Apr 1989 Harris Co. TX. Married in Ravalli Co. MT on 4 Aug 1915 to Charles Dallas Shirley (1886-1947, F: 185726989). Buried in Forest Park Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX. F: 231092431
- Miriam W. Watters Vandenburg, 10 Jul 1896 Victor, Ravalli MT – 11 Feb 1973 Moscow, Latah ID. Married 28 Oct 1925 to Richard Leonard Vandenburg (1892-

1955, F: 25387524). Buried in Genesee City Cemetery, Genesee, Latah ID. F: 25387459

- Charles Dwight Watters, 25 Jul 1900 Victor, Ravalli MT – 13 Dec 1991. Married on 14 Mar 1922 in Ephrata, Grant WA to Lucile Rifenberg (1903 IA – 1973 WA, F: 142179237). In the 1930 census for Weiser, Washington Co. ID, Charles D. Watters (29 MT) lived with wife Lucile (26 IA) & their 3 children. He was an auto mechanic. He said his parents were born in MN & he was a WWI veteran, married for the 1<sup>st</sup> time at age 21. Lucile said she was age 18 at her 1<sup>st</sup> marriage. Lucile later married Beuford Maxwell Loe (1900-1987). – Charles was arrested 10 Mar 1939 on a charge of grand larceny (“bad checks”) and was sentenced to 6 months on 18 Apr 1939. He was age 40, 5’ 2 ½”, 138 pounds. – In the 1950 census for San Diego, San Diego CA, Charles D. Watters, 54 MT, separated, lives at 215 Orange Ave. & works as an auto mechanic. – According to Ancestry.com family trees, he also married a woman named Eva Mae.
- Margaret Watters Gillette Olds, 15 Nov 1910 Victor, Ravalli MT – 18 Sep 1975 Houston, Harris TX. – She was listed as Mrs. E.G. Gillette of Bozeman MT in Jan 1936 when her father died. – Margaret Watters married on 10 Dec 1934 in Victor, Ravalli MT to Ernest Gilbert Gillette (1902 IN – 1942 MT). Ernest is buried in Sunset Hills Cemetery, Bozeman, Gallatin MT, F: 51223788. – On 19 Jul 1946 in Cherokee Co. TX, Margaret Gillette gave birth to a son named John Reo Gillette. Obviously he was not the son of her deceased husband, and his surname becomes Olds later. – Margaret marries a man named Olds. Her TX death certificate lists her as Margaret Olds, divorced. In 1950, however, Margaret W. Olds, 39 MT, housekeeper for a private residence, lists herself as widowed. Living with her is her son John R. Olds, age 3, b. TX. – Buried in Forest Park East Cemetery, Webster, Harris TX. F: 229738273

#### Notes:

There are thousands of articles on Newspapers.com found by choosing newspapers published in Montana and linking this to Lawrence B. Watters – Lawrence Watters – L.B. Watters. Only a few are copied above.

Pre-war:

Wartime:

Post-war:

Obituary:

Social Security number: 721-09-4351

## Censuses:

1900 Ravalli Co. MT – conducted 4 Jun 1900 – son Charles Dwight Watters to be born 25 Jul 1900

George I. Watters, 35 KS, Aug 1864, father b. VA, mother b. VT, married 8 years, merchant  
 Louisa B., 30 MN, Aug 1869, father b. PA, mother b. MA, gave birth to 3 children, 3 are living  
 Gladys, 5 MT, Sep 1895

Miriam, 3 MT, Aug 1896 [this appears to read another year]

Lawrence B., 3 MT, Mar 1897

1910 Corvallis, Ravalli MT – conducted 18 Apr 1910 – daughter Margaret to be born 15 Nov 1910

George I. Watters, 45 KS, father b. VA, mother b. VT, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, married 18 years, merchant, general merchandise store

Louisa, 40 MN, father b. NJ, mother b. NH, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, housework, at home, gave birth to 4 children, 4 are living

Gladys, 16 MT

Lawrence, 15 MT

Miriam, 13 MT

Dwight, 9 MT

1920 Victor, Ravalli MT

George I. Watters, 55 KS, father b. VA, mother b. VT, mail carrier, rural route

Louise B., 50 MN, father b. NJ, mother b. NH

Lawrence B., 24 MT, laborer, general farm

Dwight C., 19 MT, laborer, working out

Margaret, 9 MT

1930 Corvallis, Ravalli MT – Pleasant View Rd.

Lawrence B. Watters, 33 MT, father b. KS, mother b. MN, age 29 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, mail carrier, US mail, WWI veteran

Lois M., 25 NE, parents b. MO, age 21 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage

George H., 3 MT

Shirley M., 2 MT

John W., 1 MT

Joan, zero MT [8 months was crossed through]

1940 Corvallis, Ravalli MT – in same house in 1935

Lawrence B. Watters, 46 MT, US mail carrier, rural route

Lois M., 39 NE

George H., 14 MT

Shirley M., 13 MT

John W., 12 MT

Joan C., 12 MT

Beverly L., 11 MT

1950 cannot locate