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Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

TUSCANIA

McGee, Thomas Michael
1894 MN – 1949 WI



<https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/109001053/person/210071071802/media/fd1ebec2-7b3e-4e3d-b773-454c7a0e8301>

ORIGINAL

Born: Minn. (Ann)

CHECK TYPE REQUIRED (See Instructions attached)		APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE OR MARKER (Please make out and return in duplicate)	
☒ UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE	ENLISTMENT DATE 7-20-17	SERIAL No. 18 181	EMBLEM (Check one) ☒ CHRISTIAN ☐ HEBREW ☐ NONE
☐ FLAT MARBLE MARKER	DISCHARGE DATE 5-26-19	PENSION No. 1 181 563	
☐ FLAT GRANITE MARKER		STATE Wisconsin	RANK Wagoner
☐ BRONZE MARKER (NOTE RESTRICTIONS)		U. S. REGIMENT, STATE ORGANIZATION, AND DIVISION 1st Sanitary Regiment <i>no Div</i>	
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) MC GEE, Thomas M.		COMPANY 7th San Supply Co	
DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year) July 4, 1894	DATE OF DEATH (Month, Day, Year) June 29, 1949	LOCATION (City and State) Milwaukee, Wisconsin	
NAME OF CEMETERY Veterans Administration		NEAREST FREIGHT STATION (City and State) West Allis, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin	
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) Manager, Veterans Administration (SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE)		POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE Wood, Wisconsin	
DO NOT WRITE HERE		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.	
FOR VERIFICATION AUG 5 1949	ORDERED SEP 1949	APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE D. C. Firmin	
B/L 6348397	SHIPPED TATE, GA. - 9 SEP 1949	DATE OF APPLICATION July 29, 1949	
ADDRESS (Street, City, State) D. C. FIRMIN, Manager Veterans Administration, Wood, Wisconsin			

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Wife:



Wife Ellen Magdallen ("Helen") Dolan McGee Wilson (1899-1981) –

<https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/109001053/person/210144075914/media/6df5994d-04de-418f-803d-83c32d4f3dfa>

Name Helen Wilson

Social Security # 548072811

Gender Female

Birth Date 23 Jun 1899

Birth Place Wisconsin

Death Date 26 Feb 1981

Death Place Alameda

Mother's Maiden Name Gorman

Father's Surname Dolan

California, Death Index, 1940-1997

<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/109001053/person/210144075914/facts>

Arnold D. Spring, 33, Los Angeles;
Heleen M. McGee, 33, Long Beach.

Marriage license with Arnold D. Spring - "Santa Ana (CA) Register" Saturday 5 Aug 1933 p 3

- https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/31103054/person/12366622949/media/4ab12005-0946-48b7-84e7-fa046ef8ed02?_phsrc=hFB32937&_phstart=successSource

Father:

Former Resident Of County Passes After An Illness

James R. McGee, 79, former Sheboygan county resident, died Monday at Columbia hospital, Milwaukee, after being in ill health for the past five months.

A native of the town of Holland, the deceased was born in December, 1867,* the son of Thomas and Rose McGee. He was married to Bridget O'Malley in the county many years ago, and more than 40 years ago moved to Milwaukee. The couple lived there since that time.

Survivors include three sons, William, Thomas and James, Jr., and one daughter, Mrs. Frances DeChant, all of Milwaukee, and the following nieces and nephews in the Sheboygan area: Mrs. Theodore Lawrence, Sheboygan Falls; Mrs. George Arndt, Town Wilson; Vincent Mulbey, Cascade, and Mrs. Rose Brown, Dundee. His wife preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be held at

8:30 p. m. Thursday at the S. S. Peacock & Sons Funeral home, 1028 N. Van Buren street, and at 9 a. m. at Holy Rosary church. Burial will be made in Holy Cross cemetery, Milwaukee.

Obituary of father John R. McGee – "Sheboygan (WI) Press" Wednesday 20 Nov 1946 p 14

Mother:



Mother Bridget F. O'Malia McGee - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/109001053/person/210071070313/media/009cc28c-e9e4-4262-a196-8bb3b5575589>

Siblings:



Sister Frances Irene McGee DeChant - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/109001053/person/210068992662/media/d2b300a0-9587-49d7-ba63-ee58e11fec05>

Born Wisconsin ORIGINAL *RW*

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☒ FLAT GRANITE MARKER	DISCHARGE DATE	PENSION No.	☐ HEBREW		
☐ BRONZE MARKER	<i>DEC. 13, 1918</i>		☐ NONE <i>15th Prov Co</i>		
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	STATE	RANK	COMPANY		
<i>McGEE, JAMES H.</i>	<i>WIS.</i>	<i>PVT.</i>	<i>AIR SERVICE</i>		
DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year)	U. S. REGIMENT, STATE ORGANIZATION, AND DIVISION				
<i>DEC. 7, 1898</i>	<i>15th Prov Company Air Service Dept</i>				
DATE OF DEATH (Month, Day, Year)	<i>U.S. Army Garden City N.Y.</i>				
<i>SEPT. 5, 1954</i>					
NAME OF CEMETERY	LOCATION (City and State)				
<i>HOLY CROSS CEMETERY</i>	<i>MILWAUKEE, WIS.</i>				
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)		NEAREST FREIGHT STATION (City and State)			
<i>Mrs Robert L. Zahn</i>		<i>Milwaukee Wisc</i>			
(SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE)		POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE			
		<i>3653 N. 8th St</i>			
DO NOT WRITE HERE		I certify this application is submitted for a stone for the unmarked grave of a veteran.			
FOR VERIFICATION		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.			
ORDERED		<i>Mrs Ethel McGee</i>			
B/L		APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE			
SHIPPED		DATE OF APPLICATION			
<i>WY 3904430</i>		<i>9-28-54</i>			
<i>OCT 21 1954</i>		ADDRESS (Street, City, State)			
		<i>3653 A N. 8th St, MILWAUKEE, WIS.</i>			

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Brother James Henry McGee -

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2375/images/40050_2421401697_0425-02549?pId=1236997

Name: Thomas Michael McGee

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Sanitary #1 - mechanic

Serial number: 18,181

Entered service from: Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Thomas M. McGee

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": mother Mrs. James R. McGee, 380 Brady St., Milwaukee WI

Returned from war on: "Rhode Island" May 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Thomas M. McGee

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Bridget Mc Gee, 380 Brady St., Milwaukee WI (mechanic, Sanitary Squad 7)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Thomas M. McGee - b. 4 Jul 1895 Chandler MN; res: 380 Brady St., Milwaukee WI. Single. Dependent mother. Auto service man & instru----, Maxwell Motor Co., 192 Wisconsin St., Milwaukee WI. Medium height & build.

World War II draft registration (1942): as Thomas Michael McGee - b. 4 Jul 1894 Fenton MN; res: 520 E. Juneau Ave., Milwaukee WI (rooming house). NOK Mrs. Jno. Dechant, 2621 N.

Stowall Ave., Milwaukee WI [sister]. Employed by WPA, 232 N. Broadway, Milwaukee WI.

Height: 5'10" – 180 lbs. Description of identifying mark hard to read: "scar one inch on right --- and --- inches long on left ----"

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted:

Discharged:

Address:

Rank/unit:

Birth & death:

Born: 4 Jul 1894 Fenton, Murray MN – also found as Holland, Sheboygan WI (date according to WWII draft card, Find A Grave & tombstone) [alternative: 4 Jul 1895 Chandler, Murray MN (WWI draft)]

Died: 29 Jun 1949 Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI

Find A Grave record: 89612325 – presence on Tuscania indicated in flower

Burial location: Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI

Cemetery: Wood National

Tombstone: not pictured: Wagoner, US Army WWI

Father: James R. McGee, Dec 1867 Holland, Sheboygan WI – 18 Nov 1946 Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI. Son of Thomas McGee & Rose Ann Lamb. Moved to Milwaukee WI more than 40 years before his death. Buried in Holy Cross Cemetery & Mausoleum, Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI.

Find A Grave: 180281930

Mother: Bridget F. O'Malia (O'Maley/O'Malley) McGee, 20 Apr 1862 Mitchell, Sheboygan WI – 9 Nov 1930 Milwaukee Co. WI. Daughter of Michael O'Malia & Nancy Ann Coyne. Buried in Holy Cross Cemetery & Mausoleum, Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI.

Find A Grave: 180282976

Parents' marriage:

Spouse: Ellen Magdallen (Helen) Dolan McGee Spring Wilson (more husbands?), 23 Jun 1899 WI – 26 Feb 1981 Alameda Co. CA. SSN 548-07-2811. Daughter of John A. Dolan & Elizabeth (Liza) Gorman. Obtained marriage license with Arnold D. Spring in Aug 1933 in CA (see above). Died as Helen Wilson.

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage: 28 May 1921 Cook Co. IL. Divorced between 1930 & 1933.

Children:

Siblings:

- William Edward ("Bill") McGee, 11 Sep 1890 Chandler, Murray MN - . Married on 26 Nov 1913 in Chicago, Cook IL to Agnes T. Fallon. He was age 23, she was age 19
- Frances Irene McGee DeChant, 27 Apr 1892 Chilton, Calumet WI – Apr 1974 Thiensville, Ozaukee WI. SSN 395-38-3558. Wife of John Henry DeChant (1887-1938).
- Lawrence P. ("Larry") McGee, 7 Aug 1896 Chandler, Murray MN (WWI draft), also found as 12 Apr 1896 Holland, Sheboygan WI – . On his WWI draft (1917) he lived at 380 Brady, Milwaukee WI. "Libertyville (IL) Independent" Thursday 18 May 1922 p 3 – marriage license: Lawrence P. McGee, 23, Milwaukee & Margaret Hayes, 22, Milwaukee.
- James Henry ("Jim") McGee, Jr., 7 Dec 1898 Waldo, Sheboygan WI – 5 Sep 1954. Married on 23 Aug 1926 to Ethel C. Van Camp (1900-1984). In 1942 (WWII draft), he lived at 1140 N. 6th St., Milwaukee WI; Florence McGee lived at the same address. He worked at McGee's Garage, 1143 N. 6th St., Milwaukee WI. Buried in Holy Cross Cemetery & Mausoleum, Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI but not on Find A Grave as of 21 Nov 2021.

Notes:

Pre-war:

Wartime:

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Friday 8 Feb 1918 p 3 – one of those on board, from 1st Sanitary Squad, 32nd Division: McGee, Thomas M., mechanic, from Milwaukee.

Post-war:

Obituary:

Social Security number: 354-03-6562

Censuses:

1895 MN state census – Murray Co. MN – conducted 11 Jun 1895

James McGee, 28 WI

Brigit, 29 WI

Willie, 4 MN

Francis O., 3 WI

Thomas, 11 months MN

1900 Lyndon, Sheboygan WI

James McGee, 35 WI, Dec 1864, parents b. Ireland, married 10 years, clerk, dry goods & groceries, salesman

Bridget F., 27 WI, Apr 1872, parents b. Ireland, gave birth to 5 children, 5 are living

William E., 9 WI, Sep 1890, at school

Frances T., 7 WI, Apr 1893, at school

Thomas M., 5 WI, Jul 1894

Lawrence P., 3 WI, Aug 1896

James H., 1 WI, Dec 1893

& father Thomas McGee, 66 Ireland, Nov 1833, parents b. Ireland, widowed, emigrated 1853, in US for 46 years, naturalized

1905 WI state census – Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI

James McGee, 38 WI, parents b. Ireland

Bridget, 41 WI, parents b. Ireland

Wm., 14 WI

Frances, 13 WI

Thomas, 11 WI, stone cutter [the only family member with an occupation]

Lawrence, 9 WI

James, 6 WI

1910 Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI – 457 Oakland Ave.

James McGee, 43 WI, parents b. Ireland, married 21 years, janitor, parochial school

Bridget, 46 WI, parents b. Ireland, gave birth to 6 children, 5 are living

William E., 19 WI, core maker, electric works

Frances I., 17 WI, artist, sketches

Thomas M., 15 WI

Lawrence P., 13 WI

James H., 11 WI

1920 Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI – Brady St.

James R. McGee, 52 WI, parents b. Ireland, auto repairman, garage

Bridget F., 55 WI, parents b. Ireland

Thomas M., 25 WI, single, auto mechanic, garage

Lawrence P., 23 WI, married, auto maintenance, garage

James H., 21 WI, single, driver [illegible]

& daughter-in-law Bertha, 20 WI, married, waiter, restaurant [would seem to be Lawrence's wife]

& the Champion family:

Leonard Champion, 20 MI, parents b. England [nephew]

Ellen Champion, 27 MI, parents b. England [niece]

Thomas Champion, 6 MI [grand-nephew]

Eldred, 4 MI [grand-nephew]
James R., 9 (?) months (?) WI [grand-nephew]
& nephew Bernard Goggins, 23 WI, driver, brewers truck
[all of them are living on Brady St. in Apartment 5]

1940 Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI – 2621 N. Stowall Ave. – the DeChants were in same house in 1935
Francis DeChant, 47 WI, widowed
& her 8 DeChant children, ages 7 to 21
& brother Thomas McGee, 45 WI, divorced, engineer, clerk, electric (?) – in 1935 in Chicago, Cook IL