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Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

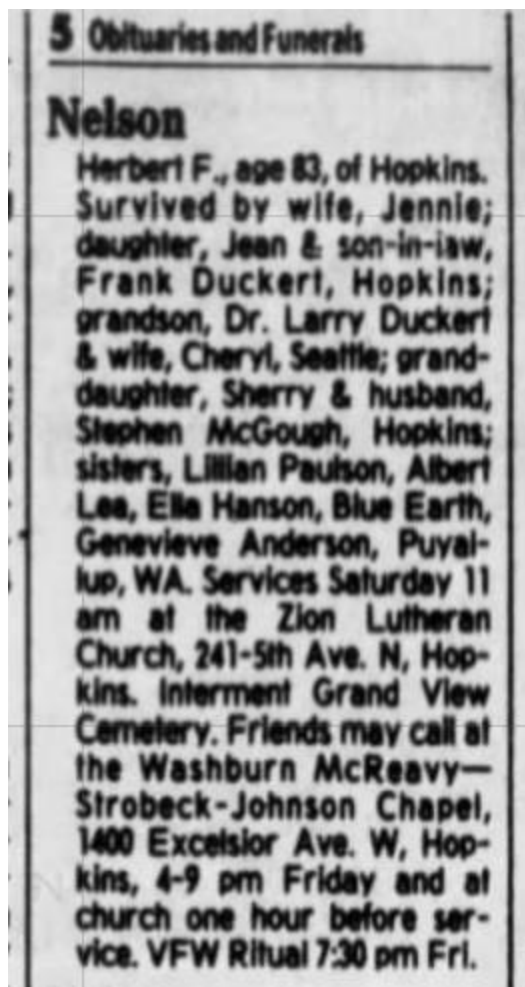
The logo for Tuscania, featuring the word "TUSCANIA" in a stylized, black, serif font with a drop shadow effect, set against a solid red rectangular background.

Nelson, Herbert Freeborn
1897 IA – 1981 MN



The Nelson family – standing (left to right): Charles, Harvey, Elmer, Henry, Emma, Clara, Rebecca, Ella

In front (left to right) Lillian, Alice being held by mother Bodil/Mary, Herbert Freeborn Nelson (with curls), Arthur, father James Christian Nelson, Genevieve – ca. 1900 Iowa - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/73793894/person/38338619762/media/24e9a6d0-ef3d-4bd5-9cf7-f18dd41f036d>



Obituary of Herbert Freeborn Nelson – “Minneapolis (MN) Star Tribune” Friday 13 Mar 1981 p 25

NELSON HERBERT FREEBORN		C	573 372
Pvt 1 c 32 Mil Pol Co		K	
Hopkins Minn		A	3 942 641
Ssn	251 243	Died	T 239 711 F
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<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:WSMJ-G8N2>

Oldtime Titonkian Returns—

Druggist and Mrs. W. J. Denton were taken by surprise Wednesday when a Wesley telephone call was received from Fred L. Wichern, Los Angeles, whom they had not seen since 1922. Mr. Wichern was watchmaker and jeweler for Mr. Denton prior to the first World war. At that time he was a mem-

ber of the Wisconsin National guard, and was first to be called to the army from this community. Herbert Nelson, youngest brother of Henry Nelson, left with him to enlist in the guard, and together the boys traveled overseas on the Tuscania, which was torpedoed. Henry and Fred became separated at that time, and they saw each other only once afterwards in France, though they returned to Titonka together. Mr. Nelson is now living at Hopkins, Minn. Mr. Wichern will make an extended visit with the Dentons.

When Fred Wichern registers for the WWI draft on 5 Jun 1917, he lists his occupation as a watchmaker for William Denton in Garner IA. "Kossuth County Advance" (Algona IA) Tuesday 20 May 1941 p 14 <https://www.newspapers.com/image/12070156/>

Wife:

Nelson

Genevieve E., age 97, of Hopkins. Preceded in death by husband, Herbert, in 1981. Survived by daughter, Jean Duckert & husband Frank of Hopkins; grandson, Dr. Larry Duckert of Seattle; granddaughter, Sherry McGough of Minnetonka; great-grandchildren, Amber McGough and Lowell Duckert. Member of Zion Lutheran Church, Hopkins and WW I Auxiliary. Funeral Wednesday, 11 am, at Washburn-McReavy Strobeck Johnson Chapel, 1400 Mainstreet, Hopkins. Friends may call ½ hour before service. Interment Grandview Cemetery.

Washburn-McReavy
Strobeck Johnson
938-9020

Obituary of wife Genevieve Shubert Nelson – “Minneapolis (MN) Star Tribune” Tuesday 5 Jul 1994 p

Name:	Herbert F. Nelson
Gender:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	23
Birth Date:	abt 1896
Birth Place:	Britt, Iowa.
Marriage Date:	9 Oct 1919
Marriage Place:	Webster, Iowa, USA
Father:	James C. Nelson
Mother:	Mary Peterson
Spouse:	Genevieve Shubert

1146	1 Mrs. Harvey Nelson	3 Herbert F. Nelson	6 years	23	9 Britt, Iowa
2 Oct 9	2	4 Hopkins, Minnesota	7	White	10 James C. Nelson
		5 Carpenter	8	1st	11 Mary Peterson
12 Genevieve Shubert	15 years	23	18 Olivia, Minnesota	21 at Ft. Dodge, Iowa 10-9-19	1
13	16	White	19 Joseph M. Shubert	J.K.Hinks	
14 Hopkins, Minnesota	17	1st	20 Catherine Sokolek	22 Mrs. Harvey C. Nelson	
			23 Homer E. Busby, J.P.		

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Parents:



Wedding photograph of James Christian Nelson & Bodil Mary Pederson, taken in Britt IA - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/73793894/person/38338619762/media/af0413fd-b477-451b-bfcf-1bd10e54cbb1>

Father:

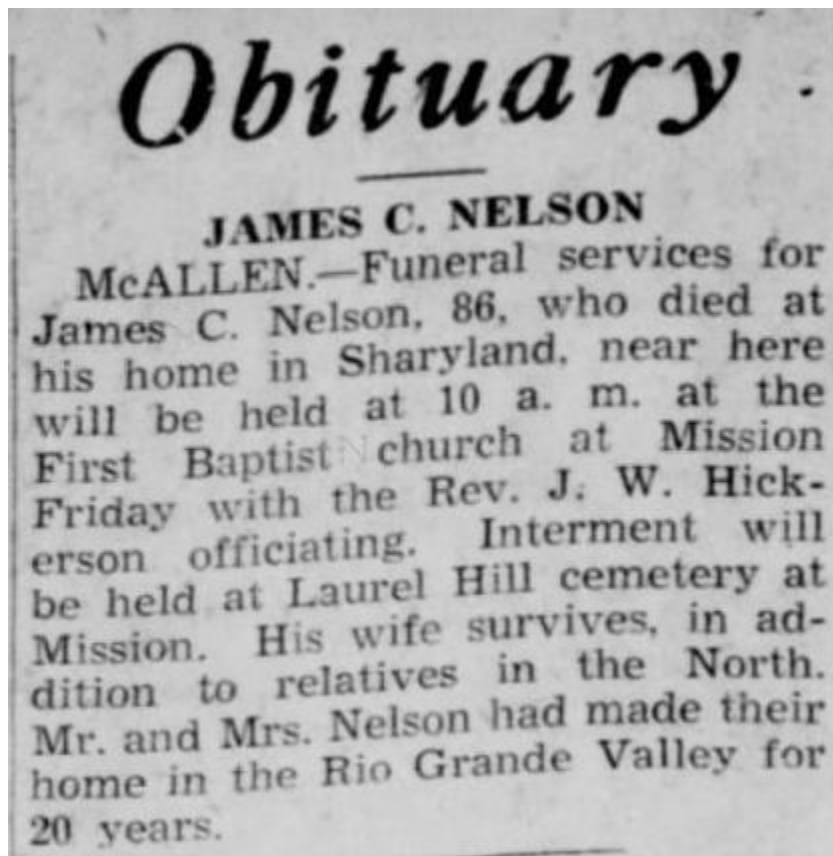
If NON-RESIDENT, be careful to give the complete residence of the deceased, stating both city, county and state. The residence is the usual place of abode.

TEXAS STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		60457	60556
1. PLACE OF DEATH STATE OF TEXAS		Registral No.	
COUNTY OF Hidalgo			
CITY OR PRECINCT NO. 4		Street 2 1/2 mi S Sharyland Rd	
Length of residence in city where death occurred 20 yrs. mos. days ? How long in U. S. if foreign born? yrs. mos. days			
2. FULL NAME OF DECEASED James C Nelson			
RESIDENCE OF THE DECEASED No. R F D Street 2 1/2 mi S Sharyland Rd City Mission State Tex.			
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS			
3. SEX male	4. COLOR OR RACE White	5. Single Married Widowed Divorced (Write the word) Married	
6a. If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of Gena Nelson			
6. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) Aug 23, 1850			
7. AGE 86 Years 4 Months 24 Days or LESS than 1 day, hrs. min.			
8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, bookkeeper, etc. Farmer			
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	
12. BIRTHPLACE (City or Town) (State or Country) Denmark			
13. NAME ? Nelson			
14. BIRTHPLACE (City or Town) (State or Country) Denmark			
15. MAIDEN NAME Unknown			
16. BIRTHPLACE (City or Town) (State or Country) Unknown			
17. INFORMANT Gena C Nelson (Address) Mission, Tex.			
18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Place Mission, Tex Date 12/18/36, 19			
19. UNDERTAKER Knicker Funeral Home (Address) McAllen, Tex.			
20. SIGNATURE OF REGISTRAR			
FILE DATE 12-20-1936 E. D. Denny Davis			
MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH			
21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) Dec 17, 1936			
22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from 12/7, 1936, to Dec 17, 1936, 19			
I last saw him alive on Dec 16, 1936, 19; death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at 10:00A M.			
The principal cause of death and related causes of importance were as follows: Myocarditis			
Other contributory causes of importance:			
Name of operation None date of			
What test confirmed diagnosis? Clinical Was there an autopsy? No			
23. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following:			
Accident, suicide, or homicide? N			
Date of injury N, 19			
Where did injury occur? E (Specify city or town, county, and State)			
Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place. N			
Manner of injury N			
Nature of injury E			
24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? No			
If so, specify			
(Signed) J. G. Harrison M. D.			
(Address) McAllen, Tex.			

TX death record of father James Christian Nelson - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/24038912:2272?tid=&pid=&queryId=f09de75cce1653813c0f253d63786308&_phsrc=hFB39184&_phstart=successSource



Tombstone of James Christian Nelson in Laurel Hill Cemetery, Mission, Hidalgo TX, inscribed "Wife Gena C. Nelson" – Find A Grave 226574276



This obituary fails to mention the 13 children fathered by James Christian Nelson & what would presumably be dozens of other descendants - "Valley Morning Star" (Harlingen TX) Friday 18 Feb 1936 p 2

1 8578	1	✓	3 John C. Nelson	6 years 6.5	30 Denmark.
Aug. 1 st	2	✓	4 Albert Lea, Minn	7 White	8 Denmark
			5 Mechanic	9 Fourth	11 Christian Nelson
			10 Gena Sawyer	20 Mrs. M. Longell	12 Mary Nelson
13 Gena C. Nelson	16 years 4 1/2	20 Minnesota	23 at Rochavell, Iowa	1	
	17 White		August 1 - 1916	2 Aug. 4 - 1916	
14 Gena Hanson	18 American	21 Peter Hanson	24 Mrs. J. Hutchins. Mrs. H. C. Guernsey		
15 Albert Lea, Minn	19 Second	22 Gena Hanson	25 J. H. Hutchins. Justice of the Peace		

Name:	Gena C Hanson
Gender:	Female
Race:	American
Age:	46
Birth Date:	abt 1870
Birth Place:	Minnesota
Marriage Date:	1 Aug 1916
Marriage Place:	Cerro Gordo, Iowa, USA
Father:	Peter Hanson
Mother:	Anna Hanson
Spouse:	John C Nelson

Is this James's marriage to Gena? But here John - to Gena C. Hanson 1 Aug 1916 in Cerro Gordo Co. IA -

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/8823/images/42563_fp030872_0171-00281?treeid=&personid=&hintid=&usePUB=true&usePUBJs=true&pld=903375609

Gene Hanson

in the Web: Minnesota, U.S., Marriages from the Minnesota Official Marriage System, 1850-2019

Detail Source

Name:	Gene Hanson
Marriage Date:	20 Nov 1901
Marriage Place:	Freeborn, Minnesota, USA
Spouse:	J C Nelson
Certificate Number:	Bk D Page 78-3
URL:	https://moms.mn.gov/

Or is this James's marriage – although his 1st wife is still alive –
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/90650956:70873>

Mother:



Mother Mary (Bodil) Nelson's tombstone – Find A Grave 103992920

Daughter:

**Frank Duckert Weds
Minnesota Girl**



MRS. FRANK DUCKERT

In a simple ceremony at the home of her parents, Miss Jean Marie Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert F. Nelson, Hopkins, Minn., was married to Frank Eugene Duckert, son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Shipke, 127 Kensington dr., Saturday, Mar. 10, at 3 p. m. The Rev. W. P. Clausen, pastor of the Zion Lutheran church in Hopkins, read the service.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore an aqua dress and a shoulder corsage of white roses and white sweet peas. She was attended by her cousin, Mrs. Joel Andren, St. Paul, Minn., who wore a coral frock and a corsage of purple and white sweet peas and Talisman roses. Kenneth R. Thalacker, 1725 Vahlen ave., brother-in-law of the bridegroom, was the best man.

A dinner and large reception followed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Duckert, who spent their honeymoon in Chicago and Milwaukee, will be at home after Apr. 1 at 100 18th ave., Hopkins.

Both young people are employed at the Minneapolis-Moline Power Implement Co. in Minneapolis. Mr. Duckert is a 1942 graduate of the University of Wisconsin.

Marriage of daughter Jean Marie Nelson to Frank Eugene Duckert 10 Mar 1945 – "Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Friday 16 Mar 1945 p 10

Frank Duckert Wed in Minnesota

THE wedding in Minnesota on Mar. 10 of Miss Jean Marie Nelson and Frank Eugene Duckert is being announced to Madison friends today. In a 3 o'clock ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. Duckert, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Shipke, 127 Kensington dr., took as his bride the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert F. Nelson, Hopkins, Minn. The Rev. W. P. Clausen of Zion Lutheran church officiated.

Given away by her father, the bride was dressed in aqua with a white rose and sweet pea corsage at her shoulder. Mrs. Joel Andren, St. Paul, whom she asked to be her matron of honor, wore a coral dress with a corsage of purple and white sweet peas with Talisman roses. Kenneth Thacker, brother-in-law of the groom, Madison, served as best man.

Mrs. Nelson was present in an olive green costume and Mrs. Shipke in a lime colored ensemble. Both had corsages of purple sweet peas and gardenias.

Dinner for the families was served at the bride's home, where a reception for 80 guests was held at 8 p. m. For a trip to Chicago and Milwaukee, the bride wore a black and white costume.

Mr. Duckert, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin with the class of 1942 is in the purchasing department of the Minneapolis-Moline Power Implement Co. They will be at home after Apr. 1 at 100-18th ave. S., Hopkins, Minn.



Mrs. Frank Eugene Duckert

"Madison (WI) Capital Times" Friday 16 Mar 1945 p 9

Duckert

Jean M., age 78, of Hopkins. Preceded in death by parents. Survived by husband, Frank; daughter, Sherry (Steve) McGough of Mtk; son, Dr. Larry of Seattle; grandchildren, Amber of Mtk and Lowell of Seattle. Funeral service 11 am, Tuesday at Zion Lutheran Church, 241 Fifth Av. N., Hopkins with visitation 1 hour before service. Interment Grandview Park Cemetery. "Mother, you will be deeply missed. You almost saw July 22." Much love, Sherry.

Washburn-McReavy
Strobeck Johnson Chapel
952-938-9020

Obituary of daughter Jean Marie Nelson Duckert – "Minneapolis (MN) Star Tribune" Sunday 1 Jun 2003 p B6

Siblings:



Left: Brother Harvey Cameron Nelson with son Phillip (standing behind him), wife Dollie seated next to him, she holding daughter Lillian & he holding daughter Thelma, Find A Grave 146959557 – Right, ca. 1900 IA, <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/73793894/person/38338619766/media/b419d0c6-5921-464d-a2d3-42cc8171822a>

INDEPENDENCE — Mrs. Gladys Clark Nelson, 64, Monday at Kalamazoo, Mich.; born at Independence Mar. 27, 1871, daughter of Daniel E. and Ora (McCauley) Clark; graduated from Independence high school and Iowa State Teachers College at Cedar Falls; had lived at Kalamazoo the last six years, and before that at Glen Falls, N. Y.; member of First Baptist church, Connecticut Historical Society, Mayflower Society, New England Genealogical Society, Colonial Daughters of Vermont, and the DAR at Kalamazoo; funeral services will be at 3 p. m. Tuesday at Kalamazoo and the body will arrive Wednesday morning at the Swanson funeral home here; graveside services at 2 p. m. in Oakwood cemetery.

Obituary of Gladys Ruth Clark Nelson, wife of his brother Elmer Lafayette Nelson – “Waterloo (IA) Courier” Tuesday 12 Apr 1955 p 21

Elmer L. Nelson

INDEPENDENCE—Services for Elmer L. Nelson, 91, a former Independence resident, who died May 6 in Kalamazoo, Mich., will be 2 p.m. Saturday at the White Funeral Home Chapel; burial in Oakwood Cemetery; survivors include a son, Harrison A. of Kalamazoo; three sisters and one brother. Services and cremation were in Kalamazoo.

Obituary of brother Elmer Lafayette Nelson (1883-1975) – “Waterloo (IA) Courier” Friday 16 May 1975 p 5



Arthur E. Nelson, killed in WWI - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/73793894/person/38338619767/media/c52dddbc-c4f3-4e47-9e18-2165d40f2903>

Rebecca Hanson

KLEMME — Funeral services for Mrs. Rebecca Hanson, 81, Klemme, will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the United Methodist Church. The Rev. George Brighton, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be at Concord Cemetery at Garner. The Johnston Funeral Home of Klemme is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Hanson died Thursday at a Garner nursing home. She had been in failing health several years.

She was born at Kenosha, Wis., the daughter of James and Marie Nelson. She was married to Will A. Hanson in 1909 at Britt. They farmed for a time near Lorenz and then moved to Britt. In 1936 they moved to Klemme and lived there until 1943 when they moved to Garner. Ten years later they returned to Klemme.

Survivors include her husband; five sons, Wilbur and Lyle, both of Greeley, Colo.; Arthur, Kersey, Colo.; John and Marvin, Klemme; a daughter, Mrs. Lowell (LaVonne) Marshall, Clear Lake; four sisters and two brothers.

Obituary of sister Rebecca Westmore Nelson Hanson (1888-1969) – “Mason City (IA) Globe-Gazette” Friday 3 Oct 1969 p 15



Sister Lillian Nelson with husband Christian Carl Paulson (married 14 Feb 1917 in Albert Lea, Freeborn MN) - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/41454/person/2026704347/media/a4872758-c768-43cb-bf9f-68e9071fabd8>



60th wedding anniversary of Christian Carl & Lillian (Nelson) Paulson in 1977 - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/41454/person/2026704347/media/344e04a5-ee3b-4870-aa01-d67327d1bd57>

Name: Herbert Freeborn Nelson

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Supply Co. E – private 1st class

Serial number: 251,243

Entered service from: Mission, Hidalgo TX

Sailed on “Tuscania” as: Herbert Freeborn Nelson

Next-of-kin on “Tuscania”: father James C. Nelson, Mission TX

Returned from war on: “Louisiana” May 1919 [note: Fold3 spells ship Louisiana as Lousiana]

Sailed on return ship as: Herbert F. Nelson

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: brother Henry A. Nelson, Titonka IA (his brother in 1900 census) (PFC, M.P. Corps, 32nd Military Police Co.)

World War I draft registration (1917):

World War II draft registration (1942): as Herbert Freeborn Nelson - b. 23 Apr 1897 Britt IA; res: 1001 S. 6th St., Hopkins, Hennepin MN. NOK Genevieve Nelson, same address. Employed by Paul Steenberg, 1757 First National Bank Bldg., St. Paul MN out of 15th Ave., Rockford, Winnebago IL. Height: 5’7” – 147 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlistment date not listed

Born 23 Aug 1897

Discharged: 21 May 1919

Address: Hopkins MN

Rank/unit: private 1st class, 32nd Military Police Co.Birth & death:

Born: 22 Apr 1897 Crystal Township/Britt, Hancock IA

Died: 11 Mar 1981 Hennepin Co. MN

Find A Grave record: 128073378 (header reads 1991, tombstone 1981) – presence on Tuscania indicated in text & flower

Burial location: Hopkins, Hennepin MN

Cemetery: Grandview Park

Tombstone: veteran flat: PFC US Army WWI

Father: James Christian Nelson, 23 Aug 1850 Kljodenhauns Ast, Denmark – 17 Dec 1936 Hidalgo Co. TX (age 86 years, 4 months, 24 days). – On 1 Aug 1916 in Cerro Gordo Co. IA, he married Gena C. Hanson, daughter of Peter & Anna Hanson, age 46, b. MN. - Was living in Mission TX when he was Herbert's wartime next-of-kin on Tuscania (Jan 1918) - In the 1920 census for Justice Precinct 5, Hidalgo Co. TX, James C. Nelson (69 Denmark) lived with wife Gena C. Nelson (age 50 MN, parents b. Denmark). - Survived by wife Gena. Buried in Mission, Hidalgo Co. TX according to TX death certificate. His tombstone in Laurel Hill Cemetery, Mission, Hidalgo TX is inscribed "Wife Gena C."

Find A Grave: 226574276

Mother: Bodil (Bodill) Maria/Mary Peterson/Pederson (or Sorenson) [Hanson added on Find A Grave record] Nelson, 25 Oct 1852 Bornholm, Norway – 7 Oct 1912 Crystal Lake, Hancock IA. Buried in Crystal Lake Township Cemetery, Crystal Lake, Hancock IA.

Find A Grave: 103992920

Parents' marriage: 1872

Spouse: Genevieve ("Jennie") Shubert Nelson. 13 Oct 1896 Olivia, Renville MN – 3 Jul 1994 Hopkins, Hennepin MN. SSN 469-54-5991. Daughter of Joseph Schubert & Katherine Sokolik. Buried in Grandview Park Cemetery, Hopkins, Hennepin MN.

Spouse Find A Grave: 128073292

Marriage: 9 Oct 1919 Fort Dodge, Webster Co. IA. Herbert F. Nelson, age 23, b. Britt IA, carpenter, son of James C. Nelson & Mary Peterson, his 1st marriage. Genevieve Shubert, age 23, daughter of Joseph W. Shubert & Catherine Sokelek. Officiant: justice of the peace Homer E. Busby. Witnesses: Mrs. Harvey C. Nelson & J.E. Hinks.

Children:

- Jean Marie Nelson Duckert, 19 Jan 1925 Hopkins, Hennepin MN – 31 May 2003 Hopkins, Hennepin MN. Wife of Frank Eugene (“Pops”) Duckert (1919-2010, F: 128073584) whom she married 10 Mar 1945 in the Hopkins MN home of her parents. Buried in Grandview Park Cemetery, Hopkins, Hennepin MN. F: 128073480

Siblings:

- Emma Belinda Nelson Peterson, 20 Jul 1873 Racine Co. WI – 2 Feb 1954 Albert Lea, Freeborn MN. Married 17 May 1896 in Racine Co. WI; unnamed groom. Married 28 Jul 1903 in Racine Co. WI to an unnamed groom. Wife of G.W. Peterson (1867-1928, F: 71327344). Buried in Clarks Grove Baptist Cemetery, Clarks Grove, Freeborn MN. F: 71327335
- Charles Esron Nelson, 14 Dec 1874 Racine Co. WI – 16 Dec 1965 Los Angeles Co. CA. SSN 557-80-4002. Married Sophia J. Larson on 29 Jul 1903 in Hancock Co. IA. - On his WWI draft registration (1917), he lived in Hennepin Co. MN with wife Sophia. – Buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, Los Angeles Co. CA. F: 85476753
- Clara Minerva Nelson Christenson, 2 Sep 1877 Racine, Racine WI [or Dec 1876 WI in 1900 census] – 25 Feb 1916 Crystal Lake, Hancock IA. Married in 1901 to Christian Marcus Christenson (1868-1951, F: 100721943). Buried in Crystal Lake Township Cemetery, Crystal Lake, Hancock IA. F: 103971917
- Harvey Cameron Nelson, 18 May 1879 Racine, Racine WI – 28 Feb 1962. Married 11 Sep 1907 in Fort Dodge, Webster IA to Dolly/Dollie Brazelia Brogotti (1881-1960, F: 146959567). Buried in North Lawn Cemetery, Fort Dodge, Webster IA. F: 146959557
- Henry Atwood Nelson, 17 Sep 1881 Kenosha, Kenosha WI [or Feb 1881 WI in 1900 census] - 31 Jul 1967 Titonka, Kossuth IA. SSN 576-30-9986. Husband of Ella C. Larsen (1885-1965, F: 32049945). Buried in Buffalo Township Cemetery, Titonka, Kossuth IA. F: 32049950
- Elmer Lafayette Nelson, 2 Oct 1883 Kenosha Co. WI – 6 May 1975 Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo MI. SSN 038-09-4884. Married 24 Dec 1912 in Cedar Falls, Black Hawk IA to Gladys Ruth Clark (1891-1955, F: 30562151). His marriage record lists him as the son of James C. Nelson & Marie Petersen. On his WWII draft registration, he gives a birthdate of 2 Oct 1883 in Kenosha, Kenosha WI & resides in Hudson Falls NY. In the 1940 census, Elmer L. Nelson (56 WI) lived with Gladys R. (49 IA) & son Harrison Allen Nelson (26 MN) in Glens Falls, Warren NY. Elmer & Gladys were proprietors of a needlepoint manufacturer. They had lived in Providence RI in 1935. The couple lived in Kalamazoo MI for the 6 years prior to Gladys’s death in 1955. Buried in Oakwood Cemetery, Independence, Buchanan IA. F: 30562236
- Ella Alexandria Nelson Hanson, 17 Oct 1885 WI – 6 Dec 1982 Faribault Co. MN. Married 3 Feb 1909 in Hancock Co. IA to Louis Nels Hanson (1886-1968, F: 57564398). MN death records list her mother’s surname as Peterson. Buried in Riverside Cemetery, Blue Earth, Faribault MN. F: 57564157
- Rebecca Westmore Nelson Hanson, 19 Apr 1888 WI [also found as Pleasant Prairie IA] – 15 Oct 1969 Klemme, Hancock IA. Married 3 Feb 1909 in Britt, Hancock IA to William A. (“Willie”) Hanson (1888-1969, F: 113467964). Died at a Garner IA nursing home. Survived by 4 sisters & 2 brothers. Buried in Concord Cemetery, Garner, Hancock IA. F: 113467860
- Arthur Everette Nelson, 10 Mar 1890 Kenosha, Kenosha WI – 2 Jul 1918 France. When he registered for the WWI draft in 1917, he lived on S. Broadway, Albert Lea MN, was single, a machinist for Sarg (?) Oil Engine Co., Albert Lea MN, tall in height, medium build. The top line spells his middle name Everette; he signs it without the final “E.” Killed in WWI. Entered service from MN. Posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, 198,2000, US Army, for extraordinary heroism near Vaux, France. Buried in Aisne-Marne

American Cemetery & Memorial, Belleau, Departemente de l'Aisne, Picardie, France. F: 55948714

- Lillian G./T. Nelson Paulson, 2 Jun 1893 WI – 5 May 1986 Albert Lea, Freeborn MN. SSN 506-28-2866. Married 14 Feb 1917 in Albert Lea, Freeborn MN to Christian Carl ("Chris") Paulson (1890-1989).
- Genevieve Freemont/Fremont Nelson Anderson, 11 or 12 Feb 1895 Britt, Hancock IA – 5 Aug 1981 Puyallup, Pierce WA. Married 14 Feb 1914 in Albert Lea, Freeborn MN to Carl Arthur August Anderson (1894-1963, F: 44504445). Buried in New Tacoma Cemetery, University Place, Pierce WA. F: 44504451
- Alice Abbott Nelson Paulson, 5 Oct 1899 Crystal, Hancock IA – 31 Oct 1972 Ellendale, Steele MN. Married 18 Dec 1917 in Worth Co. IA to Manford Paulson (1893-1980, F: 223246490).

Notes:

Family tree at: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/73793894/person/38338619762/facts>

IA birth record notes birth of HUBERT Nelson on 22 Apr 1897 in Crystal, Hancock IA to James C. Nelson & Maria Sorenson Nelson.

Pre-war:

Wartime:

"Wisconsin State Journal" Saturday 9 Feb 1918 p 3 – "Tuscania Disaster Survivors" include Herbert Freeborn Nelson of Hidalgo TX

"La Meschacebe" (Bonnet Carre LA) Saturday 16 Feb 1918 p 1 – among the Texans rescued: Herbert F. Nelson

Post-war:

Obituary:

"Minneapolis (MN) Star Tribune" 13 Mar 1981 p 23 - age 83, resident of Hopkins MN. Survived by wife Jennie, daughter, 3 sisters, funeral 14 Mar, VFW rites, burial Grand View

Social Security number: 451-01-9465

Censuses:

1880 Racine, Racine WI

J.C. Nelson, 29 Denmark, parents b. Denmark, works in wagon shop

Mary, 27 Denmark, parents b. Denmark, keeping house

Emma B., 7 WI, going to school
 Charles, 6 WI
 Sally M., 4 WI
 Harvey K., 1 WI

1900 Crystal Lake, Hancock IA

James C. Nelson, 49 Denmark, Aug 1850, parents b. Denmark, emigrated 1869, in US for 31 years, naturalized, married 28 years, farmer

Mary, 47 Denmark, Oct 1852, parents b. Denmark, emigrated 1871, in US for 29 years, gave birth to 13 children, 13 are living

Chas. E., 25 WI, Dec 1874, carpenter

Clara M., 23 WI, Dec 1876, servant at home

Harvey C., 21 WI, May 1879, farm labor

Henry A., 18 WI, Feb 1881, farm labor

Elmer L., 16 WI, Oct 1883, at school

Ella A., 14 WI, Oct 1885, at school

Rebecca W., 12 WI, Apr 1888, at school

Arthur E., 10 WI, Mar 1890, at school

Lillian G., 6 WI, Jan 1893, at school

Genevieve F., 5 IA, Feb 1895

Herbert F., 3 IA, Apr 1897

Alice A., 7 months IA, Oct 1899

1905 IA state census – Hancock Co. IA

Herbert Nelson, age 8, b. IA

1910 Crystal, Hancock IA

James C. Nelson, 59 Denmark, parents b. Denmark, in 1st marriage, married 37 years, emigrated 1869, farmer, general farm

Mary, 57 Denmark, parents b. Denmark, in 1st marriage, gave birth to 13 children, 13 are living

Arthur E., 20 WI, laborer, home farm

Lillian T., 17 WI

Genevieve F., 13 IA

Herbert F., 12 IA

Alice A., 10 IA

1930 Minnetonka, Hennepin MN – 37 – 15th Ave. N.

Herbert Nelson, 34 MN, parents b. MN, age 24 at 1st marriage, salesman, magazines, WWI veteran

Jennie, 34 MN, parents b. Czechoslovakia

Jean H., 5 MN

1940 Hopkins, Hennepin MN – 1006 – 6th St. South – same place in 1935

Herbert F. Nelson, 42 IA, carpenter, house building construction

Genevieve, 43 MN

Jean Marie, 15 MN

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