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Abbreviations:

b = born

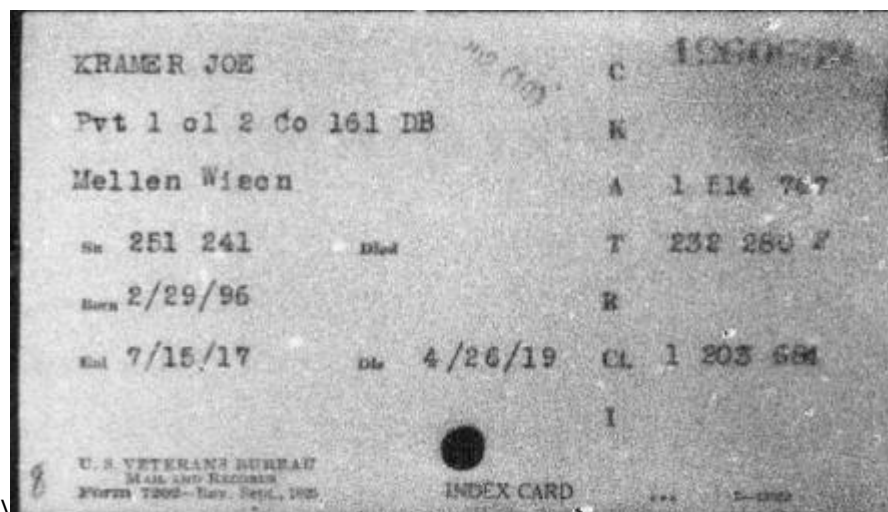
d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

TUSCANIA

Kramer, Joe / Kramer, Joseph 1896 WI – 1981 WI



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Joe Kramer. (G)

MILITARY HISTORY

Time and Place of Each Enlistment	Rank	Company and Regiment	Time and Place of Discharge	Cause of Discharge	Disabilities when Admitted to the Home
Jul 11, 1917 Mellen Wis	Priv.	Co. F. 101 st Inf.	Apr. 26, 1919 Camp Grant Ill Priv 1/2	How.	1678 Insidious Chv.

DOMESTIC HISTORY

Where Born	Age	Height	Complexion	Color of Eyes	Color of Hair	Read and Write	Religion	Occupation	Residence Subsequent to Discharge	Married or Single	Name and Address of Nearest Relative
Wis	35		White	Blue	Brown	Yes	Prot.		Mellen Wis.	Mar.	Wife Marie Kramer Mellen Wis

HOME HISTORY

Rate of Pension	Date of Admission Re-Admission and Transfer	Conditions of Re-Admission	Date of Discharge and Transfer	Cause of Discharge	Date of Death	Cause of Death
	Adm. 7.20.17		Jan 30 1933	Discharge		

US National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Milwaukee WI -

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			Marie Hoglund	19	"	"	Mason	Type Setter
Frank Kramer			John Lerch	No	"	9	"	Bessamer
John Hoglund			Anna Nelson	No				
W.J. Haggerson			John Livemore Jr					Bessamer
Justice of the Peace			John Ball					"

marriage record Joe Kramer & Marie Hoglund - [https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:33S7-9P82-](https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:33S7-9P82-8TX?i=388&cc=1916230&personaUrl=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3AVH4V-72D)

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MEMBERS		BORN							BAPTIZED			CONFIRMED	
NAME	Place or Parish	County	State or Country	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year	When	Knowledge		
Joe Kramer	Rib Lake	Taylor	Wis.	2	29	1896							
L.W. Marie	Mason	Bayfield	Wis.	2	26	1901			yes.		yes.		
S. Dona Harriet	Mellen	Ashland	Wis.	5	9	1921	6	25	1921	May 17	1936		
S. Kental Roland	Mellen	Ashland	Wis.	10	30	1922	4	11	1923	May 17	1936		

Kramer family - Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Mellen, Ashland Co. WI -

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News:

Double-Header Held at Mellen

Mellen, Aug. 19—On Sunday afternoon, a double-header, one softball and the other baseball were played in the Mellen Merchants ball park under the direction of Joseph Kramer and Clayton Landry, recreational leaders.

In the first game the Merchants' team was defeated by the Smith Tavern team, of Washburn, by a score of 6 to 5. The second game was between the WPA baseball team from Glidden and Cozy Valley Blackhawks, and the Valley boys won by a score of 11 to 12.

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The soft ball game was a pitchers' battle from start to finish. The game went six innings and the visitors nosed the locals out with a one run margin. Harris Lyon, the chucker of the Mellen boys, allowed only five hits. Three errors on the part of Lyon's teammates cost the game. For the Tavernites O. Myher was more effective, allowing the same number of hits and striking out nine batsmen. He also received perfect support behind him.

Joe Kramer, the keystone sacker, was the leading hitter of the day, getting a single and double, out of four times up, and Jasper Landry was next with a double in three times to bat. Washburn's best performers were L. Gregoire and O. Swanky, the former with a hit and walk and the latter with a triple out of two times at bat.

The article continues with information on the 2nd game - "Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Wednesday 19 Aug 1936 p 7

DITCH CAVES IN, TRAPS 2 WORKERS

**Men Only Slightly Bruised
By Sudden Rush of Water
And Dirt.**

Mellen, July 29—The city of Mellen was thrown into a turmoil of excitement Friday forenoon when word was telephoned from East Mellen that two men were pinned in a caved-in ditch in the street in front of the Anton Barabe store.

A rescue crew headed by Mayor Vernon Meredith, chief of the fire department, R. D. Levitts and Street Foreman Harold Meredith rushed to the scene and found that a ditch being dug in the street by the Mellen water company had caved in and had engulfed John Hoglund and Joe Kramer. The ditch was some six feet deep but the cave-in only reached to the men's waists. Hoglund's legs were bruised considerably and Kramer also received some bruises on his legs. The men were taken to a doctor's office after being removed from the ditch. Outside of leg injuries caused from the pressure of the dirt, they suffered no ill effects.

The ditch had not been curbed and caved in when the water pipe was reached at six feet. It was from the Hoglund home to the main in the center of the street.

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Saturday 29 Jul 1939 p 9

RECREATIONAL LEADER GOES TO SPORT SCHOOL

Mellen, Jan. 19 — Joe Kramer, WPA recreational leader, is attending a winter sports school at Perkinstown this week. An entire week of intensive training in winter sports will be given by the instructors and such subjects as skiing, snow and ice games, conducting ice meets, snowshoeing and ski jumping will be taken up.

During Mr. Kramer's absence there will not be a leader at the city rink, but the regular hours from 4 to 6 in the afternoon and from 7 to 9 in the evening as well as Saturday afternoon from 1 to 5 will be resumed at the rink effective January 22.

Broom ball leagues will be organized for the boys during the week of January 22 and the first games will be played on Saturday, January 27. It is hoped that two leagues can be organized. One for the boys 12 years of age and under and one for the boys 13 years and over. Seven players will be allowed on each team and the boys are requested to organize their teams and report to Mr. Kramer at the rink on Monday, January 22.

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Friday 19 Jan 1940 p 8

Joe Kramer attended a winter sports training session at Eagle River this week, receiving training in skating, skiing and snow and ice games. After his return, classes in these events will be organized for the winter months and tournaments will be conducted.

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Saturday 11 Jan 1941 p 9

Father:

Mellen

Prompt work on the part of a rescuing party headed by John Long, game warden, and Herman Peters, rescued Frank Kramer, an old resident, some seventy years of age when he lost himself in the woods while picking blueberries Wednesday.

Together with a party of other berry pickers Mr. Kramer went into the blueberry marsh near the Herman Peters farm, which is south of Mellen and adjacent to Long lake. He became separated from his party and taking the wrong direction to regain the road entered a big swamp and was soon confused. Darkness and fatigue from his travels overcame him.

Long and Peters penetrated the swamp and by shooting and yelling got an answer from Kramer before midnight. It required considerable effort by the men to reach him through the swamp and darkness. The lost man was found lying on the ground with no protection from the cold of the night. He was brought home safely and may

suffer no ill effects from his narrow escape.

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Saturday 18 Aug 1934 p 6

Children:

EMPLOYED AT ASHLAND

Mellen—Miss Dona Kramer, employed for the last two years at the Cordy land office, has left for Ashland, where she is employed in the county pension office.

Daughter Dona Harriet Kramer – "Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Thursday 9 Jan 1941 p 13

FORMER MELLEN GIRL WAS MARRIED JULY 5

**Dona Kramer Bride of John
M. Harrison at Bayfield.**

Mellen—Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kramer announce the marriage of their daughter Dona to John M. Harrison at Bayfield July 5.

Mrs. Harrison was born in Mellen and has lived here all her life. She is a graduate of the class of 1939 of the Mellen high school. She was employed at the Cordy Land office for some time and for the last seven months has been a clerk-typist at the public welfare office at Ashland.

Mr. Harrison is the son of Mrs. Elizabeth Harrison, Bayfield, and is a graduate of the Bayfield high school. He attended the River Falls and Superior State Teachers college and the University of Wisconsin.

Mr. Harrison is employed at the DuPont plant at Barksdale, but on September 2 he will be transferred to Kankakee, Ill., where the couple will reside.

Marriage of daughter Dona H. Kramer to John M. Harrison on 5 Jul 1941 at Bayfield WI – "Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Saturday 23 Aug 1941 p 3

Kendal R. Kramer

Kendal R. Kramer, 69, a plant manager and longtime Chicago area resident, died Wednesday in Memorial Medical Center in his hometown of Ashland, Wis. Mr. Kramer was a 45-year employee of Duro Metal Products in Chicago until 1974, when he moved to Ashland. He was a plant manager at Ashland Forge Co. until he retired in 1985. He served in the Navy during World War II. Mr. Kramer was on the board of directors for the Mellen Golf Course, Mellen, Wis., and on the advisory committee for Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College, Ashland. He is survived by his wife, Mary Norma; a daughter, Kathy Cox; and a grandson. Mass will be said at 11 a.m. Saturday in Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church, Ashland.

Obituary of son Kendal Robert Kramer – “Chicago (IL) Tribune” Saturday 14 Mar 1992 p 17

BETHROTHAL ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smith of 39 Gould street announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Norma, to Kendal Kramer, gunner's mate, second class, U. S. N., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kramer of Mellen, Wis. No date has been set for the wedding.

Engagement of son Kendal Robert Kramer to Mary Norma Smith of Newport RI – “Newport (RI) Mercury” Friday 8 Dec 1944 p 5

—Mrs. Kendal R. Kramer, formerly Miss Norma Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith of 38 Gould street, has returned home by plane after spending four months with her husband at Northfield, Minnesota.

“Newport (RI) Mercury” Friday 20 Jul 1945 p 7

Mr. and Mrs. Kendal Kramer, Carpentersville, Ill., visited parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kramer, over the weekend.

“Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe” Tuesday 9 Oct 1973 p 14

Siblings:

OBITUARY

Henry J. Kramer, 50, a resident of Kenosha since 1920, died at St. Catherine's hospital Tuesday afternoon following a prolonged illness. He was born at Rib Lake, Wis., March 27, 1891.

Obituary of brother Henry J. Kendal, died Tuesday 21 Oct 1941 – “Racine (WI) Journal Times”
Thursday 23 Oct 1941 p 12

Marie Kramer Eagan

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Marie Kramer Eagan, formerly of Kenosha, late of 1426 Deane Blvd., Racine, who died on April 4 at her home in Bradenton, Fla., were held here Tuesday. Survivors include her widower, James R. Eagan; a son, Roy J. Kramer, San Antonio, Tex.; a stepson, Lawrence Eagan, Racine; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Frances Nelson, Racine; 14 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Henry J. Kramer, Long Ill, Dies

Funeral Services Will be
Held on Friday

Henry J. Kramer, 50 years, a widely known resident of Kenosha since 1920, died at St. Catherine's hospital Tuesday afternoon following a prolonged illness. He resided at 8626 Twenty-sixth avenue.

The deceased was born at Rib Lake, Wis., March 27, 1891, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kramer. He spent his early years there later moving with his parents to Mellen, Wis., where he was educated. Since coming to Kenosha in 1920 he has been employed at the Simmons company in the finishing department.

In January of this year he was awarded a 20 year gold watch by the Simmons Company. Because of ill health he retired from active duties in June.

He was a member of St. Thomas Catholic church. He had formerly been a member of the Holy Name Society at St. James church. He was also a member of the Simmons Federal Labor Union.

On June 2, 1914 he united in marriage with Miss Marie Surprise at Mellen, Wis., who, with one son, Roy Kramer, Kenosha, survives. He is also survived by one brother, Joseph Kramer, and a sister, Mrs. Charles Hawkinson, both of Mellen.

The body is at the Crossin funeral home where it will remain until the time of services Friday morning at 8:30 o'clock and at 9 o'clock at St. Thomas church. Interment will follow in the family plot in St. James cemetery.

Left: Obituary of brother Henry J. Kramer's wife, (Georgiana) Marie Surprise Kramer Eagan – "Kenosha (WI) News" Thursday 11 Apr 1968 p 24 – Right: Obituary of brother Henry J. Kramer – "Kenosha (WI) News" Wednesday 22 Oct 1941 p 9

HENRY KRAMER DIES; FORMER MELLENIITE

Funeral Services to Be Held In Kenosha.

(By Daily Globe Correspondent)
Mellen—Henry Kramer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kramer of Mellen, passed away at Kenosha Tuesday, October 21, after an illness of several months.

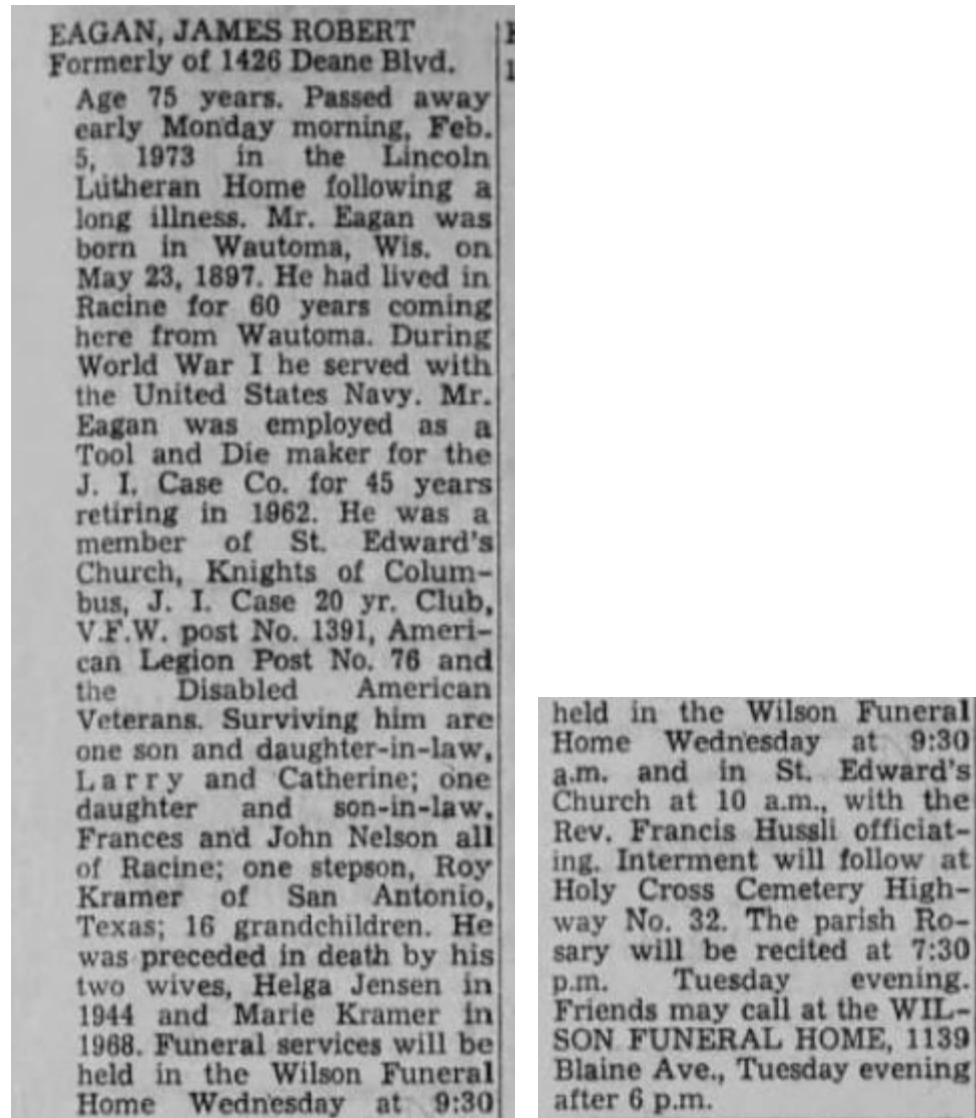
The deceased was born in Rib Lake March 27, 1891. He came to Mellen as a boy with his parents and grew to manhood here. He married Marie Surprise and one son was born to them.

In 1920 he moved his family to Kenosha, where he has been an employe of the Simmonds Bed company for the past 21 years.

He leaves his wife and son Roy of Kenosha, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kramer, one brother, Joe Kramer, Mellen, and one sister Emma (Mrs. Charles Hawkinson) also of Mellen.

Funeral services will be held at Kenosha Friday morning at the St. James Catholic church. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kramer and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hawkinson left Thursday morning to attend the funeral.

Obituary of brother Henry J. Kramer – "Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Thursday 23 Oct 1941 p 8



Obituary of his brother Henry J. Kramer's wife Marie Surprise Kramer's 2nd husband, James Robert Eagan – "Racine (WI) Journal Times" Monday 5 Feb 1973 p 23

Name: Joe Kramer

Name variations: Joseph Kramer. His WI birth record lists him as Frank Joseph Cramer, born 29 Feb 1896 Rib Lake WI to Frank Cramer & Josepha Lerch.

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Supply Co. E (WI Vets Museum = Co. F.) - private

Serial number: 251,241

Entered service from: Mellen, Ashland WI

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Joe Kramer

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father Frank Kramer, Mellen WI

Returned from war on: "Winifredian" Apr 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Joe Kramer

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father Frank Kramer, Mellen WI (PFC, Co. F, 101st Supply Train)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Joseph Kramer - b. 29 Feb 1896 Rib Lake WI; res: Mellen, Ashland WI. Single. Common labor, Union Tanning Co., Mellen WI. Medium height & build.

World War II draft registration (1942): as Joseph Kramer - b. 29 Feb 1896 Rib Lake WI; res: Mellen, Ashland WI. NOK Mrs. Marie Kramer, same address. Employed at Penokee Veneer Co., Mellen WI. "left thumb missing" – card is signed Joseph Kramer. Height: 5'8 ½" – weight 147 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 15 Jul 1917

Discharged 26 Apr 1919

Address: Mellen WI

Rank/unit: private 1st class, 2nd Co., 161st Depot Brigade

Birth & death:

Born: 29 Feb 1896 Rib Lake, Taylor WI

Died: 30 Dec 1981 Mellen, Ashland WI

Find A Grave record: 12887391, presence on Tuscania indicated in text & flower

Burial location: Mellen, Ashland WI

Cemetery: Mellen Union

Tombstone:

Father: Frank Kramer, Jul 1860 Germany – 1944 Mellen, Ashland WI. Buried in Mellen Union

Cemetery, Mellen, Ashland WI

Find A Grave: 12933787

Mother: Sophie/Sophia Lerch Kramer, Aug 1869 [Find A Grave: 1871] Germany – 1946 Mellen, Ashland WI. Buried in Mellen Union Cemetery, Mellen, Ashland WI.

Find A Grave: 12933785

Parents' marriage:

Spouse: Marie C. Hoglund Kramer, 26 Feb 1901 Mason, Bayfield WI – 30 Jun 1988 Mellen, Ashland WI. SSN 389-30-0191. Daughter of John Olof Hoglund (1873-1952, F: 12933795) & Anna Charlotta Nelson (1876-1942, F: 12933793). Buried in Mellen Union Cemetery, Mellen, Ashland WI.

Spouse Find A Grave: 12887396

Marriage: 9 Oct 1920 Bessemer, Gogebic MI. Joe Kramer, age 24, resident of Mellen WI, born Rib Lake WI, laborer, son of Frank Kramer & Sophie Lerch, not previously married – Marie Hoglund, age 19, resident of Mellen WI, born Mason WI, typesetter, daughter of John Hoglund & Anna Nelson, not previously married. Married by justice of the peace W.J. Haggerson. - "Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Monday 11 Oct 1920 p 3 – marriage license issued by the county clerk to Joe Kramer & Marie Hoglund [sic], both of Mellen WI.

Children:

- Dona H. [found as Harriet in church record & as Helen on Ancestry.com] Kramer Harrison, 8 May 1921 Mellen, Ashland WI – 7 Feb 1988 St. Louis Park, Hennepin MN. Graduate of Mellen High School (1939). "Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Monday 29 May 1939 p 15 – Mellen High School held commencement on Thursday. One of the class of 36 seniors was Dona Kramer of Mellen. - Wife of John M. Harrison (1919-1992, F: 11973588) whom she married 5

Jul 1941 in Bayfield, Bayfield WI. Buried in St. Agnes Cemetery, Ashland, Ashland WI. F: 11973593

- Kendal Ronald Kramer, 30 Oct 1922 Mellen, Ashland WI – 11 Mar 1992 Ashland, Ashland WI. SN 393-12-4754. Middle name listed as Roland on church record. Played on the basketball team at Mellen High School (1938/1939). On his WWII draft card (1942), Kendal lived at 2831 Woodard St., Chicago IL & was employed at Duro Metal Products Co., 2649 Kildare Ave. Chicago IL. NOK was Mrs. Joe Kramer of Mellen WI. – Kendal worked for Duro Metal for 45 years until moving to Ashland WI in 1974. - Husband of Mary Norma Smith (daughter of Alfred Smith of Newport RI); they were engaged in 1944 while Kendal was a gunner's mate, 2nd class, in the US Navy. Buried in St. Agnes Cemetery, Ashland, Ashland WI. F: 11973800

Siblings: one sibling died by the time of the 1900 census

- Henry J. Kramer, 27 Mar 1891 Rib Lake, Taylor WI – 21 Oct 1941 Kenosha, Kenosha WI (St. Catherine's Hospital). On his WWI (1917) draft card, lived in Mellen WI, worked at Foster Latimer Lumber Co., had a wife & 1 child. – Married 2 Jun 1914 in Mellen, Ashland WI to Georgiana Marie Surprise (who used the name Marie but whose FL death record lists her as Georgiana Marie Eagan), the daughter of Felix Surprise (1857-1945, F: 176441981) & Aramania (1867-1924, F: 176440862). Their name also appears as Suprenant & Surprenant. Marie, SSN 396-16-1226, born 12 May 1894 WI, died 4 Apr 1968 Bradenton, Manatee FL, later married James Robert Eagan (23 May 1897 – 5 Feb 1973, F: 142968816). James is buried in Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery, Caledonia, Racine WI with his 1st wife, Helga Jensen (1902-1944, F: 142968827). Marie Surprise Kramer Eagan is buried in St. James Cemetery, Kenosha, Kenosha WI with Henry, F: 176331858. - In the 1930 census, Henry (39 WI) & Marie G. (36 WI) lived with son Roy James Kramer in Kenosha, Kenosha WI where he worked in a bed factory & she worked in Pad Mill Excelsior Bed Factory. - In the 1940 census, Henry (49 WI) & Marie (46 WI) lived at 6628 – 25th Ave., Kenosha, Kenosha WI; he worked in a furniture manufacturing Company. Buried in St. James Cemetery, Kenosha, Kenosha WI. F: 176366569
- Emma Kramer Hawkinson, 19 Apr 1893 Taylor Co. WI – 24 Mar 1959 Ashland, Ashland WI. SSN 392-22-9651. Wife of Charles Hawkinson (20 Nov 1889 Worthington, Nobles MN – Feb 1971, F: 12924413). His birth name appears to be Carl Leonard/Leonord Hawkinson; he uses Carl Leonord on his WWII (1942) draft card. – Listed in the 1920 census for Mellen, Ashland WI: Charles (30 MN, parents b. Sweden, foreman) & Emma (24 WI, parents b. Germany). - In the 1930 census Charles (40 WI) & Emma (37 WI) Hawkinson live in Mellen, Ashland WI where he is a railroad conductor. Emma reports her 1st marriage at age 17 & Charles at age 20, so they were married circa 1920. Buried in Mellen Union Cemetery, Mellen, Ashland WI. F: 12924410.

Notes: https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/82884490/person/142126208614/facts?_phsrc=hFB23590&_phstart=successSource

Pre-war:

Wartime:

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Sunday 10 Feb 1918 p 4 – "Tuscania Survivors – Maybe His Name is Here" – lists Joe Kramer of Mellen WI

Post-war:

Joe Kramer was active in youth recreation, softball, the American Legion & other community activities in Mellen WI.

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Saturday 14 Jan 1928 p 11 – the Mellen American Legion, among them Sgt. Joe Kramer, went to Ashland Wednesday for a banquet

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Monday 2 Jul 1928 p 6 – Joe Kramer was one of the delegates elected to attend the American Legion convention in Wausau WI on Aug 13-15, 1928.

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Wednesday 23 Oct 1929 p 8 – American Legion member

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Saturday Jul 1934 p 8 – Mrs. Joe Kramer left Friday for Ashland WI to visit her husband who is now employed there.

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Friday 13 Sep 1935 p 6 – Joe Kramer is overseeing incoming exhibit booths for the Bad River Valley Fair Association.

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Saturday 23 May 1936 p 5 – Zion Lutheran Church had 9 people in its Confirmation class. Two were Dona Kramer & Kendal Kramer.

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Friday 5 Jul 1936 p 2 – one of the instructors at the new Mellen Recreational project is Joe Kramer.

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Friday 20 Nov 1936 p 13 – Joe Kramer, commander of the American Legion, is one of those on the new Citizens Safety Council, which will address traffic & safety.

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Friday 23 Jul 1937 p 13 – Joe Kramer is the assistant director of the county softball league

"Ironwood (MI) Daily Globe" Tuesday 6 Nov 1973 p 9 – Mr. & Mrs. Joe Kramer visited relatives in Chicago, Carpentersville, Hinsdale & Hanover Park IL.

Obituary:

Social Security number: 704-12-2850

Censuses:

1900 Rib Lake, Taylor WI – Forest St. N.

Frauls/Frands [Frank] KRAEMER, 39 Germany, Jul 1860, parents b. Germany, emigrated 1888, in US for 12 years, married 9 years, laborer (tannery)

Sophie, 30 Germany, Aug 1869, parents b. Germany, emigrated 1882, in US for 17 years, gave birth to 4 children, 3 are living

Henry, 9 WI, Mar 1891

Emma, 7 WI, Apr 1893

Jos., 4 WI, Feb 1896

1905 WI state census – Morse, Ashland WI

Frank Kramer, 44 Germany, tannery labor

Sophia, 35 Germany

Henry, 14 WI

Emma, 12 WI

Joseph, 9 WI

1910 Mellen, Ashland WI – 202 Monroe St.

Frank CRAMER, 50 Germany, parents b. Germany, in 1st marriage, married 19 years, emigrated 1888, naturalized, laborer, tanery [sic]

Sophia, 39 Germany, parents b. Germany, in 1st marriage, emigrated 1883, gave birth to 4 children, 3 are living

Henery, 19 Wi, laborer, tanery [sic]

Emma, 17 WI

Joseph, 14 WI

1920 Mellen, Ashland Wi

Frank Kramer, 60 Germany, parents b. Germany, emigrated 1880, [does not read naturalized; does it read “alien”?], laborer, tannery

Sophie, 48 Germany, parents b. Germany, emigrated 1876,

Joe, 24 WI, single, laborer, veneer plant

1930 Mellen, Ashland WI

Joseph Kramer, 34 WI, parents b. Germany, age 24 at 1st marriage, laborer, saw mill, WWI veteran

Marie, 29 WI, parents b. Sweden, age 19 at 1st marriage

Dona, 8 WI

Kendal, 7 WI

1940 Mellen, Ashland WI – same place in 1935

Joseph Kramer, 43 WI, recreational director, WPA

Marie, 39 WI

Dona [indexed as Daria], 18 WI, bookkeeper, real estate land office

Kendal, 17 WI, N.Y.A. [federal National Youth Administration]