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The research has not been completed, so there may be errors and omissions.

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Please return to Tuscania1918.org in the future to see if a revised and
finalized version is available.

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

TUSCANIA

Kitti, Eli Walter
1894 MI – 1949 MI

KITTI ELI WALTER		c XC6342141
Wagoner 107 Eng Tr 32 Div		K
Oskar Mich		A 1 307 021
Sn 251 707	Died 8 22 49	T 405 852
Born 11/7/94		R
Enl 9/20/17	Dls 5/27/19	CL 73 088
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U. S. VETERANS BUREAU MAIL AND RECORDS Form 7202—Rev. Sept., 1925		dc INDEX CARD 2-13902

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS1R-D83H-C?cc=2968245&personUrl=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3AQPTV-QNCX>

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

1 PLACE OF DEATH				MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Division of Vital Statistics	
County <u>Houghton</u>		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 31 3929			
Township <u>Stanton</u>		Register No. <u>62</u>			
Village _____		(No. <u>Oskar</u> St. _____ Ward _____)			
City _____		(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)			
2 FULL NAME <u>Edward Kittti</u>					
(a) Residence No. <u>Oskar</u>		St., Ward _____			
(Usual place of abode)		If non-resident give city, township and state			
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred <u>38</u> yrs. mos. ds.		How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? <u>50</u> yrs. mos. ds.			
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS				MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3 SEX <u>Male</u>	4 Color or Race <u>White</u>	5 Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced (WRITE the word) <u>Married</u>		16 DATE OF DEATH (Month, day and year) <u>November 26, 1929</u>	
5a If married, widowed or divorced HUSBAND of _____ (or) WIFE of <u>Hanna Kittti</u>				17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from _____, 19____, to <u>Nov 26</u> , 19____, and that I last saw him alive on <u>Nov 26</u> , 19____, and that death occurred on the date stated above at <u>10 P. M.</u>	
6 DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day and year) <u>November 3, 1859</u>				The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>Chronic Myocarditis</u>	
7 AGE <u>70</u> Years	Months <u>None</u>	Days <u>23</u>	IF LESS than 1 day, hrs. _____ min. _____		
8 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work <u>Farmer</u>				(duration) _____ yrs. mos. ds.	
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) <u>General Farming</u>				CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) _____	
(c) Name of employer. <u>Himself</u>				(duration) _____ yrs. mos. ds.	
9 BIRTHPLACE (city or town) <u>Karunki, Finland</u> (State or country)				18 Where was disease contracted If not at place of death? _____	
10 NAME OF FATHER <u>John Kittti</u>				Did an operation precede death? <u>no</u> Date of _____	
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (city or town) <u>Finland</u> (State or country)				Was there an autopsy? <u>no</u>	
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Maria Rauvi</u>				What test confirmed diagnosis? _____	
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (city or town) <u>Finland</u> (State or country)				(Signed) <u>H. E. Johnson</u> , M. D. <u>Nov. 29th 1929</u> , Address <u>Parkside</u>	
14 Informant <u>E. L. W. Kittti</u> (Address) <u>Oskar, Michigan</u>				*State the Disease Causing Death, or in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means and Nature of Injury, and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal.	
15 Filed <u>12/6</u> <u>1929</u> Registrar <u>H. L. Seltman</u>				(See reverse side for further instructions.)	
19 PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL <u>Oskar, Michigan</u>				Date of Burial <u>Nov. 30, 1929</u>	
20 UNDERTAKER <u>Victor Kattia</u>				Address <u>Nauvok</u>	

MI death certificate of his father Edward Kittti -

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/60872/images/44471_355150-00440?pid=1693720

Event Type	Military Service
Name	Eli W. Kitt
Event Date	21 Sep 1917
Event Place	Houghton, Michigan, United States
Event Place (Original)	Houghton
Residence Place	Oskar, Houghton
Birth Date	7 Nov 1894
Birthplace	Oskar
Military Unit Note	107 Engineers 32 Div
Father's Name	Edward Kitt
Mother's Name	Hannah Kitt

MI Census of WWI Veterans - <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QPPC-76PY>

Eli Walter Kitti

in the Michigan, U.S., Death Records, 1867-1952

Name:	Eli Walter Kitti
Gender:	Male
Race:	White
Marital status:	Single
Death Age:	54
Birth Date:	7 Nov 1894
Birth Place:	Oskar, Michigan
Death Date:	22 Aug 1949
Death Place:	Hancock, Houghton, Michigan, USA
Father:	Edward Kitti
Mother:	Hannah liru
File Number:	003780

https://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/sse.dll?indiv=1&dbid=60872&h=2474570&tid=163531843&pid=132288439845&queryId=c7828923908a92698b01835aef503569&usePUB=true&_phsrc=hFB22684&_phstart=successSource

ORIGINAL

APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE OR MARKER
(Please make out and return in duplicate)

Don. male.

CHECK TYPE REQUIRED (See instructions attached) ☐ UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE ☐ UPRIGHT GRANITE HEADSTONE ☐ FLAT MARBLE MARKER ☒ FLAT GRANITE MARKER	ENLISTMENT DATE Sept. 21, 1917	SERIAL No. 251707	EMBLEM (CHECK ONE) ☒ CHRISTIAN ☐ HEBREW ☐ NONE
	DISCHARGE DATE May 27, 1919 <i>Don.</i>	PENSION No.	
NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL) Kittie Eli W.	STATE Michigan	RANK Pvt. <i>1st Lt.</i>	U. S. REGIMENT, STATE ORGANIZATION, OR VESSEL 107th Engineer 32 Division
DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) Nov. 7, 1894	DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) Aug. 22, 1949	DIVISION <i>Engine 32</i>	
NAME OF CEMETERY Oskar Cemetery	LOCATION (CITY AND STATE) Houghton County, Michigan		
SHIP TO (I CERTIFY THE APPLICANT FOR THIS STONE HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH ME TO TRANSPORT THE STONE FROM THE FREIGHT STATION TO THE CEMETERY) <i>Eino Kitti</i> Eino Kitti (SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE)	NEAREST FREIGHT STATION (CITY AND STATE) Houghton, Michigan		
POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE Star Route Houghton, Mich.			
DO NOT WRITE HERE FOR VERIFICATION JUN 27 1950 ORDERED Columbus, Miss. 20 SEP 1950 B/L 3652521 SHIPPED		I certify this application is submitted for a stone for the unmarked grave of a veteran. I hereby agree to assume all responsibility for the removal of the stone promptly upon arrival at destination, and properly place it at the decedent's grave at my expense.	
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE <i>Eino Kitti</i>		DATE OF APPLICATION June 21, 1950	
ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE) Star Route Houghton, Michigan		IMPORTANT—Complete reverse side	

OQMG Form 623 (Rev. 15 Mar. 1945) *Reqs. Dec-m 58 July 50 OAC.*

GPO 16-11453-4

veteran headstone application -

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2375/images/40050_2421401697_0406-00743?pld=135820

LASSILA
EDWARD D., April 22, age 76. Beloved husband of Amilia (Millie); dear father of Mrs. Robert (Shirley) Erickson, and Mrs. John (Beatrice) Proctor; brother of William, and Mrs. Emil (Helmi) Nivala; also five grandchildren. Member of Kismet Lodge No. 489 F.&A.M., and Knights of Kaleva. Funeral services Wednesday 1:30 p.m. from the Memorial Funeral Home, 20226 W. McNichols.

Obituary of Edward Doivo Lassila, the wife of his sister Amilia Kittie Lassila – "Detroit (MI) Free Press" Tuesday 24 Apr 1973 p 29

No. 311 **Marriage License** 31 3609
19 35
Houghton County, Michigan

To any person legally authorized to solemnize marriage,
Greeting:
Marriage May Be Solemnized Between

Mr. Eino Kittl and Miss Helen Wayrynen

affidavit having been filed in this office, as provided by Public Act No. 128, Laws of 1897, as amended, by which it appears that said

Eino Kittl is 35 years of age,
color is White, residence is Oskar, Michigan, and birthplace was
Stanton Twp., Michigan, occupation is Smelter, father's name
Edward Kittl, and mother's maiden name was Anna Wru
has been previously married No time 0; and that said Helen Wayrynen
is 29 years of age, color is White, residence is Oskar, Michigan and
birthplace was Stanton Twp., Michigan, occupation is At home, father's name
Matt Wayrynen, and mother's maiden name was Gustava Branner
and who has been previously married No time 0, and whose maiden name was
_____, and whose Parent's or Guardian's consent, in case she
has not attained the age of eighteen years, has been filed in my office.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto attached my hand and the
seal of Houghton County, Michigan, this 15th
day of October, A. D. 19-35.
Fred W. Barrett
By: Chas. Walstrom
Deputy County Clerk

L. S.

Certificate of Marriage

Between Mr. Eino Kittl and Miss Helen Wayrynen

I hereby certify that, in accordance with the above license, the persons herein mentioned were joined
in marriage by me, at Hancock County of Houghton, Michigan,
on the 15th day of October, A. D. 19 35, in the presence
of William Wayrynen, of Oskar, Mich.
and Wayne Vuori, of Kearsarge, Mich.
Chas. Walstrom, of Atlantic Mine, Mich.
as witnesses. Rose Tikkanen, of Oskar, Mich.
A. Haapanen
Name of Magistrate or Clergyman.
Finnish Lutheran Pastor
Official Title

This copy is to be retained by the County Clerk until the original is returned; then it is to be completed by endorsement and forwarded on the first of the following month to the Michigan Department of Health.

Marriage certificate of brother Eino Kittl & Helen Wayrynen -

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/9093/images/41326_342170-00044?treeid=163531843&personid=132288439751&hintid=&queryId=a1cd36877a4fa5f2bed400d12e56a1c8&usePUB=true&phsrc=hFB22680&phstart=successSource&usePUBJs=true&pld=2060891

Michigan Smelter

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Coordinates: 47°12′61″N 88°6′236″W﻿ / ﻿

The **Michigan Smelter** was a **copper smelter** located at Cole's Creek on the **Keweenaw Waterway** north-west of **Houghton, Michigan** near the old **Atlantic mill**. The smelter was created in 1903-4 as a joint effort between the **Copper Range Company** and Stanton group of mines. An Atlantic dam on the site was reused by the smelter as a water source.^[1] In 1905, the smelter broke a world record by casting 292,000 pounds of fine copper in seven hours with a single furnace and only ten men.^[1] The smelter operated through World War II^[2] and stopped all operations in 1948.^[3]

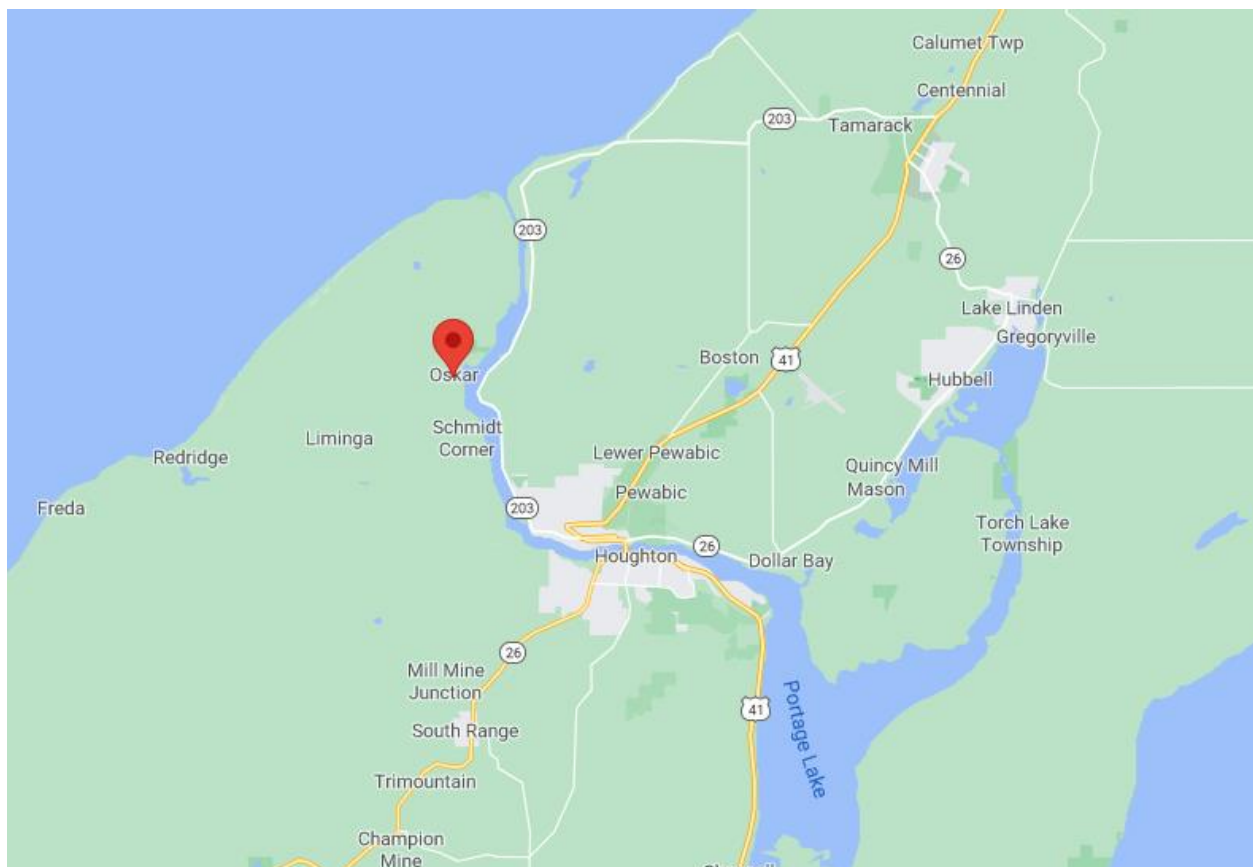


The Michigan Smelter between 1900 and 1906

The smelter was designed by Frank Klepetko and was the most modern plant in the district.^[4] The nearby hillside was used to improve its efficiency of its operation.^[5] The smelter had a capacity of 90 million pounds annually and was the largest and most efficient on Lake Superior.^[5]

Several mills sent material to the Michigan Smelter including the **Champion**, **Trimountain** and **Baltic** mills via the **Copper Range Railroad**. Product originated from the **Atlantic**, **Baltic**, **Champion**, **Trimountain**, **Michigan**, **Mohawk**, and **Wolverine** mines.^[6] They delivered the mineral in 40-ton bottom-dumping cars^[6] and the product from each mine was kept separate from the others.^[5]

The copper smelter where Eli worked - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Michigan_Smelter



Oskar, Houghton Co. MI, on Upper Peninsula

Name: Eli Walter Kitt

Name variations: surname also Allakitti

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Eng. - private

Serial number: 251,707

Entered service from: Oskar, Houghton MI

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Eli W. Kitti

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father Edward Kitti, Oskar MI

Returned from war on: "Haverford" May 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Eli W. Kitti

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father Edward Kitti, Oskar MI (indexed as Deward on Fold3, but correct on original form)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Eli W. Kitti - b. 7 Nov 1894 Oskar MI; res: Oskar, Houghton MI. Single. Dependent father & mother. Teamster, Frank Eilola, Oskar MI. Medium height & build.

World War II draft registration (1942): as Eli Walter Kitti - b. 7 Nov 1894 Oskar MI; res: Route 1, Oskar, Houghton MI. NOK Eino Kitti, Oskar MI. Employed at Copper Range Smelting Dept., Cole's Creek MI. Height: 5'9" – 200 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 20 Sep 1917

Discharged 27 May 1919

Address: Oskar MI

Rank/unit: wagoner, 107th Engineer Train, 32nd Division

Birth & death:

Born: 7 Nov 1894 Oskar, Houghton MI

Died: 22 Aug 1949 Hancock, Houghton MI

Find A Grave record: 71443139, presence on Tuscania noted in text

Burial location: Houghton Co. MI

Cemetery: Oskar

Tombstone: veteran flat: Wagoner 107 Eng Tn 32 Div WWI

Father: Edward Kitti, 3 Nov 1859 Karunki, Lappi, Finland – 26 Nov 1929 Stanton township, Houghton MI. Son of John/Sakeri Kitti & Maria Rauvi/Rauii, both born Finland. Farmer. Died of chronic myocarditis. Buried in Oskar Cemetery, Houghton Co. MI.

Find A Grave: 33793335

Mother: Hanna/Hannah Iruu/Irii Kitti, 20 Nov 1865 Finland – 8 Apr 1933 Houghton Co. MI. Died of uterine cancer. Buried in Oskar Cemetery, Houghton MI.

Find A Grave: 33793446

Parents' marriage: 1893

Spouse:

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage:

Children:

Siblings:

- Amilia ("Millie") Kitti Lassila, 8 Aug 1896 Oskar, Houghton MI – 8 Dec 1978 Berkley or Clawson, Oakland MI. Spelled Amilia on her birth & death records, also found as Amelia. Wife of Edward Doivo Lassila (20 Apr 1897 – 22 Apr 1973 Detroit MI). In 1940 Edward (43) & Emila (43) live with their 2 teenage daughters in Highland Park, Wayne MI.

- Eino Kitti, 18 Aug 1900 Oskar, Houghton MI – 1959. Husband of Helen G. Wayrynen (1906-1975, F: 33793457), the daughter of Matti Erikpoika & Matilda Gustava Wayrynen. Eino & Helen married 19 Oct 1935 in Hancock, Houghton MI when he was age 35 & she age 29. Buried in Oskar Cemetery, Houghton Co. MI. F: 33793410

Notes: <https://www.geni.com/people/Eli-Walter-Kitti/6000000164041407821>

Pre-war:

Wartime:

“Lansing (MI) State Journal” Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1 – the War Department added 24 additional names of survivors on Sunday night, among them Eli W. Kitti, private, 107th Engineers Train, of Oskar MI

Post-war:

Obituary:

“Detroit (MI) Free Press” Tuesday 30 Aug 1949 p 11 – Michigan deaths include, in Oskar MI, Eli W. Kitti, age 54.

Social Security number: 379-09-4312

Censuses:

1900 Hancock, Houghton MI – conducted 9 Jun 1900 [son Eino will be born 18 Aug 1900]
Edward KITTE, 40 Finland, Dec 1859, parents b. Finland, married 7 years, emigrated 1882, in US for 18 years, naturalized, laborer
Hannah, 36 Finland, Nov 1863, parents b. Finland, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living
Eli, 5 MI, Nov 1894
Milia, 3 MI, Aug 1896 [indexed as Milsa]
& lodger John Hakari, details unknown, b. Finland, parents b. Finland, emigrated 1887, in US for 13 years

1910 Stanton, Houghton MI

Edward KITTIE, 51 Finland, parents b. Finland, in 1st marriage, married 17 years, emigrated 1880, papers filed, laborer
Hannah, 44 Finland, parents b. Finland, in 1st marriage, gave birth to 3 children, 3 are living
Felix, 15 MI, choring [Eli Walter]
Millie, 13 MI
Aino, 10 MI
& 2 boarders, both b. Finland, both laborers – Alexander Maikka (35) & Isaac Seppanen (52)

1920 Stanton, Houghton MI

Edward Kitti, 60 Finland, parents b. Finland, emigrated 1880, naturalized 1917
Hannah, 55 Finland, parents b. Finland, emigrated 1890, naturalized 1917
Eli W., 25 MI, single, teamster, general farm

1930 Hancock, Houghton MI – 1229 Quincy St. – on page 9A of census schedule, with reference back to page 7A

Eli Kitt, 35 MI, single, laborer, copper smelting works, lodger

Eino Kitt, 29 MI, single, laborer, copper smelting works, lodger

On page 9A Eli & Eino are listed with 3 daughters & 2 sons named Olilla/Ollia. There is a note to refer back to page 7A, where Hilda Olilla & another of her sons is listed. Intervening, on page 8, is a listing of several religious nuns, student nurses, patients & servants. It appears the census enumerator skipped a page and then filled it in.

1940 Stanton, Houghton MI – same house in 1935

Eino Kitt, 45 MI, laborer, Copper Range Smelts

Helen, 33 MI [wife]

Dorothy, 3 MI [daughter]

Eli, 45 MI, single, laborer, Copper Range Smelts [brother]