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finalized version is available.

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

The logo for Tuscania, featuring the word "TUSCANIA" in a stylized, black, serif font with decorative flourishes, set against a solid red rectangular background.

Leitz, William Edward
1886 LA – 1941 TX

LEITZ WILLIAM EDWARD		2919319
Ck Co L 104 Inf		K
2308 Ave H Galveston Tex		A 4 272 838
Ssn 251 484	Died 5-11-41	T 800 239 F
Born 10/2/86		R
Enl 10/9/17	Dte 4/21/19	Ct 3 514 158
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U. S. VETERANS BUREAU
MAIL AND RECORDS
Form 7202-Rev. Sept., 1926

INDEX CARD

Serial number agrees with return passenger list; birthdate of 2 Oct 1886? -

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Leitz, William E. 251,484 * White * Colored:

(Surname) (Christian name) (Army serial number)

Residence: 718 23d St Galveston Galveston TEXAS

(Street and house number) (Town or city) (County) (State)

* Enlisted * R. A. * N. C. * E. R. C. * Inducted at Galveston Tex on Oct 8, 1917

Place of birth: New Orleans La Age or date of birth: 31 yrs

Organizations served in, with dates of assignments and transfers:

25 Co 7 Tng Bn 165 Dep Brig to ; Co L 104 Inf

to disch

Grades, with date of appointment:

Cook July 7/18

Engagements:

Marne; Anne-Marne- St. Mihiel; Troyen; Meuse-Argonne

Wounded in action (degree and date) Slightly, Oct 26, 1918

Served overseas from Jan 24/18 to Apr 5/19, from to

* Honorably discharged on demobilization: Apr 21, 1919

(If separated for other cause give reason)

In view of occupation he was, on date of discharge, reported 0 per cent disabled.

Remarks:

Form No. 724-9, A. G. O. * Strike out words not applicable. † Dates of departure from and arrival in the U. S.

TX WWI military record – note Tuscania sailing date -

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CHECK TYPE HEADSTONE DESIRED		APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE (PLEASE MAKE OUT AND RETURN IN DUPLICATE)			
☒ UPRIGHT MARKER ☐ FLAT MARKER		Enlistment dates <u>10/9/17</u> Discharge dates <u>4/21/19</u> Pension number <u>251 484</u>			
Name		Rank	Company	U. S. Regiment, State Organization, or Vessel	Date of Death
William E. Leitz		Cook	Co. I 104 Inf.	104 Inf. 26 Div.	May 11, 1941
Name of Cemetery		Located in or near—		If World War Veteran	
Calvary Cemetery		City	State	Division	Emblem
		Galveston,	Texas	26 Div.	Louisiana Christian
To be shipped to		at			
Mrs. William E. Leitz		Southern Pacific Sta. Galveston,			
(Name of consignee)		(Give R. R. station, county, and State)			
Whose post-office address is		1208 25th Street			
DO NOT WRITE HERE		This application is for the UNMARKED grave of a veteran. It is understood the stone will be furnished and delivered at the railroad station or steamboat landing above indicated, at Government expense, freight prepaid. I hereby agree to accept promptly the headstone at destination, remove it, and properly place same at decedent's grave at my expense. NO FEE SHOULD BE PAID IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION.			
To A. G. O. JUN 7 - 1941		Applicant.			
Ordered JUL 11 1941 LEE MASS.		Address 1208 25th Street Date May 11, 1941			
B/L 3744443		Ac 7-2 June 10, 1941			
Shipped 1-17-42					
WAR DEPARTMENT O. Q. M. G. Form No. 628		Approved Aug. 12, 1913 Revised May 28, 1931 Revised Feb. 15, 1937			

Dr. Delany *O*

1 PLACE OF DEATH		TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	
STATE OF TEXAS		BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS	
COUNTY OF <u>Galveston</u>		STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
CITY OR PRECINCT NO. <u>Galveston</u>		GIVE STREET AND NUMBER OR NAME OF INSTITUTION <u>St. Mary's Infirmary</u>	
2. FULL NAME OF DECEASED <u>WILLIAM EDWARD LEITZ</u>		22490	
LENGTH OF RESIDENCE WHERE DEATH OCCURRED <u>24</u> YEARS <u> </u> MONTHS <u> </u> DAYS (SOCIAL SECURITY NO. <u>453-01-4943</u>)			
RESIDENCE OF THE DECEASED (AND NO. <u>1208-25th. St.</u>) <u>Galveston</u>		COUNTY <u>Galveston</u> STATE <u>Tex.</u>	
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS			
3. SEX <u>Male</u>	4. COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	17. DATE OF DEATH <u>May 11, 1941</u>	
5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (WRITE THE WORD) <u>Married</u>		18. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM <u>1934</u> TO <u>5-11-1941</u>	
6. DATE OF BIRTH <u>October 3, 1886</u>		I LAST SAW HIM ALIVE ON <u>5-10-1941</u>	
7. AGE <u>54</u> YEARS <u>7</u> MONTHS <u>8</u> DAYS IF LESS THAN 1 DAY <u> </u> HOURS <u> </u> MIN	THE DEATH OCCURRED ON THE DATE STATED ABOVE AT <u>8:45 P.</u>		
8A. TRADE, PROFESSION OR KIND OF WORK DONE <u>Bartender</u>	THE PRIMARY CAUSE OF DEATH WAS:		
8B. INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS IN WHICH ENGAGED <u>Gloyd's Grill</u>	<u>Acute cardiac dilatation</u>		
9. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>New Orleans, La.</u>	CONTRIBUTORY CAUSES WERE <u>Chronic myocarditis</u>		
10. NAME <u>Anthony Leitz</u>	<u>its</u>		
11. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>New Orleans, La.</u>			
12. MAIDEN NAME <u>Lillian Burnius</u>			
13. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>New Orleans, La.</u>			
14. SIGNATURE <u>Mrs. Virginia Leitz</u>			
ADDRESS <u>7636-Kingsley, Houston, TEXAS</u>			
15. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>Calvary Cemetery</u>			
DATE <u>May 13, 1941</u>			
16. SIGNATURE <u>MALLOY & SON</u>			
ADDRESS <u>8028 Ave. J</u>			
20. FILE NUMBER <u>374</u>	FILE DATE <u>May 12, 1941</u>	SIGNATURE OF LOCAL REGISTRAR <u>Margaret O'Rourke</u>	POST OFFICE ADDRESS <u>Galveston, TEXAS</u>

NOTE THE INFORMATION CALLED FOR ON THE REVERSE SIDE

IF NOT DUE TO DISEASE, SPECIFY WHETHER: ACCIDENT, SUICIDE, OR HOMICIDE

DATE OF OCCURRENCE JUN 11 1941

PLACE OF OCCURRENCE TEXAS

MANNER OR MEANS IF RELATED TO OCCUPATION OF DECEASED, SPECIFY

SIGNATURE J. H. [Signature]

ADDRESS Galveston, TEXAS

Stamp: JUN 11 1941 TEXAS BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

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Be it Remembered, That on this day to-wit: the 8th of February
in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred 4 Eleven and the
One Hundred and 35 of the independence of the United States of America, before me,
W. T. O'REILLY, M. D., Chairman Board of Health and Ex-Officio Recorder of Births, Deaths and Marriages
in and for the Parish of Orleans, personally appeared
A. A. Muhlstein, a man native of Germany
residing at 65 Maple St. New Orleans who hereby declares that
May Ellen Shanahan wife of William E. Leitz (deceased)
a native of Germany, aged 24 years, 1886
departed this life yes (3 Feb 1911) at New Orleans
LA
Cause of Death Chronic Ulcerative Endocarditis
Certificate of Dr. C. W. Gutzwiller
Respectfully submitted
This done at New Orleans, in the presence of the aforesaid A. A. Muhlstein
as also in that of V. N. Lanauze & P. J. Rives both of this City,
witnesses, by me requested to do so, who have hereunto set their hands, together with me, after reading hereof this day, month and
year first above written Sp Henry Lanauze A. J. O'Reilly M.D.
A. A. Muhlstein P. J. Rives
Chairman Board of Health and Ex-Officio Recorder,

William E Leitz

mentioned in the record of May Elle Shanohan

Tools

Name:	William E Leitz
Sex:	Unknown
Wife:	May Elle Shanohan

Other information in the record of May Elle Shanohan
 from Louisiana, Orleans Parish Death Records and Certificates, 1835-1954

Name:	May Elle Shanohan • Edit
Sex:	Female
Age:	24
Death Date:	3 Feb 1911 • Edit
Death Place:	Louisiana, United States • Edit
Birth Year (Estimated):	1887
Race:	White
Spouse's Name:	William E Leitz • Edit

death certificate of Mary Elle Shanohan Leitz, died 3 (4?) Feb 1911

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William Leitz

mentioned in the record of William Patrick Leitz

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Name:	William Leitz
Sex:	Unknown
Spouse:	Ellen M Shanahan
Son:	William Patrick Leitz

Other information in the record of William Patrick Leitz
from Louisiana, Orleans Parish Vital Records, 1900-1964

Event Place Note:	190-1963
Name:	William Patrick Leitz
Sex:	Male
Birth Date:	17 Nov 1906
Birthplace:	New Orleans, Orleans, Louisiana, United States
Parent Name:	William Leitz
Parent 2 Name:	Ellen M Shanahan
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Event Place Note **190-1963**

Name **Albert Anthony Leitz**

Sex **Male**

Birth Date **25 Sep 1909**

Birthplace **New Orleans, Orleans, Louisiana, United States**

Parent Name **William Leitz**

Parent 2 Name **Ellen Shanahan**

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CAMP TRAVIS DETACHMENT NUMBER 1 OVERSEAS CASUALS					
(Give full name of organization including company and regimental designations.)					
526		JAN 24 1918		NEW YORK, N. Y.	
(Name of transport or commercial steamer.)		(Date of sailing.)		(Port.)	
172	LEITZ, WILLIAM E. ,	PVT 33 CO 165 D.B.	MRS. P. SHARAHAN	MOTHER IN-LAW	2702 MAGAZINE ST. NEW ORLEANS, LA.

<https://www.fold3.com/image/604132752?rec=623271266&terms=outgoing,leitz,William>

Father:

LEITZ—Entered into rest on Wednesday, June 7, 1905, at 3:45 a. m., ANTHONY LEITZ, third eldest son of Mrs. A. Leitz, Sr., aged forty-one years two months and nineteen days, a native of this city.

Obituary of father Anthony Leitz – “New Orleans (LA) Times-Democrat” Sunday 11 Jun 1905 p 2

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LEITZ—Ambrose F. Leitz, 51, of route 1, box 685, died at 10 p.m. Friday at his residence. He was a retired post-office clerk and had been a resident of Houston for the past 23 years. He is survived by his wife; four daughters, Mrs. G. A. Stole, Miss Virgie Mae Leitz, Miss Joyce Leitz and Mrs. George Munson, all of Houston; a son, H. K. L. Davis, of Houston; his mother, Mrs. A. Grasser; a sister, Miss Hester Leitz, both of New Orleans, and three brothers, Fred and Anthony Leitz of New Orleans and W. E. Leitz of Galveston. Services at 3:30 p.m. Sunday in the drawing room of the Settegast-Kopf Home with Rev. W. T. Turner officiating. Burial in Forest Park Cemetery. Active pallbearers include J. R. Anderson, R. F. Falk, Louis Gren, H. A. Kneic, John Nyberg and E. Furley. Honorary pallbearers: J. S. Griffith, H. S. Gregory, John Dunlop, E. C. Mathews, C. W. Gilbert, Dr. Edward Hodges, Anthony Pawlek, E. C. Eckerles, F. W. Pletcher, George H. Seser, J. R. Sullivan and D. H. Kennerly. Settegast-Kopf Company directing.

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Obituary of brother Ambrose Frederick Leitz – "Houston (TX) Chronicle" Saturday 4 Jan 1936 p 11 – from Find A Grave 66677270

TX death certificate of brother Ambrose Frederick Leitz – his mother’s name of Lillian Bernice should read “Lillian Bernius” -

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Leitz Takes Over New Job

ATLANTA. (AP)—Al Leitz, new manager of the Atlanta Crackers, arrived yesterday from New Orleans with his wife and two children and immediately went on an apartment hunt.

Formerly with Waycross of the now disbanded Georgia-Florida league, he is considered to have a tough assignment due to conditions under which baseball will be played this summer.

To economize the Crackers will wear Waycross uniforms during spring training. They sent their last year's training uniforms to military camps. The new uniforms of last year will be used after the regular season gets underway.

Announcement was made that Pitcher Floyd Stromme, once a consistent winner for the Crackers, and sold last year to Knoxville, had been purchased for cash. Joe Wilson, a winner in the American association and International league until he retired recently, has been signed, as has Charley Parker, a Thomaston, Ga. second baseman.

The Crackers start practice April 1 on their home grounds, Ponce De Leon park.

A shift in the Miller schedule has been announced whereby the game with Montreal scheduled to be played here on April 6, will

be moved back to April 7. This was done in order that local fans might stage a real rally as a final tribute to the Millers, who will play their last game on the home field on that occasion, as well as to Al Leitz, local boy who is headed for greener pastures, the game being advertised as "Al Leitz day."

News of the Minneapolis Millers baseball team, as Albert Anthony Leitz leaves for GA –
"Minneapolis (MN) Star Tribune" Sunday 31 Mar 1935 p 5

Lamont Pioneer Passes in Enid, Funeral Pends

LAMONT — John T. Meece, 89, longtime resident of the Lamont-Salt Fork area, died at St. Mary's hospital in Enid at 3 a.m. Wednesday.

He had been hospitalized the past three weeks.

Funeral arrangements are pending at McCafferty funeral home in Lamont.

Born at Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 11, 1870, Mr. Meece came to Oklahoma at the opening of the Cherokee Strip and staked a claim two miles southeast of Salt Fork where he lived until last fall when he moved into Lamont.

Survivors include his wife, Laura, of the home; two sons, Roy, Lamont, and Edgar, Hunter; two daughters, Mrs. Nora Hamburg, Lamont, and Mrs. Thelma Cole, Hunter.

A son, Homer, preceded him in death in November, 1959.

Other survivors include a brother, Ed L. Meece, Belle Plaine, Kans.; two sisters, Mrs. Bessie Wallace, Neuremburg, Ind., and Mrs. Bertha Ball, Marshall, Mich.; eight grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Hmm? "Blackwell (OK) Journal-Tribune" Wednesday 13 Jul 1960 p 4

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
STATE OF TEXAS
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

420.1 25-
STATE FILE NO. 24389

1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY GALVESTON		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution, indicate before date of admission.) a. STATE TEXAS b. COUNTY GALVESTON	
b. CITY (If outside corporate limits, write RURAL and give precinct no.) GALVESTON		c. CITY (If outside corporate limits, write RURAL and give precinct no.) GALVESTON	
d. FULL NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION 4812 AUSTIN DRIVE		d. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) 4812 AUSTIN DRIVE	
3. NAME OF DECEASED a. (First) FRANK b. (Middle) J. c. (Last) HUGHES		4. DATE OF DEATH APRIL 20, 1953	
5. SEX MALE	6. COLOR OR RACE CAUC.	7. MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED (Specify) MARRIED	8. DATE OF BIRTH AUGUST 25, 1905
9. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS 47 yrs 7 25		10. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) SPORTSMAN	
10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY		11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) GALVESTON, TEXAS	
12. FATHER'S NAME FRANK HUGHES SR.		13. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME BETTY WOODRUFF CALDWELL COUNTY, TEXAS	
14. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, No, or unknown) (If yes, give war or dates of service) NO		15. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. MRS STELLA C. HUGHES (WIFE)	
17. CAUSE OF DEATH Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c) *This does not mean the mode of dying, such as heart failure, asphyxia, etc. It means the disease, injury, or complication which caused death.		MEDICAL CERTIFICATION I. DISEASE OR CONDITION DIRECTLY LEADING TO DEATH* (a) <u>Acute Coronary Thrombotic Embolism</u> ANTECEDENT CAUSES Morbid conditions, if any, giving rise to the above cause (a) stating the underlying cause last. DUE TO (b) _____ DUE TO (c) _____ II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS Conditions contributing to the death but not related to the disease or condition causing death.	
18a. DATE OF OPERATION		18b. MAJOR FINDINGS OF OPERATION	
20a. ACCIDENT SUICIDE HOMICIDE (Specify)		20b. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)	
20c. (CITY, TOWN, OR PRECINCT NO.) (COUNTY) (STATE)		19. AUTOPSY? YES ☐ NO ☐	
20d. TIME OF INJURY (Month) (Day) (Year) (Hour) (Min) 20e. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐		20f. HOW DID INJURY OCCUR?	
21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from _____, 19____, to _____, 19____, that I last saw the deceased alive on _____, 19____, and that death occurred at _____ m., from the causes and on the date stated above.			
22a. SIGNATURE <u>M. J. Con. M. D.</u>		22b. ADDRESS <u>2402 Sealy</u>	
22c. DATE SIGNED <u>4/22/53</u>			
23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) BURIAL		23b. DATE 4-22-1953	
23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY GALVARY CEMETERY			
23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State) GALVESTON, TEXAS		24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE BROADWAY FUNERAL HOME JAMES C. CROWDER #4730	
25a. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. 443		25b. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR Apr. 23, 1953	
25c. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE <u>Borgney O. Roubert</u>			

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Patrick Shanahan

mentioned in the record of Salvador Joseph Font and Mary Jeanette Shanahan

Name:	Patrick Shanahan
Sex:	Male
Wife:	Catherine White
Daughter:	Mary Jeanette Shanahan

Other information in the record of Salvador Joseph Font and Mary Jeanette Shanahan from Louisiana Parish Marriages, 1837-1957

Name:	Salvador Joseph Font
Event Type:	Marriage
Event Date:	27 Jan 1915
Event Place:	Orleans, Louisiana, United States
Sex:	Male
Father's Name:	Simon Font
Mother's Name:	Alice Cagnolatte
Spouse's Name:	Mary Jeanette Shanahan
Spouse's Sex:	Female
Spouse's Father's Name:	Patrick Shanahan
Spouse's Mother's Name:	Catherine White

<https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/sources/G46L-TTN>

Name: William Edward Leitz

Name variations: draft card says he has no middle name

Military:

On Tuscania: Camp Travis Det. 1 - private

Serial number: 251,484

Entered service from: New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: William E. Leitz

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": mother-in-law Mrs. P. Sharahan, 2702 Magazine St., New Orleans LA

Returned from war on: "Mount Vernon" Mar/Apr 1919

Sailed on return ship as: William E. LIETZ

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Lillian L. Lietz [sic], 2702 Magazine St., New Orleans LA (cook, 104th Inf.)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Wm. Edward Leitz - b. 2 Oct 1886 New Orleans LA; res: 18 Fremont, Galveston TX. Single. Dependents: 2 orphaned children under age 12. Bartender, Ruby Bar, 418 - 22nd. Card is signed William E. Leitz. Medium height & build.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted 9 Oct 1917

Discharged 21 Apr 1919

Address: 2308 Avenue H, Galveston TX

Rank/unit: cook, Co. L, 104th Infantry

TX, WWI military record:

William E. Leitz, serial 251484, resident of 718 – 23rd St., Galveston TX. Inducted into Army at Galveston TX at age 31 years on 8 Oct 1917. Born New Orleans LA. In 25th Co, 7th Training Battalion, 165th Depot Brigade to ---; in Co. L, 104th Infantry to discharge. Promoted to cook 7 Jul 1918. In engagements at the Marne; Aisne-Marne, St. Mihiel, Troyon, Meuse-Argonne. Slightly wounded 28 Oct 1918. Overseas 24 Jan 1918 to 5 Apr 1919. Discharged 21 Apr 1919. 0% disabled.

Birth & death:

Born: 2 Oct 1886 New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA [LA birth record & TX death record list birthdate as 3 Oct 1886]

Died: 11 May 1941 Galveston, Galveston TX

Find A Grave record: 100426647 – presence on Tuscania indicated in flower, asked contributor to add text

Burial location: Galveston, Galveston TX

Cemetery: Calvary

Tombstone: veteran tombstone - Cook, 104 Inf. 26 Div.

Father: Anthony Leitz, 18 Mar 1864 LA – 7 Jun 1905 New Orleans, Jefferson or Orleans Parish LA.

Son of Ambrose Leitz Sr. (1836-1879, F: 11849882) & Louisa Eringer (1835-1911, F: 11758707).

Buried in Lafayette Cemetery Number 1, New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA.

Find A Grave: 90726611

Mother: Lillian Bernius Leitz Glasser, Sep 1867 New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA – 4 Apr 1939 New Orleans, Jefferson Parish LA. Daughter of Frederick Bernius (F: 67865959) & Johanah Derr (F: 67865960).

After her marriage to Anthony Leitz, Lillian married Albert Eugene Grasser (also known as Graesser or Green). He had children from a previous marriage, Feredolitz & Hartylitz Graesser. Albert was born 13 Nov 1871 in New Orleans LA to Julius Grasser & was a stove classer. He planned to work as a coal passer on the ship "Kilpatrick" on 4 Sep 1918; he was a resident of 1029 – 7th St., New Orleans LA at the time. A birth record for Albert Eugene Grasser lists his birthdate as 13 Nov 1870 in New Orleans LA, son of Julius Grasser & Catharine Gorman. Arthur died 11 Dec 1951 in Orleans Parish LA; had a SSN of 433-20-3735.

Her LA death record lists her name as Lillian B.L. Grasser.

Find A Grave:

Parents' marriage: 6 Aug 1884 – Anton Leitz & Lillie Ann Bernius in Orleans Parish LA

Spouse: Ellen May/ May Ellen Shanahan (Sharahan), Jul 1886 LA (1900 census).- died at age 24 on 3 Feb 1911 in LA. Daughter of Patrick J. Shanahan (d. 10 Jun 1928 LA, son of Richard Shanahan) & Catherine White (d. 30 Oct 1926 New Orleans LA at age 67, daughter of Henry White & Mary Poland), who married 25 Oct 1884 in Orleans Parish LA. In the 1895 New Orleans LA city directory, Patrick Shanahan lived at 2907 Tchoupitoulas & was an engineer. William & May had 2 sons. When

William sails on Tuscania, he lists his mother-in-law – Mrs. P. Sharahan, of 2702 Magazine St., New Orleans LA – as his next-of-kin. LA death record lists William E. Leitz as her spouse.

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage:

Spouse: Elizabeth/Bettie/Betty Meece? Woodruff? Hughes Leitz. The Nora Ethel Hamburg listed as Bettie's sister in the 1910 census is the daughter of John T. & Lura M. Meece, SSN 440-64-9241, b. 18 Nov 1900 near Salt Fork OK & d. 3 Jun 1994. Nora Ethel Meece married Everett Marvin Hamburg. BUT – her Find A Grave 62006856 & other Meece obituaries do not mention a Betty, only Thelma F. Meece Cole.

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage:

Children: by wife Mary Ellen Shanahan

- William Patrick Leitz, 17 Nov 1906 New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA – 30 Dec 1989 Putnam Co. FL. SSN 261-10-3785. WWII veteran. LA birth record lists as son of William Leitz & Ellen M. Shanahan. On his WWII (1942) draft registration, gives birthdate of 17 Nov 1908 New Orleans LA, resident of Palatka, Putnam FL, NOK wife Mrs. Edwina Lorinne Leitz. Husband of Edwina C. ("Winnie") (1916 LA – 2000 FL, F: 105363936). Edwina's Find A Grave record says she was born & raised in New Orleans LA, where she met & married William. Buried in Palatka Memorial Gardens, Palatka, Putnam FL. F: 105364005.
- Albert Anthony Leitz, 25 Sep 1909 New Orleans, Orleans LA - Feb 1970 (alternative: 23 May 1970). SSN 252-16-0508. LA birth record lists as son of William Leitz & Ellen Shanahan. Married to Helena Weihmann. – In the 1940 census of Waycross GA, Albert A. Leitz, 30 LA, baseball player for the Waycross Baseball Association, lived with his wife Helen (26 LA) & son Albert A. Jr. (2 MN). On his WWII draft registration, he lived at 1110 Cleo St., Waycross GA, was born 25 Sep 1909 New Orleans LA, NOK his mother-in-law Mrs. William Cashen of 1169 Annunciation, New Orleans LA, employed by the Waycross Baseball Association, Waycross GA. Card was signed "Al Leitz." – Served in the Army 18 Dec 1944 to 23 Jun 1945.

Stepson: son of wife Betty, appears to be:

- Frank J. Hughes, 25 May 1905 [or 25 Aug 1905] Galveston, Galveston TX – 20 Apr 1953 Galveston, Galveston TX. His TX baptismal record shows his name (Latinized) as Franciscum Winter Hughes, born 25 May 1902 Galveston TX, baptized at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Galveston TX on 1 Nov 1902, son of Francis W. Hughes & Eliz. Woodruff. His TX death certificate lists him as the son of Frank Hughes & Betty Woodruff. Buried in Calvary Catholic Cemetery, Galveston, Galveston TX. F: 100427051

Siblings: William was the 2nd child.

- Albert Anthony Leitz, 15 Mar 1884 or Dec 1888 LA – 19 Nov 1933 New Orleans, Orleans LA. Birthdate found as 15 Mar 1884, but listed as Dec 1888 in the 1900 census/Married 9 Sep 1908 in New Orleans LA to Helena Weihmann (1887-1970). Buried in Cypress Grove Cemetery, New Orleans, Orleans LA. F: 90162146

- Ambrose Frederick Leitz, 30 Oct 1884 [Oct 1883?] New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA – 3 Jan 1936 Harris Co. TX. The 1900 census lists his birth in Oct 1883 & as the oldest of 6 children. Buried in Forest Park Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX. F: 66677270
- Anthony J. Leitz, 30 May 1889 New Orleans, Jefferson Parish LA – 27 Jul 1937 New Orleans, Jefferson Parish LA. Husband of Mary Ida Jamison (1888-1970). Buried in Greenwood Cemetery, New Orleans, Orleans LA. F: 5022633
- Frederick Leitz, 9 Jul 1891 New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA – 17 Jul 1948 Orleans Parish LA. Married to Marion on his 1942 WWII draft registration; likely Marion Mohrmann (1895-1984, F: 89981215). Buried in Greenwood Cemetery with the Morhmann family, New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA. F: 89981203
- Louis Leitz, 18 Mar 1892 LA –
- Lawrence John Leitz, 27 Jul 1894 New Orleans, Jefferson Parish LA – 19 Oct 1918 New Orleans, Jefferson LA. Was skipped in 1900 census & Lillian says she has given birth to 6 children, 6 of whom are living [which did not include him]. Buried in Greenwood Cemetery, New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA. F: 89981212
- Hester Leitz, Jan 1895 LA – 1937 New Orleans, Jefferson Parish LA.

Notes:

Born as Edward William Leitz to Anthony Leitz & Lillian Bernius on 3 Oct 1886 in New Orleans LA.

Pre-war:

Wartime:

The only 1918 newspaper account located: “New York Times” Saturday 9 Feb 1918 p 6 – on board: Leitz, W.E., New Orleans LA.

Post-war:

1936 Galveston TX city directory:

Leitz, William E. (Betty), bartender, Lloyd’s, resident of 1101 – 9th

Obituary:

Summarized from “New Orleans (LA) Times-Picayune” 25 May 1941 – son of Anthony Leitz & Lilly Bernius, wife Betty Hughes, sons Albert & William Jr.

Social Security number: 453-01-4943

Censuses:

1900 New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA – 3125 Tchoupitoulas

Andrew Leitz, 36 LA, May 1864, parents b. Germany, married 16 years, occupation is illegible but probably not the “saleslay” Ancestry.com indexed it as

Lillian, 32 LA, Sep 1867, father b. Germany, mother b. France, gave birth to 6 children, 6 are living
Ambros, 16 LA, Oct 1883

Wm., 14 LA, Oct 1885
 Albert, 11 LA, Dec 1888
 Fred, 9 LA, Jul 1890
 Louis, 7 LA, Jul 1892
 Hester, 5 LA, Jan 1895

1900 New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA – 2904 Tchoupitoulas – his 1st wife Mary/May Ellen
 Pat Shannahan, 43 Ireland, parents b. Ireland, married 15 years, emigrated 1871, in the US for 28 years, naturalized, occupation cannot be deciphered
 Kate, 42 LA, Oct 1858, parents b. Ireland, gave birth to 9 children, 6 are living
 Catiren, 14 LA, Aug 1885, at school
 Mary E., 14 (?) LA, Jul 1886, at school
 Annie, 11 LA, Feb 1889, at school
 Richard, 7 LA, Jul 1882 (?), at school
 John, 6 LA, Feb 1884
 Mary, 4 LA, Jul 1885
 Henry Lapouble, 16 LA, Sep 1883, at school [nephew]
 Oliva Lapouble, 14 LA, Sep 1885, at school [niece]
 Eugene, 13 LA, Jun 1886, at school [nephew]
 Henry White, 73 Ireland, Mar 1827, parents b. Ireland [father]

1910 Galveston, Galveston TX – Avenue J – future wife Bettie
 Bettie Hughes, 31 TX, in 1st marriage, father b. VA, mother b. TX, saleslady, department store
 Frank Hughes, 8 TX, parents b. TX [son]
 Nora Hamburg, 31 TX, parents b. TX, gave birth to 3 children, 3 are living, dressmaker, at home [sister]
 Myrtle Hamburg, 17 TX, parents b. TX, photographer, own place [niece]

1920 Galveston, Galveston TX
 William LETZE, 33 LA, parents b. LA, iron works, wharf
 Bettie Letze, 33 TX, father b. NJ, mother b. TX
 Frank Hugh, 17 TX, parents b. TX, clerk, dry goods [son] [son of Bettie Hughes Leitz]
 & boarder John Beaurle, 38 IL, parents b. IL, carpenter, house

1920 New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA – 2708 Magazine St. – his 2 sons with his former in-laws
 Patrick Sheonahan, 63 RI, parents b. RI, engineer, stationary
 Catherine Sheonahan, 61 LA, parents b. Ireland
 John Sheonahan, 25 LA, father b. RI, mother b. LA, press feeder, paper office [son]
 Joseph Font, 25 LA, parents b. LA, machinist, ship yard [son-in-law]
 Catherine May Font, 25 RI [daughter]
 Edna May Font, 4 LA [granddaughter]
 Julius E. Font, 9 months LA [grandson]
 William Leitz, 10 LA, father b. TX, mother b. LA [grandson]
 Albert Leitz, 11 LA, father b. TX, mother b. LA [grandson]
 Eugene Labolle, 32 LA, screenman, river front [nephew]
 Olivia Whelan, 35 LA, waitress, restaurant [niece]
 Mary Whelan, 11 LA [grandniece]
 Edward Whelan, 6 LA [grandnephew]

1930 Galveston, Galveston TX – 910 Avenue J

William E. Leitz, 43 LA, parents b. LA, 1st marriage at age 20, fireman, Shell Co., veteran status left blank [others on this page answer yes or no]

Betty, 45 TX, father b. NJ, mother b. TX

1930 New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA – 649 Dupre – sister, mother, stepfather

Albert Green, 59 LA, father b. IN, mother b. LA, laborer, stove yard

Lillian Green, 63 LA, father b. Germany, mother b. France [wife]

Hester Leitz, 30 LA, parents b. LA, cashier, public service [stepdaughter]

Catherine Leitz, 17 LA, parents b. LA [granddaughter]

Laurenser Leitz, 14 LA, parents b. LA [grandson]

1940 Galveston, Galveston TX – same place in 1935

William E. Leitz, 54 LA, bartender, club

Betty, 52 TX

1940 New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA – 2000 Robert St. – same place, Orleans Parish LA in 1935 – sister, mother, stepfather

Hester Leitz, 43 LA, teller, electric utility [head of household]

Catherine Leitz, 27 LA, research typist, electric utility [niece]

Albert Grasser, 70 LA, classer, wood stoves [stepfather]

Lillian Grasser, 74 LA [mother]