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Abbreviations:
b = born
d = died
F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)
NOK = next-of-kin

TUSCANIA

Martin, Leon Samuel
1893 TX – 1977 TX

STATE OF TEXAS 015-01-2 015-01 CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 4/23 STATE FILE NO. 40556

1. PLACE OF DEATH
a. COUNTY: Bexar
b. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.): San Antonio
c. LENGTH OF STAY in this place: 53 yrs.
d. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION: Northeast Baptist Hospital
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES [X] NO [ ]

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: residence before admission)
a. STATE: Texas
b. COUNTY: Bexar
c. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.): San Antonio
d. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location): 426 Bailey Avenue
e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES [X] NO [ ]
f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES [ ] NO [X]

3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print): (a) First: LEON (b) Middle: SAMUEL (c) Last: MARTIN
4. DATE OF DEATH: June 9, 1977
5. SEX: Male
6. COLOR OR RACE: White
7. Married [X] Never Married [ ] Widowed [ ] Divorced [ ]
8. DATE OF BIRTH: December 7, 1893
9. AGE (In years last birthday): 83
10a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired): Aircraft Engineer
10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY: Kelly Air Force Base Civil Service
11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country): Texas
12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY?: U.S.A.
13. FATHER'S NAME: James Meredith Martin
14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME: Molly Callaway
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown): Yes (If yes, give war or dates of service): World War I
16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.: 459-34-3432
17. INFORMANT: Mrs Leon S Martin

18. CAUSE OF DEATH [Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).]
PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a): Congestive heart failure — 5-27-77
Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last.
DUE TO (b): Severe pulmonary emphysema — 1968
DUE TO (c): Pneumonitis, left lung — 5-27-77
Arteriosclerotic heart disease — Unknown
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART (a)
19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED?

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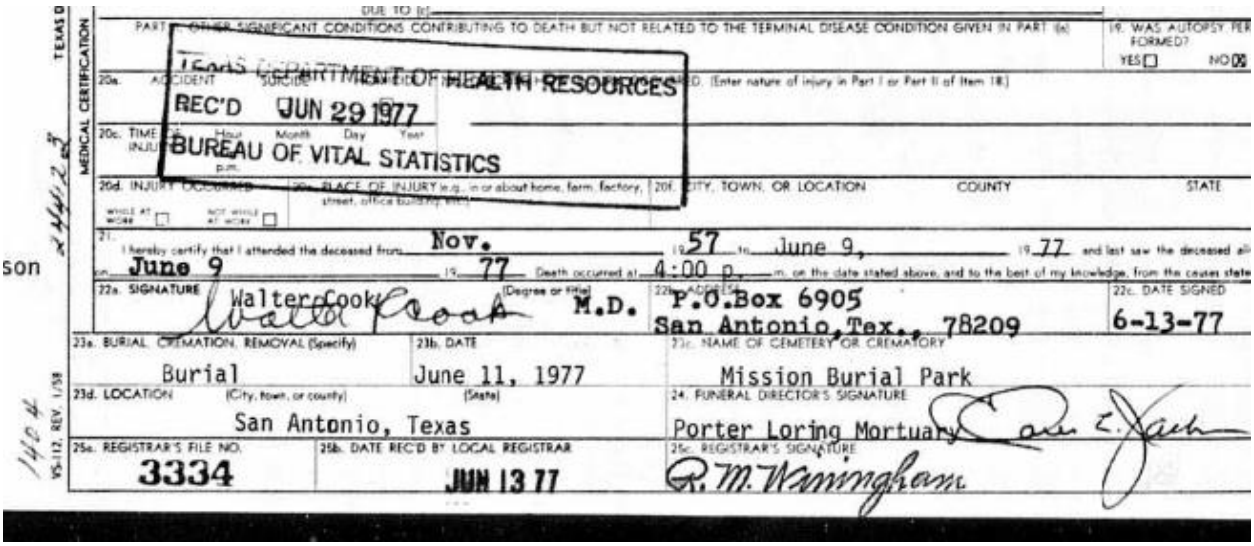

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PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I(a)

19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES ☐ NO ☒

20a. ACCIDENT SUICIDE HOMICIDE (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of Item 18)

20c. TIME OF INJURY Hour Month Day Year a.m. p.m.

20d. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐

20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.)

20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION COUNTY STATE

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21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from Nov. 57 to June 9, 77 and last saw the deceased alive on June 9 19 77 Death occurred at 4:00 p. m. on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated

22a. SIGNATURE Walter Cook (Degree or Title) M.D.

22b. ADDRESS P.O.Box 6905 San Antonio, Tex., 78209

22c. DATE SIGNED 6-13-77

23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Burial

23b. DATE June 11, 1977

23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Mission Burial Park

23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) San Antonio, Texas (State)

24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE Porter Loring Mortuary

25a. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. 3334

25b. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR JUN 13 77

25c. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE R. M. Winningham

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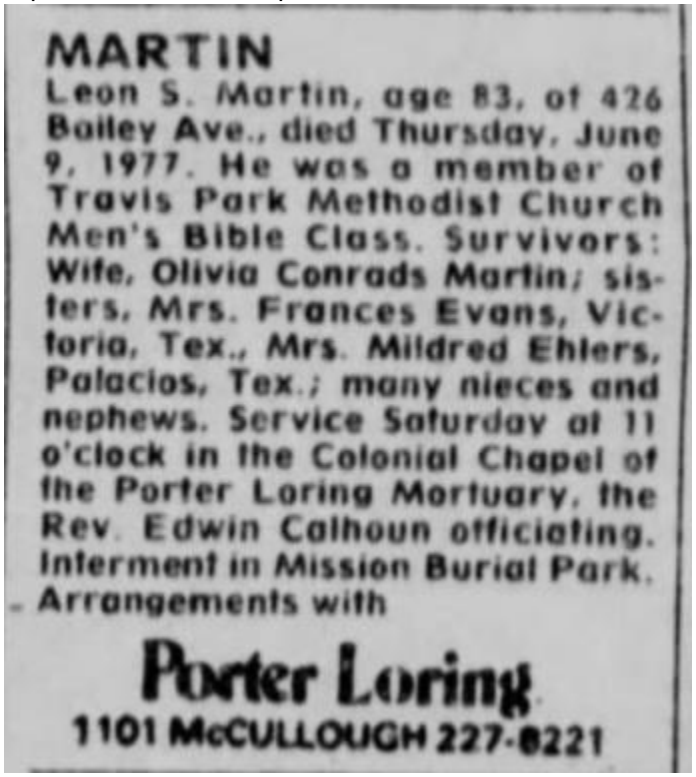
TX death certificate of Leon Samuel Martin - https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2272/images/33154_b063008-00617?usePUB=true&_phsrc=hFB29997&_phstart=successSource&usePUBJs=true&pId=864170



MARTIN

Leon S. Martin, age 83, of 426 Bailey Ave., died Thursday, June 9, 1977. He was a member of Travis Park Methodist Church Men's Bible Class. Survivors: Wife, Olivia Conrads Martin; sisters, Mrs. Frances Evans, Victoria, Tex., Mrs. Mildred Ehlers, Palacios, Tex.; many nieces and nephews. Service Saturday at 11 o'clock in the Colonial Chapel of the Porter Loring Mortuary, the Rev. Edwin Calhoun officiating. Interment in Mission Burial Park. Arrangements with

Porter Loring
1101 McCULLOUGH 227-8221

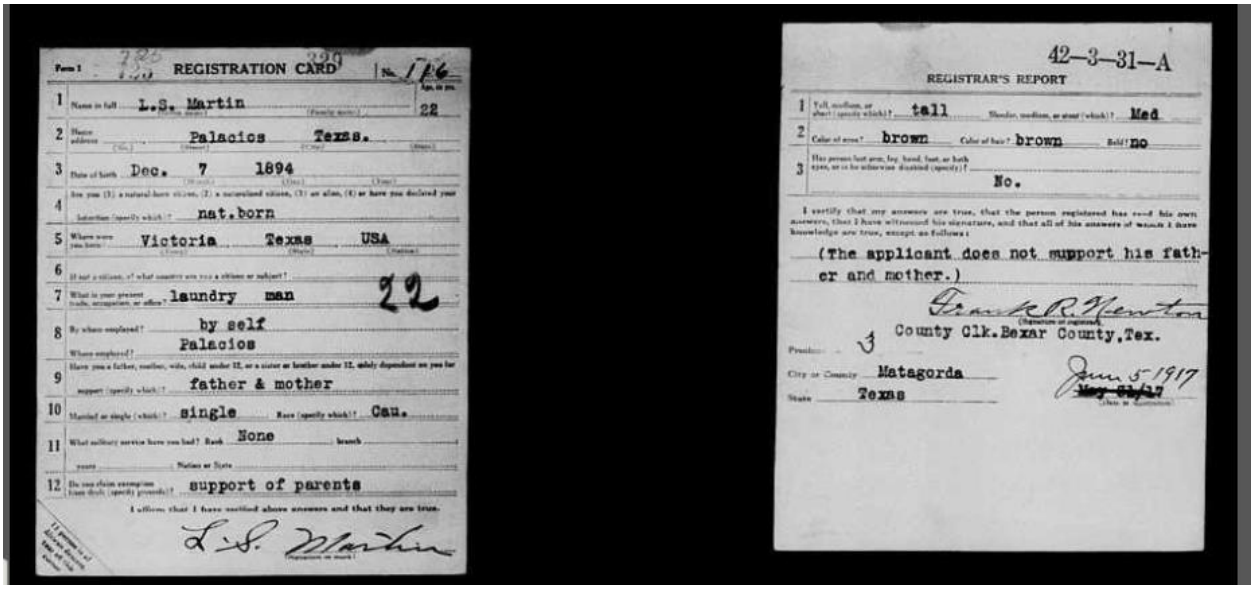
Obituary of Leon Samuel Martin – "San Antonio (TX) Express" Friday 10 Jun 1977 p 35

Palacios Boy on Tuscania Safe.

(Houston Post Special.)

PALACIOS, Texas, Feb. 10.—Friends and relatives of Leon Martin, son of J. M. Martin of this place, have just received a cablegram stating that he had landed safely after being on the torpedoed Tuscania. Young Martin enlisted with the 100th aero squadron several months ago and has been stationed at Washington. At this writing nothing has been heard from Phil DeVant of Bay City, who was also on the same ship.

"Houston (TX) Post" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 2



REGISTRATION CARD

1 Name in full: L.S. Martin — 22
2 Home address: Palacios, Texas.
3 Date of birth: Dec. 7 1894
4 Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which)? nat.born
5 Where were you born? Victoria, Texas, USA
6 If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject?
7 What is your present trade, occupation, or office? laundry man — 22
8 By whom employed? by self. Where employed? Palacios
9 Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother under 12, solely dependent on you for support (specify which)? father & mother
10 Married or single (which)? single. Race (specify which)? Cau.
11 What military service have you had? Rank None; branch; years; Nation or State
12 Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)? support of parents

I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.

L.S. Martin

42–3–31–A

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

1 Tall, medium, or short (specify which)? tall. Slender, medium, or stout (which)? Med
2 Color of eyes? brown. Color of hair? brown. Bald? no
3 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)? No.

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

(The applicant does not support his father and mother.)

Frank R. Newton
County Clk. Bexar County, Tex.

Precinct: 3
City or County: Matagorda
State: Texas

June 5 1917

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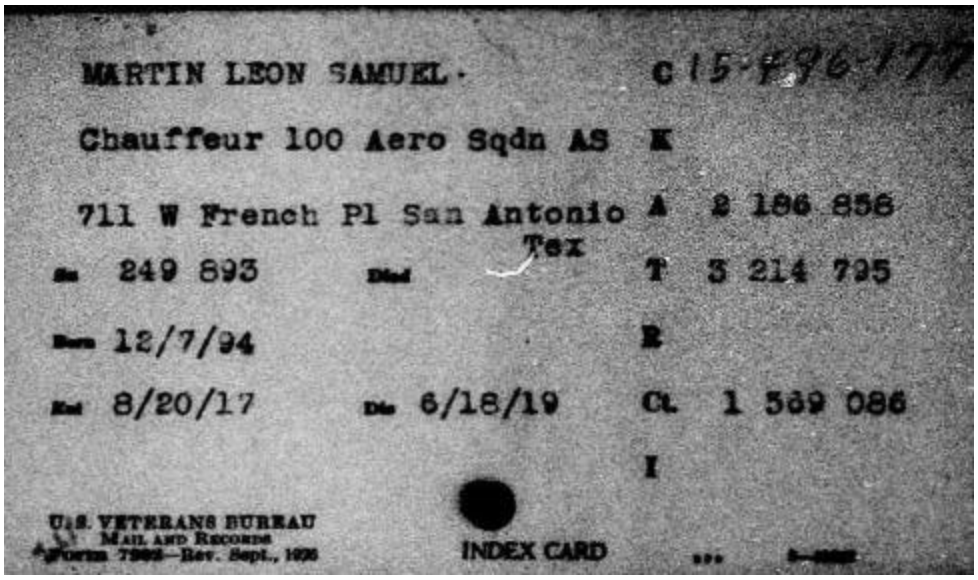
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Chauffeur 100 Aero Sqdn AS K
711 W French Pl San Antonio Tex A 2 186 856
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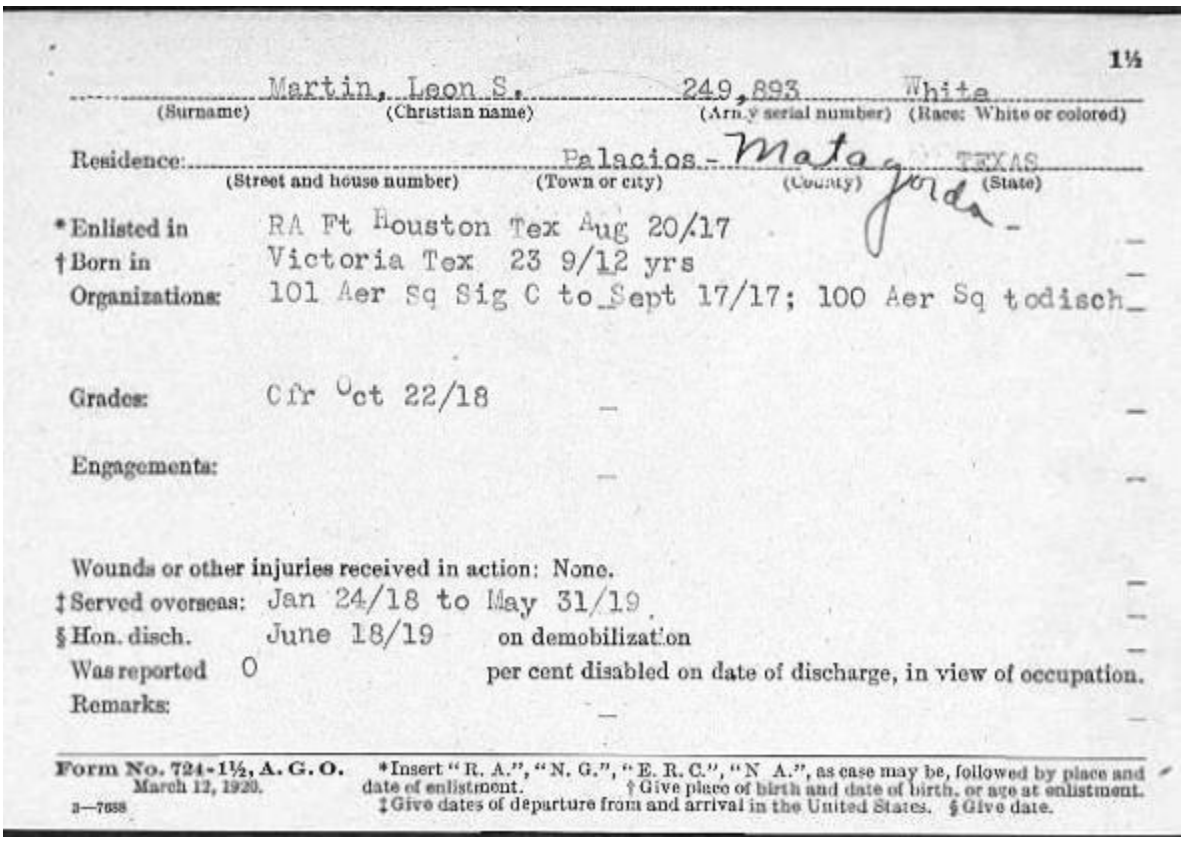
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Martin, Leon S. 249,893 White
(Surname) (Christian name) (Army serial number) (Race: White or colored)

Residence: Palacios Mata[illegible] TEXAS
(Street and house number) (Town or city) (County) (State)

*Enlisted in RA Ft Houston Tex Aug 20/17
†Born in Victoria Tex 23 9/12 yrs
Organizations: 101 Aer Sq Sig C to Sept 17/17; 100 Aer Sq todisch

Grades: Cfr Oct 22/18

Engagements:

Wounds or other injuries received in action: None.
‡Served overseas: Jan 24/18 to May 31/19
§Hon. disch. June 18/19 on demobilization
Was reported 0 per cent disabled on date of discharge, in view of occupation.
Remarks:

Form No. 724-1½, A. G. O. March 12, 1920. 3—7658
*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 dates of departure from and arrival in the United States. §Give date.

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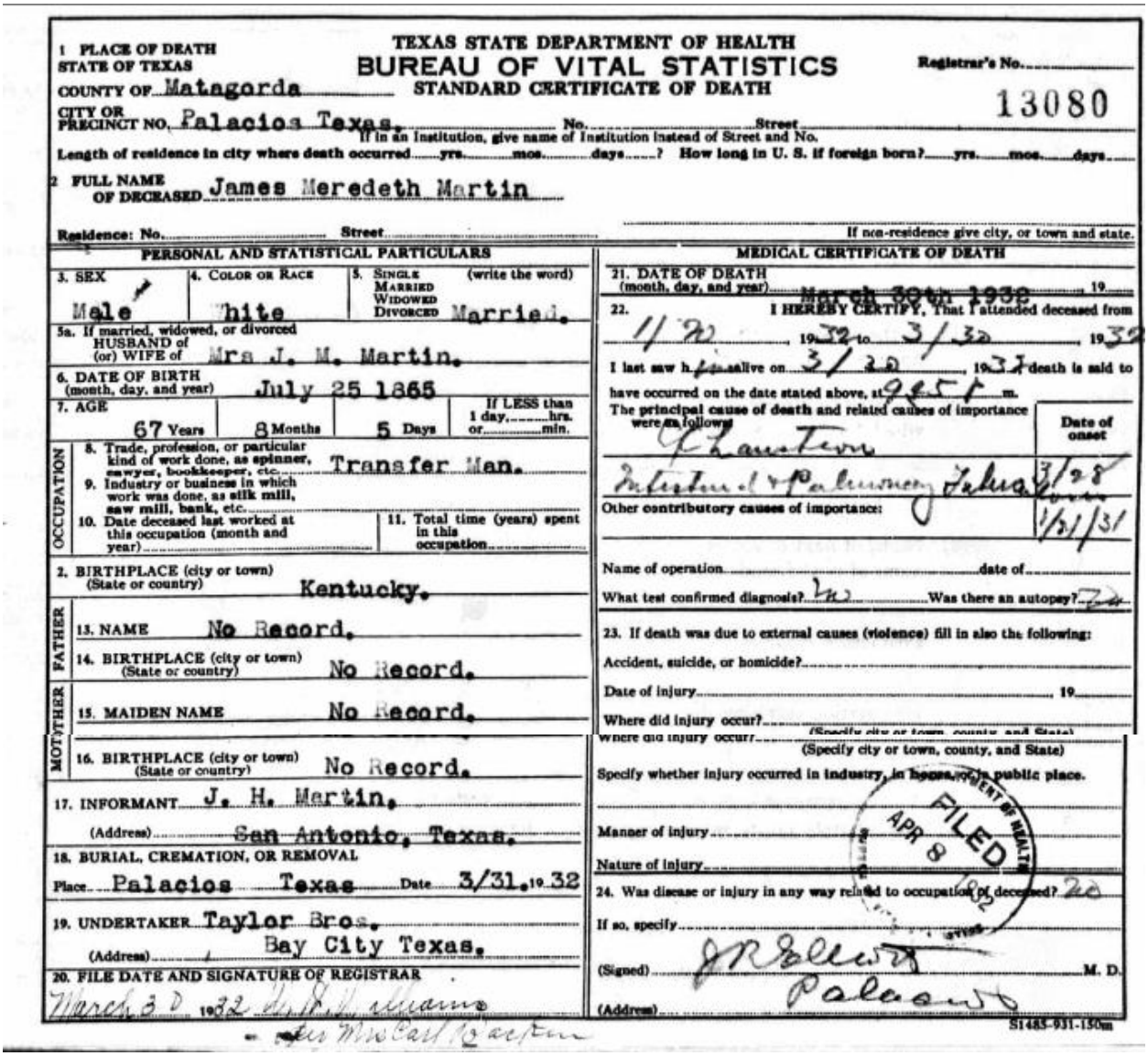
Father:



1 PLACE OF DEATH
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF Matagorda
CITY OR PRECINCT NO. Palacios Texas.

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

Registrar's No. 13080

If in an institution, give name of Institution instead of Street and No.
Length of residence in city where death occurred ... yrs. ... mos. ... days ... ? How long in U. S. if foreign born? ... yrs. ... mos. ... days.

2 FULL NAME OF DECEASED James Meredeth Martin

Residence: No. ... Street ... If non-residence give city, or town and state.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX: Male
4. COLOR OR RACE: White
5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED (write the word): Married.
5a. If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of: Mrs J. M. Martin.
6. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year): July 25 1865
7. AGE: 67 Years 8 Months 5 Days; If LESS than 1 day ... hrs. or ... min.

OCCUPATION
8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, bookkeeper, etc.: Transfer Man.
9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, saw mill, bank, etc.:
10. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year):
11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation:

2. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country): Kentucky.

FATHER
13. NAME: No Record.
14. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country): No Record.

MOTHER
15. MAIDEN NAME: No Record.
16. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country): No Record.

17. INFORMANT: J. H. Martin.
(Address): San Antonio, Texas.

18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL
Place: Palacios Texas Date: 3/31, 1932

19. UNDERTAKER: Taylor Bros.
(Address): Bay City Texas.

20. FILE DATE AND SIGNATURE OF REGISTRAR
March 30 1932 [illegible]
Mrs Mildred Martin

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year): March 30th 1932
22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from 1/32 to 3/32
I last saw h[illegible] alive on 3/30 and death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at 9:45 p m.
The principal cause of death and related causes of importance were as follows:

	Date of onset
Cancer	
Intestinal Paralysis	3/28
Other contributory causes of importance:	1/31/31

Name of operation ... date of ...
What test confirmed diagnosis? ... Was there an autopsy? ...

23. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following:
Accident, suicide, or homicide?
Date of injury ... 19...
Where did injury occur? ... (Specify city or town, county, and State)
Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place.
Manner of injury
Nature of injury

24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? No
If so, specify

(Signed) [signature] M. D.
(Address) Palacios

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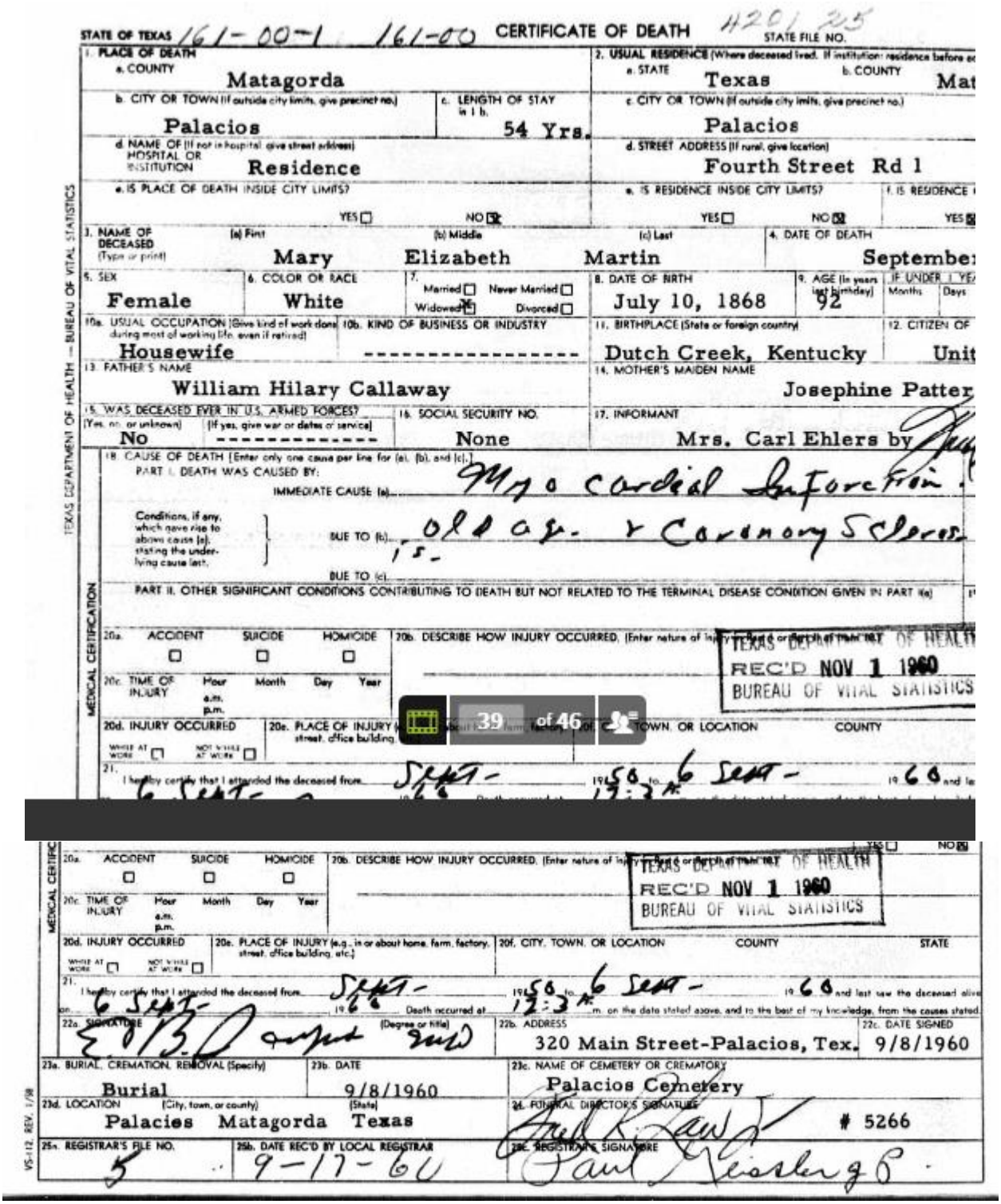
TX death record of father James Meredith Martin - https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2272/images/40394_b062033-03513?pId=21654139

Mother:

Mother Mary Elizabeth (Molly/Mollie) Callaway Martin - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/5932067/person/6164847226/media/597a30af-a6a1-4f7c-9924-5eb12f460910



STATE OF TEXAS 161-00-1 161-00 CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 4201 25 STATE FILE NO.

1. PLACE OF DEATH
a. COUNTY: Matagorda
b. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.): Palacios
c. LENGTH OF STAY in this place: 54 Yrs.
d. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION: Residence
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: Mat
c. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.): Palacios
d. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location): Fourth Street Rd 1
e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☐ NO ☒
f. IS RESIDENCE YES ☒

3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print): (a) First: Mary (b) Middle: Elizabeth (c) Last: Martin
4. DATE OF DEATH: Septembe
5. SEX: Female
6. COLOR OR RACE: White
7. Married ☐ Never Married ☐ Widowed ☒ Divorced ☐
8. DATE OF BIRTH: July 10, 1868
9. AGE (In years last birthday): 92 IF UNDER 1 YEAR: Months / Days
10a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired): Housewife
10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY: ----------
11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country): Dutch Creek, Kentucky
12. CITIZEN OF: Unit
13. FATHER'S NAME: William Hilary Callaway
14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME: Josephine Patter
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown): No (If yes, give war or dates of service): ----------
16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.: None
17. INFORMANT: Mrs. Carl Ehlers by

MEDICAL CERTIFICATION

18. CAUSE OF DEATH [Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).]
PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a): Myo Cardial Infarction
Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last.
DUE TO (b): old age. Coronary Sclerosis
DUE TO (c):
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I(a)

20a. ACCIDENT ☐ SUICIDE ☐ HOMICIDE ☐
20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury, and if fracture, indicate whether open or closed.)
20c. TIME OF INJURY: Hour a.m. p.m. / 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 building, etc.)
20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION / COUNTY / STATE

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
REC'D NOV 1 1960
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from Sept - 1960 to 6 Sept - 1960 and last saw the deceased alive on 6 Sept - 1960. Death occurred at 12:3* m. on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.

22a. SIGNATURE: E B [illegible] (Degree or title) MD
22b. ADDRESS: 320 Main Street-Palacios, Tex.
22c. DATE SIGNED: 9/8/1960

23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify): Burial
23b. DATE: 9/8/1960
23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY: Palacios Cemetery
23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State): Palacios Matagorda Texas
24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: [illegible] # 5266
25a. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO.: 5
25b. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR: 9-17-60
25c. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE: Paul Meisler

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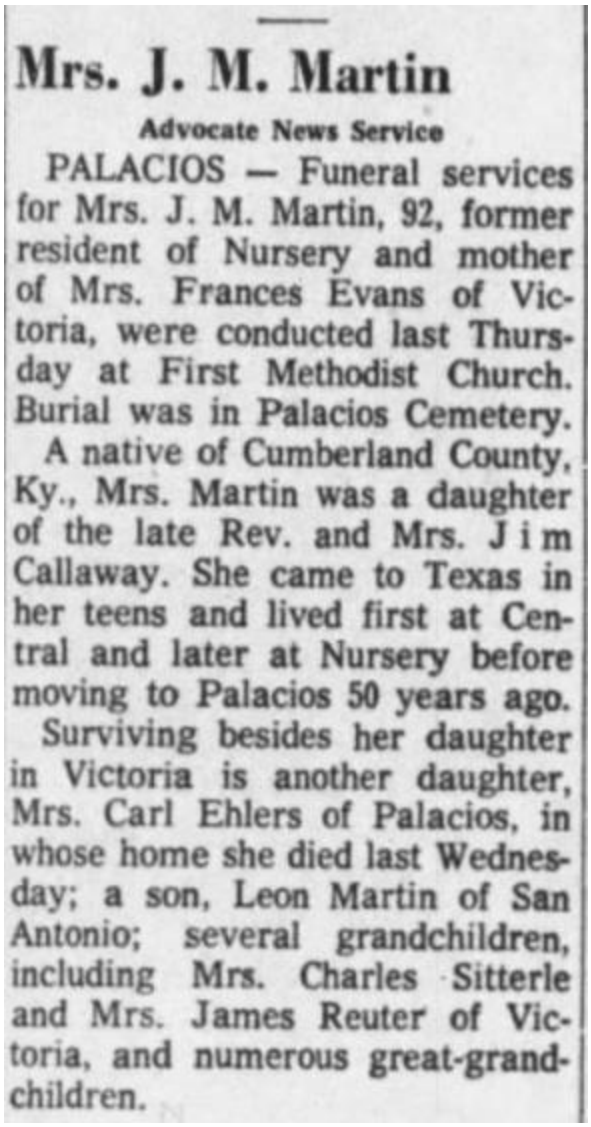
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH — BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

TX death record of mother Mary Elizabeth Callaway Martin - https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2272/images/40394_b062577-03383?pId=23225411



Mrs. J. M. Martin

Advocate News Service

PALACIOS — Funeral services for Mrs. J. M. Martin, 92, former resident of Nursery and mother of Mrs. Frances Evans of Victoria, were conducted last Thursday at First Methodist Church. Burial was in Palacios Cemetery.

A native of Cumberland County, Ky., Mrs. Martin was a daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. Jim Callaway. She came to Texas in her teens and lived first at Central and later at Nursery before moving to Palacios 50 years ago.

Surviving besides her daughter in Victoria is another daughter, Mrs. Carl Ehlers of Palacios, in whose home she died last Wednesday; a son, Leon Martin of San Antonio; several grandchildren, including Mrs. Charles Sitterle and Mrs. James Reuter of Victoria, and numerous great-grandchildren.

Obituary of mother Mary Elizabeth Callaway Martin – "Victoria (TX) Advocate" Tuesday 13 Sep 1960 p 10

Wife:

PALACIOS.

Mrs. Leon Martin, who has been visiting for the past three weeks at the Martin home, was accompanied to her home in San Antonio by her sister-in-law, Miss Mildred Martin, Thursday morning. While there Miss Martin will attend the carnival of flowers.

"Galveston (TX) Daily News" Sunday 16 Apr 1922 p 15

Siblings:

Sister Ira Martin on her wedding day, with Cephas/Cephal Haynes - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/5932067/person/6164002975/media/14c99fec-b853-4438-ad0d-4ad7d56851d5

Brother James Hillary Martin in center, with wife Lucile Dursana Tansil on left of photo & Lucile's sister Alice on far right - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/5932067/person/6165003641/media/d61d34e6-6f75-49ff-9ee3-c77f45734026

Frances Evans

Frances Evans, 97, of Victoria, died Sunday in a local hospital.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at First United Methodist Church with the Revs. Jerry Smith and Gregg Hackett officiating.

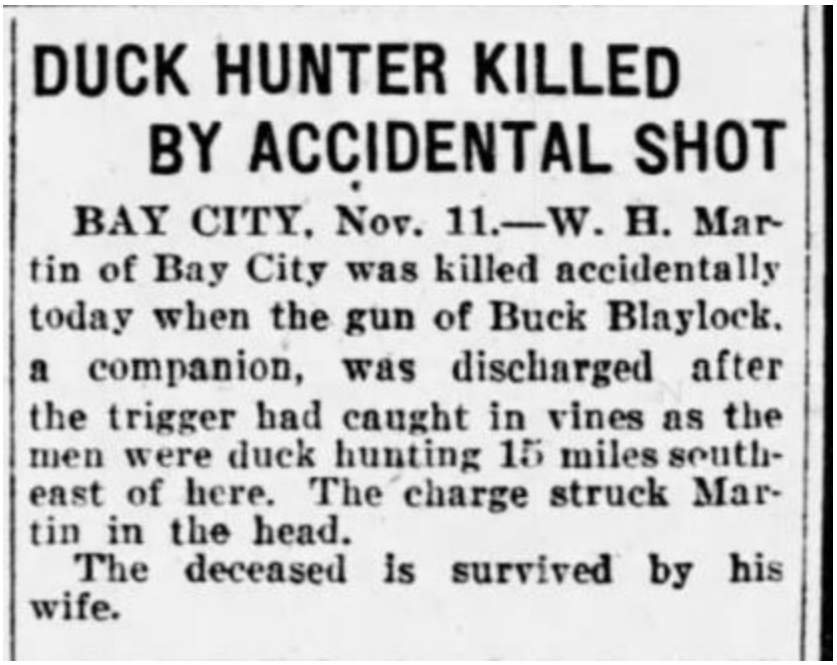
Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Colonial Funeral Home.

Mrs. Evans was born Oct. 6, 1891, in Belton, to the late James Hillary and Mary Elizabeth Callaway Martin. A longtime resident of Victoria, she was a retired cafeteria worker for the public school system. She was a member of First United Methodist Church.

She is survived by two daughters, Norine Sitterle and Mildred Reuter, both of Victoria; a sister, Mildred Ehlers of Palacios; two grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church.

Obituary of sister Frances Martin Evans (1891-1989) – "Victoria (TX) Advocate" Tuesday 4 Jul 1989 p 16



DUCK HUNTER KILLED BY ACCIDENTAL SHOT

BAY CITY, Nov. 11.—W. H. Martin of Bay City was killed accidentally today when the gun of Buck Blaylock, a companion, was discharged after the trigger had caught in vines as the men were duck hunting 15 miles southeast of here. The charge struck Martin in the head.

The deceased is survived by his wife.

Hunting accident death of brother Walter Harper Martin on 11 Nov 1929 – "Fort Worth (TX) Star-Telegram" Tuesday 12 Nov 1929 p 3

MAN ACCIDENTALLY SLAIN AT BAY CITY LIVED AT NURSERY

W. H. Martin, 35, who was accidentally killed by his companion, Buck Blaylock, while shooting ducks at a pond eight miles southeast of Bay City early Monday morning, was the nephew of Mrs. H. G. King of this city.

Mrs. King, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. H. Callaway, and brother, Rev. J. C. Callaway of Nursery, left that night by the way of Placedo for Palacios, where the funeral was held.

Mr. Martin is survived by his wife, one little son, his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. James Martin of Palacios, two brothers, two sisters and his aged grandmother, who makes her home with Mrs. King of this city.

The Martin family lived for many years near Nursery, where Mr. Martin had many friends who will be greived to hear of his tragic death.

Shooting death of brother Walter Harper Martin – "Victoria (TX) Advocate" Wednesday 13 Nov 1929 p 1

MILDRED EHLERS

PALACIOS — Mildred Lena Martin Ehlers, 92, of Palacios died Thursday, Feb. 29, 1996.

She was born May 19, 1903, in Nursery to the late James Meredith and Mary Elizabeth Callaway Martin. She was one of the first telephone operators in Palacios and later worked as operator in Bay City and San Antonio. She was a receptionist for Friends of Elder Citizens and taught crafts at the Senior Center for many years. Mrs. Ehlers was a member of Library Board, Girl Scout Council and Athena Club and she was a Sunday School teacher. She was chosen Outstanding Senior Citizens for the State of Texas and was selected Woman of the Year by Palacios Chamber of Commerce.

Survivors: daughter, Carla Diane Edge of Robstown; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Preceded in death by: husband, Carl Rudolph Ehlers; sisters, Ira Martin Haynes and Frances Martin Evans and brothers, James Meredith Martin, Leon Simpson Martin and Walter Harper Martin.

Services will be 10 a.m. Monday at First United Methodist Church in Palacios, the Revs. Clifford C. Edge and Ross Taylor officiating.

Burial will be at Palacios Cemetery, Taylor Brothers Funeral Home, Palacios, 972-2012.

Obituary of sister Mildred Lena Martin Ehlers (1903-1966) – "Victoria (TX) Advocate" Saturday 2 Mar 1996 p 14

Name: Leon Samuel Martin
Name variations: L.S. Martin
Military:
On Tuscania: 100th Aero Squadron, 2nd Squad - private
Serial number: 249,893
Entered service from: Palacios, Matagorda TX
Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Leon S. Martin
Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father J.M. Martin, Palacios TX
Returned from war on: "Louisville" May 1919
Sailed on return ship as: Leon S. Martin
Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father James M. Martin, Palacios TX (chauffeur, 100th Aero Sq)
World War I draft registration (1917): as L.S. Martin - b. 7 Dec 1894 Victoria TX; res: Palacios, Matagorda TX. Single. Laundry man, by self, Palacios TX. Dependent father & mother. Claimed exemption from draft: "support of parents." – tall in height, medium build. Registrar adds note: "The applicant does not support his father and mother."
National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): Palacios TX
World War II draft registration (1942): as Leon Samuel Martin - b. 7 Dec 1893 Victoria TX; res: 426 Bailey, San Antonio, Bexar TX. NOK Mrs. L.S. Martin, same address. Employed in Engineering Department, Ass. Unit, Duncan Field, Bexar TX. Card is signed L.S. Martin. Height: 5'11" – 165 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:
Enlisted: 20 Aug 1917
Discharged: 18 Jun 1919
Address: 711 W. French Place, San Antonio TX
Rank/unit: chauffeur, 100th Aero Squadron

TX, WWI military record:
Leon S. Martin, serial 249893. Resident of Palacios, Matagorda TX. Born Victoria TX. Enlisted in the Army at Fort Houston TX on 20 Aug 1917 at age 23 years, 9 months. In 101st Aero Squadron, Signal C to 17 Sep 1917 – in 100th Aero Squadron to discharge. Promoted to chauffeur 22 Oct 1918. Overseas 24 Jan 1918 to 31 May 1919. Discharged 18 Jun 1919. 0% disabled.

Birth & death:
Born: 7 Dec 1893 (SSDI) or 7 Dec 1894 (TX military records) Victoria, Victoria TX
Died: 9 Jun 1977 San Antonio, Bexar TX (Northeast Baptist Hospital)
Find A Grave record: 154167442 – presence on Tuscania indicated in text
Burial location: San Antonio, Bexar TX
Cemetery: Mission Burial Park South
Tombstone:

Father: James Meredith Martin, 25 Jul 1856 KY – 30 Mar 1932 Palacios, Matagorda TX. Son of James L. Martin & Francis Jane (Fannie) Tarpley Martin Rivers. Buried in Palacios Cemetery, Palacios, Matagorda TX.
Find A Grave: 145437933

Mother: Mary Elizabeth (Molly/Mollie) Callaway Martin, 10 Jul 1868 Dutch Creek, Cumberland KY – 7 Sep 1960 Palacios, Matagorda TX. Daughter of William Hillary Callaway (1840-1924) & Josephine (Josie) Rosine Patterson (1846-1932). Buried in Palacios Cemetery, Palacios, Matagorda TX.

Find A Grave: 154167251
Parents' marriage:

Spouse: Olivia Conrads Martin, 25 Jul 1896 Bexar Co. TX – 5 Dec 1983 San Antonio, Bexar TX. Daughter of Otto Daniel Conrads & Wilhelmina Kate Rippstein. Buried in Mission Burial Park South, San Antonio, Bexar TX.
Spouse Find A Grave: 176874738
Marriage: 12 Jun 1924 Bexar Co. TX. (Records are sketchy and cannot find this record linked to Leon. A "Leon S. Martin" is also listed as marrying (no bride's names given) on 5 Oct 1921 & 18 Jan 1922, both in Bexar Co. TX.)

Children:

Siblings: Leon Samuel was the 4th child.

- Ira Martin Haynes, 12 Feb 1888 TX – 18 Aug 1920 Bay City, Matagorda TX. Wife of Cephas/Cephal Haynes (1881-1956, F: 148138003), whom she married 15 Nov 1906 in Nursery, Victoria TX. His name, according to his Find A Grave record, has two spellings on official records.Cephas/Cephal married again, in 1922, to Mabel Billings (1892-1968). Buried in Palacios Cemetery, Palacios, Matagorda TX. F: 144855082
- James Hillary/Hilry Martin, 7 Dec 1889 Bell Co. TX – 25 Oct 1945 San Antonio, Bexar TX. Married on 2 Mar 1913 in Matagorda Co. TX to Lucile Dursana Tansil (1892-1956, F: 228840544). – When he registered for the WWI draft, he listed a wife & 1 child & was a druggist in San Antonio TX. - Buried in Mission Burial Park South, San Antonio, Bexar TX. F: 154167326
- Frances Martin Evans, 6 Oct 1891 Belton, Bell TX – 2 Jul 1989 Victoria, Victoria TX. Wife of William Henry Evans (1891-1937, F: 98816939). Has been confused in Ancestry.com & Find A Grave with a man named Frank Martin (F: 10395269). Buried in Memorial Park Cemetery, Victoria, Victoria TX. F: 98817044
- Walter Harper (W.H.) Martin, 22 Feb 1897 TX – 11 Nov 1929 Bay City, Matagorda TX. Killed by an accidental gunshot from his duck-hunting partner, Buck Blaylock, when the gun's trigger was caught by vines while they were hunting 15 miles southeast of Bay City TX. W.H. was struck in the head. One obituary says he was survived by a wife, the other by a wife & little son. His TX death record lists cause of death as: "accidental gun shot wounds" & lists his wife as Mary Martha Martin. Buried in Palacios Cemetery, Palacios, Matagorda TX. F: 145437946
- Mildred Lena Martin Ehlers, 19 May 1903 Nursery, Victoria TX – 29 Feb 1966 Palacios, Matagorda TX. Wife of Carl Rudolph Ehlers (1906-1962, F: 144470666). Buried in Palacios Cemetery, Palacios, Matagorda TX. F: 144470687

Notes:

Pre-war:

1917 San Antonio TX city directory: his future wife & her family members
Conrads
Leo, clerk, GH & SA, resident of 2012 Virginia Blvd.
Oliva, clerk, Conness Realty Co., resident of 2012 Virginia Blvd.

Oswald, clerk, SAP, resident of 2012 Virginia Blvd.
Otto (Minnie), painter, resident of 2012 Virginia Blvd.

Wartime:

“Houston (TX) Post” Sunday 19 Aug 1917 p 14 – at the US Army Station, Binz Building, Houston TX, - “Saturday’s Recruits in Houston District” included Leon S. Martin of Palacios TX.

“La Meschabebe” (Bonne Carre LA) Saturday 16 Feb 1918 p 1 – among the Texans rescued from Tuscania: Leo S. Martin, Palacios TX.

Post-war:

1927 San Antonio TX city directory:
Martin, Leon S. (Olivia), proprietor, Community Pharmacy, resident of 1910 Virginia Blvd.

Obituary:

“San Antonio (TX) Express" 10 Jun 1977 p 35 - Leon S. Martin, age 83, res: 426 Bailey Ave., San Antonio, survived by wife Olivia (Conrads) & 2 sisters. Funeral 11 Jun 1977, burial Mission Burial Park

Social Security number: 459-34-3432

Censuses:

1900 Justice Precinct 5, Victoria Co. TX
Jas. M. Martin, 34 KY, Jul 1865, parents b. VA, married 13 years, nursery laborer
Mollie E., 31 KY, Jul 1868, parents b. NC, gave birth to 5 children, 5 are living
Ira M., 12 TX, Feb 1888 [daughter]
Jas. H., 10 TX, Dec 1889 [son – James Hillary]
Frank J., 8 TX, Oct 1891 [misidentified as son, but is daughter Frances]
Samuel L., 6 TX, Jan 1893 [son – Frank Samuel]
Hooper W., 3 TX, Jan 1897 [son – Walter Harper]

1910 Justice Precinct 7, Matagorda Co. TX
James M. Martin, 45 KY, father b. KY, mother b. VA, in 1st marriage, married 23 years, teamster, general hauling
Mollie, 41 KY, parents b. NC, in 1st marriage, gave birth to 6 children, 6 are living
James, 20 TX, salesman, drug store
Francis, 18 TX [here identified as daughter]
Leon, 16 TX
Harper, 13 TX, driver, butcher wagon
The previous census entry is for Mollie’s parents, William H. & Josephine R. Callaway.

1930 San Antonio, Bexar TX – 1910 Virginia Blvd. – living with in-laws
Otto Conrads, 69 TX, parents b. Germany, age 26 at 1st marriagepaper hanger, house
Minnie Conrads, 64 TX, parents b. Germany, age 21 at 1st marriage [wife]

Ruth Conrads, 23 TX, parents b. TX, single, stenographer, lawyer office [daughter]
Clarence Conrads, 22 TX, parents b. TX, clerk, security company [son]
Leon S. Martin, 32 TX, parents b. TX, married, age 27 at 1st marriage, salesman, oil station, answers "no" to "are you a veteran?" – but the answer "no" is recorded for every man on this page so perhaps the question wasn't asked? [son-in-law]
Olive Martin, 30 TX, parents b. TX, married, age 25 at 1st marriage, bookkeeper, insurance company [daughter]

1940 San Antonio, Bexar TX – 426 Bailey – same house in 1935
Leon S. Martin, 46 TX, mechanic, government
Olivia, 43 TX