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**Abbreviations:**

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave ([www.findagrave.org](http://www.findagrave.org))

NOK = next-of-kin

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**TUSCANIA**

**One of the Spooner (WI) boys  
Peterson, Frank Gustave  
1892 WI – 1966 WI**



Frank Gustave Peterson – “Spooner (WI) Advocate” 15 Feb 1918 p 4



Frank Gustave Peterson – Nora Cemetery, Rice Lake, Barron WI – photograph by Marilyn Gahm, Spooner WI on 9 Sep 2016

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|----------------------------|---------|---------------------|---------------|
| PETERSON FRANK GUSTAVE     |         | <i>8-31-66 308</i>  | X/C 1 178 664 |
| Pvt 1/c Co F 101 Sup Tn    |         | K                   |               |
| 12 Noble Ave Rice Lake Wis |         | A                   | 1 561 301     |
| Ssn                        | 251 245 | Died <i>8-19-66</i> | T 1 750 960 F |
| Born                       | 7/22/92 | R                   |               |
| Enl                        | 6/22/17 | Dth 4/26/19         | Cl 2 199 830  |
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The Veterans of Foreign Wars will hold Post Commanders night Friday evening, and will honor the survivors from this locality of the Tuscania, the troop ship which was torpedoed off the coast of Ireland during the World war. Harry Jones, Frank Peterson, Harry Post, and Victor Roux of Rice Lake were on the boat, nad there are four in Cumberland, two in Spooner, and one in Haugen.

"Eau Claire (WI) Leader-Telegram" Sunday 30 Jan 1938 p 5

## Tuscania Survivors Meet at Rice Lake

RICE LAKE—The Northern Wisconsin Tuscania survivors held their second annual meeting Sunday, Feb. 2, at the American Legion Barracks in Rice Lake.

The meeting opened at 2 p. m. with an address of welcome by Mayor J. H. Wallis. Short talks were given by Frank D. McCrank, chief of police; S. P. Rigler, Rice Lake attorney; Faye Anderson, commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars post.

The talks were followed by a business session. Army stew was served at 6 p. m.

The club was organized Feb. 4,

1940, to serve about 100 of the Tuscania survivors now living in northern Wisconsin. The purpose of the conference is to make possible for them to meet annually in memory of their comrades who were drowned.

The Tuscania was torpedoed by the German U-boat 77, commanded by Capt. Wm. F. Meyer of the German navy Feb. 5, 1918, off the north coast of Ireland. Capt Meyer now lives at Saarbrucken, Germany, and is an honorary member of the National Tuscania's Survivors' organization.

There are several clubs throughout the United States. The National meeting is scheduled for Feb. 7, 8, and 9 at Detroit, Mich.

Four Rice Lake men were on the Tuscania when she was sunk. They are Harry Jones, Victor Roux, Frank Peterson, and Harry Post.

"Eau Claire (WI) Leader-Telegram" Wednesday 5 Feb 1941 p 4

U.S., Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Swedish American Church Records, 1800-1947 for Charles Lloyd Peterson

USA > Wisconsin > Amery > First Lutheran Church

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|---|------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| X | Frank Gustaf Peterson  | Barronette | Wt. 7.22.1892 " " 1924        | 7/4 1926 6/19 1926 |
| X | Edith Alida, wife      | St Paul    | Winn. 8.26/1894 10.28/1894 "  | " "                |
|   | Charles Lloyd Son      | Rice Lake  | Barron Wt. 1 12/1923 2 4 1923 |                    |
|   | Bettie Marie, daughter | "          | " " 8 31/1924 10 26/1924      |                    |
|   | Edith Olga "           | Amery      | Polk .. 2 25/1927 4 25/1927   |                    |

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Wife:

Mrs. Frank Peterson, who entered Rochester hospital April 23, for an operation for a tumor on the brain, passed away at her home in Amery Tuesday, May 28, after a four weeks stay at the hospital and one week at home during which time she never regained consciousness.

Mrs. Peterson (nee Edith Holleen), daughter of Mrs. Fred Hankins, grew to womanhood in Pine Creek vicinity south of Dallas. Was married to Frank Peterson of Amery, who survives, besides three small children, her mother and many relatives and friends. She was 33 years of age at the time of her death.

Obituary of wife Edith Alvida Holleen Peterson – "Eau Claire (WI) Leader-Telegram" Friday 8 Jun 1928 p 13

# BLOOMER MAN COMMITTS SUICIDE

SWAN HOLLEEN FOUND DEAD  
IN GAS FILLED ROOM AT ST.  
PAUL.

St. Paul, Jan. 23.—Swan J. Holleen, 50 years old, Bloomer, Wis., was found dead in his bed at the Rosabel hotel, 274 East Seventh street, shortly after 8 a. m. today. It is believed that he committed suicide. According to Robert Christianson, the proprietor, Holleen was a friend of his.

He says the man spent several nights at the hotel, and last night asked for this room with the gas stove in it. Both the stove and jet were turned on full force when Christianson broke down the door this morning.

Coroner Jones took the body to the morgue. Holleen's wife and family have been notified.

Bloomer, Wis., Jan. 24.—2:00 a. m.—S. J. Holleen who died at St. Paul yesterday morning has been a resident of this city several years and leaves a widow and six children. He was a well digger by trade. The remains are expected to arrive today.

## BLOOMER MAN A SUICIDE

A dispatch from St. Paul last night stated that Swan J. Holleen of Bloomer had died in the Rosabel hotel in St. Paul from taking gas. It is supposed to be a case of suicide. Mr. Holleen, the dispatch says, had a gas stove placed in his room by request, and when the door of the room was forced open all the gas jets for lighting purposes and the gas escapes on the gas stove were found open and the room was filled with gas.

Mr. Holleen had been at the hotel for several days. He was friend of the proprietor and was paying him a visit.

Mr. Holleen had been a resident of Bloomer for a number of years and was engaged in the well drilling business. He was well known in Chippewa Falls. Surviving are the wife and six children. The body will be sent to Bloomer for interment.

"Chippewa Herald-Telegram" (Chippewa Falls WI) Friday 24 Jan 1913 p 3

## Mrs. Edith Holleen

BLOOMER (Special) — Mrs. Edith Holleen, 89, died Sunday at her home here. She was born in Germany and came to this country as a child, settling in Cadott. After the death of her first husband, James Norris, she was married to Swan Holleen and moved to Bloomer.

She was a member of the Evangelical United Brethren Church and of the Royal Neighbors.

Surviving are three sons,

John Norris of Osseo, Leonard Holleen of Stanley and Sam Holleen of Eau Claire; two daughters, Mrs. Herman Gehring and Miss Alsea Norris of Bloomer, a brother, Carl Zien of Cadott, two sisters, Mrs. Emma Jessen and Mrs. Bertha Nelson of Denver, 17 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. at the EUB Church, the Rev. Edgar Fredrick officiating. Burial will be in the Bloomer cemetery.

Friends may call at the Olson Funeral Home this afternoon and evening and Wednesday morning, and at the church prior to the services.

### MRS. EDITH HOLLEEN

Mrs. Edith Holleen, 89, of Bloomer, died at her home Sunday.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the E.U.B. Church in Bloomer, with Rev. Edgar Fredrick officiating. Interment will be in the Bloomer City Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Olson Funeral Home, Bloomer until noon on Wednesday and then at the church until the time of service.

Mrs. Holleen was born January 27, 1878 in Germany. She came as a child to the Cadott area where she was married to James North in 1900. He passed away in 1903. In 1909, she was married to Swan J. Holleen in Chippewa Falls, and since that time she had resided in Bloomer.

Mrs. Holleen was a member of the E.U.B. Church and the Royal Neighbor Lodge.

Surviving are three sons, John Norris of Osseo, Wis.; Leonard Holleen, Stanley; and Sam Holleen, Eau Claire; two daughters, Miss Alsea North, Bloomer; and Mrs. Herman (Dorothy) Gehring, Bloomer; one brother, Carl Zien of Cadott; two sisters, Mrs. Emma Jensen and Mrs. Bertha Nelson, both of Denver, Colorado; 17 grandchildren, and 25 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Swan, in 1913; one brother, Albert and two step-daughters, Olga and Edith.

This obituary of Edith's stepmother mentions stepdaughter Edith at the very end – her 1<sup>st</sup> husband was James Norris, not North – “Chippewa Herald-Telegram” Tuesday 5 Sep 1967 p 4

James Norris, living on the Raven farm in Cooks Valley, died yesterday evening about 9:00 o'clock after an illness of only a few hours, of apoplexy.—Bloomer Advocate.

Death of Edith Zien's 1<sup>st</sup> husband James Norris in Sep 1903 – “Chippewa Herald-Telegram” (Chippewa Falls WI) Sunday 27 Sep 1903 p 3

## Fred E. Hankin, 70 Dies at Hospital

**Leader Telegram News**

RICE LAKE — Fred E. Hankin, 70, died Monday at the Rice Lake hospital from a lingering illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at St. Joseph's Church with the Msgr. Peter Meyer officiating. Burial was made in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Mr. Hankin was born at Strum, in 1883 and came to Rice Lake about 45 years ago. He was a laborer.

He is survived by two sisters: Mrs. Jake Lybeck of Rice Lake and Mrs. Gilbert Johnson of Chetek.

Obituary of Fred E. Hankin, stepfather of Frank's wife, Edith Alvida Holleen Peterson – "Eau Claire (WI) Leader-Telegram" Saturday 25 Jul 1953 p 3

Wife Christina:

## Christina Peterson

in the U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014

|                         |                                          |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Name:                   | Christina Peterson                       |
| Social Security Number: | 398-20-0858                              |
| Birth Date:             | 10 Jun 1889                              |
| Issue Year:             | Before 1951                              |
| Issue State:            | Wisconsin                                |
| Last Residence:         | 54868, Rice Lake, Barron, Wisconsin, USA |
| Death Date:             | May 1975                                 |

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Children:

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MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING

The minister or other person celebrating this marriage is required to fill out and sign both copies of the Certificate of Date and Place of Marriage, and deliver them to the clerk who issued the license. The copy with the license and water on the back is for the clerk; the other for the Bureau of Vital Statistics.

### CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

CITY Norfolk COUNTY OF Norfolk 34509  
2404

FULL NAME OF GROOM Charles Lloyd Peterson CLERK'S No. 2404

| GROOM                                                                                        |      |                                 |                         | BRIDE                                                                                 |      |                                  |                         |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| AGE                                                                                          | RACE | SINGLE, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED    | NO. TIMES PREV. MARRIED | AGE                                                                                   | RACE | SINGLE, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED     | NO. TIMES PREV. MARRIED |
| 25                                                                                           | Wh.  | Single                          | None                    | 25                                                                                    | Wh.  | Single                           | None                    |
| OCCUPATION <u>SN 1/c</u>                                                                     |      | INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS <u>USN</u> |                         | OCCUPATION <u>None</u>                                                                |      | INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS <u>None</u> |                         |
| BIRTHPLACE <u>Rice Lake, Wisconsin</u>                                                       |      |                                 |                         | BIRTHPLACE <u>Brooklyn, New York</u>                                                  |      |                                  |                         |
| FATHER'S FULL NAME <u>Frank G. Peterson</u>                                                  |      |                                 |                         | FATHER'S FULL NAME <u>Marcus Rona</u>                                                 |      |                                  |                         |
| MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME <u>Edith Holleen</u>                                                    |      |                                 |                         | MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME <u>Fannie Shift</u>                                              |      |                                  |                         |
| RESIDENCE: CITY OR COUNTY MAILING ADDRESS <u>402 W. Marshall St. Rice Lake, Wisconsin 49</u> |      |                                 |                         | RESIDENCE: CITY OR COUNTY MAILING ADDRESS <u>104 Clarkson Ave. Brooklyn, N. Y. 32</u> |      |                                  |                         |
| Date of Proposed Marriage <u>December 9th, 1948</u>                                          |      |                                 |                         | Place of Proposed Marriage <u>Norfolk, Va.</u>                                        |      |                                  |                         |
| Given under my hand this <u>9th</u> day of <u>December</u> , 19 <u>48</u>                    |      |                                 |                         |                                                                                       |      |                                  |                         |
| <u>Betty J. Thaxton</u> Deputy Clerk of Corporation Court.                                   |      |                                 |                         |                                                                                       |      |                                  |                         |

### CERTIFICATE OF DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE

I, William J. Cagney, a Marriage Commissioner of the City of Norfolk, Appointed by the Corporation Court 3 (Denomination) City of 2640

~~religious order of that name~~, do certify that on the 9th day of December, 19 48 at Norfolk Virginia, under authority of this license, I joined together in the Holy State of Matrimony the persons named and described therein. I qualified and gave bond according to law authorizing me to celebrate the rites of marriage in the county ~~(or city)~~ of Norfolk Commonwealth of Virginia.

Given under my hand this 9th day of December, 19 48.

Given under my hand this 9th day of December, 19 48.

Address of celebrant 430 City Hall Ave

(Person who performs ceremony sign here.)

Marriage of son Charles Lloyd Peterson to Tillie Rona on 9 Dec 1948 in Norfolk VA -

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## Charles Lloyd Peterson

in the Florida, U.S., Death Index, 1877-1998

|               |                                 |
|---------------|---------------------------------|
| Name:         | Charles Lloyd Peterson          |
| Race:         | White                           |
| Age at Death: | 60                              |
| Birth Date:   | 12 Jan 1923                     |
| Death Date:   | 23 Sep 1983                     |
| Death Place:  | Broward, Florida, United States |

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PETERSON, Charles, of Pompano Beach, died Saturday. Memorial services 3 p.m. Wednesday, R. Jay Kraeer Margate Funeral Home.

Indicates death on 24 Sep 1983 – “Miami (FL) Herald” Sunday 25 Sep 1983 p 343



Daughter Betty M. Peterson Lilly (1924-2012), Find A Grave 90528462 & her husband, LaVern Sylvester (“Vern”) Lilly (1903-1985), Find A Grave 197377354

## Edith Peterson, Robert Dunn Wed

**RICE LAKE (Special)**—Edith O. Peterson, Milwaukee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Peterson, Rice Lake, and Robert T. Dunn, Milwaukee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theron Dunn, Wilmington, N. C., were married at the bride's home in Rice Lake by Dr. A. E. Falk, of Immanuel Lutheran Church.

The bride pinned a white orchid to her light pink two piece dress. She was attended by June Anderson Rice Lake, who wore a two piece dress of light blue and red and white carnation corsage.

Le Roy Moore, Racine, was best man.

The bride is employed as a clerk in the internal revenue office in Milwaukee. The groom is an inspector at the Kearney and Trecker Corp.

Wedding of daughter Edith Olga Peterson to Robert Theron Dunn in Apr 1953 – “Eau Claire (WI) Daily Telegram” Thursday 16 Apr 1953 p 5

Siblings:



Brother Andrew August Peterson (1895-1946), Find A Grave 12948166

| CHECK TYPE REQUIRED<br>(See Instructions attached)                                                                                                                |                                                   | APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE OR MARKER<br>(Please make out and return in duplicate)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                     |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE                                                                                                      | ENLISTMENT DATE<br>June 29, 1917                  | SERIAL NO.<br>277913                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | EMBLEM (Check one)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CHRISTIAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FLAT MARBLE MARKER                                                                                                                       | DISCHARGE DATE<br>May 21, 1919                    | PENSION NO.<br>--                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/> HEBREW                                     |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> BRONZE MARKER (NOTE RESTRICTIONS)                                                                                                        |                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | COMPANY<br>107th Mobile Ord.                                        |
| NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)<br>PETERSON, Andrew August                                                                                                     |                                                   | STATE<br>Wisconsin                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | RANK<br>Cpl.                                                        |
|                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                   | U. S. REGIMENT, STATE ORGANIZATION, AND DIVISION<br>107th Mobile Ord Repair Shop                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                     |
| DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year)<br>Aug. 1, 1895                                                                                                                  | DATE OF DEATH (Month, Day, Year)<br>Aug. 26, 1946 | LOCATION (City and State)<br>Co E, 6th Inf, Wisconsin 78                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                     |
| NAME OF CEMETERY<br>Shell Lake Cemetery                                                                                                                           |                                                   | SHELL LAKE, 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)<br>Charles R. Lutz |                                                   | NEAREST FREIGHT STATION (City and State)<br>Shell Lake, Wisconsin                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                     |
| (SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE)                                                                                                                                          |                                                   | POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE<br>Shell Lake, Wisconsin                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                     |
| DO NOT WRITE HERE<br>FOR VERIFICATION<br>APR 1 - 1954<br>ORDERED<br>GREEN MOUNTAIN MARBLE CO.<br>WEST RUTLAND, VT.<br>B/L<br>WY 2465535<br>JUL 22 1954<br>SHIPPED |                                                   | I certify this application is submitted for a stone for the unmarked grave of a veteran.<br>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.<br>Mrs. Emily Peterson<br>APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE<br>March 19, 1954<br>DATE OF APPLICATION<br>Shell Lake, Wisconsin<br>ADDRESS (Street, City, State) |                                                                     |

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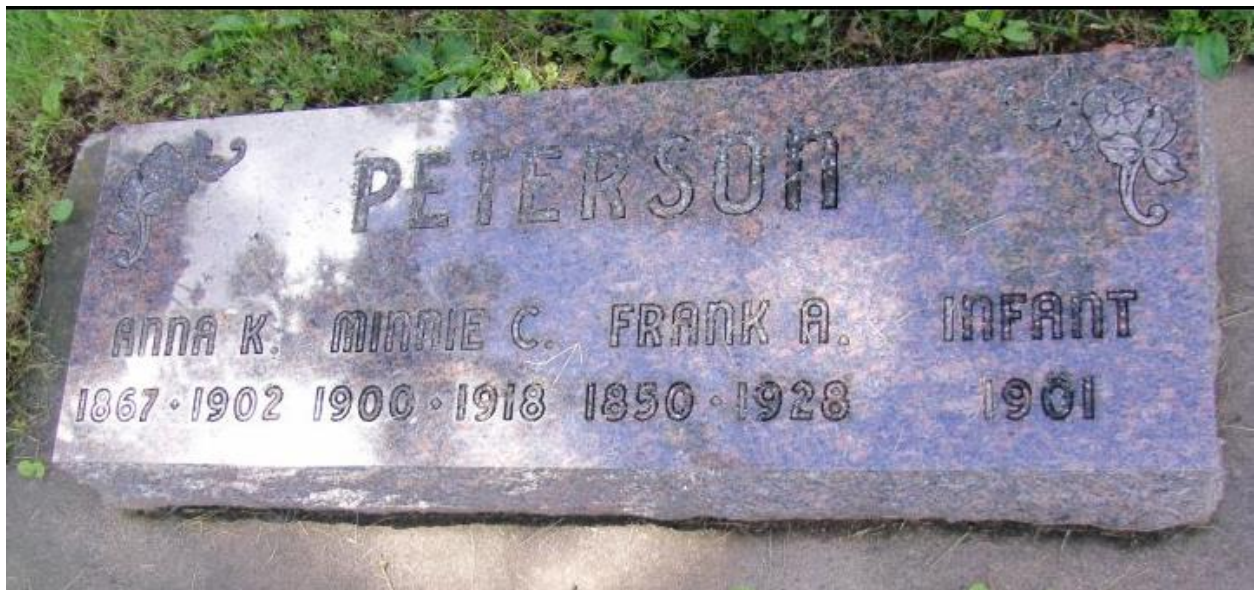
## Harry E Peterson

in the New York State, U.S., Death Index, 1957-1970

|                     |                                      |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Name:               | Harry E Peterson                     |
| Gender:             | Male                                 |
| Age:                | 68                                   |
| Birth Date:         | abt 1895                             |
| Residence Place:    | Stewart Manor, Nassau, New York, USA |
| Death Date:         | 12 Sep 1963                          |
| Death Place:        | New York, USA                        |
| Certificate Number: | 68967                                |

NY death record - [https://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/sse.dll?indiv=1&dbid=61668&h=306191&tid=16291537&pid=392257517113&queryId=191bdae95ba915caf71eae3823ecd34f&usePUB=true&\\_phsrc=hFB44459&\\_phstart=successSource](https://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/sse.dll?indiv=1&dbid=61668&h=306191&tid=16291537&pid=392257517113&queryId=191bdae95ba915caf71eae3823ecd34f&usePUB=true&_phsrc=hFB44459&_phstart=successSource)

### Family:



The joint headstone of Frank's mother Anna, sister Minnie, father Frank A. & infant sibling in Shell Lake Cemetery, Shell Lake, Washburn WI – Find A Grave 168654790

**Name: Frank Gustave Peterson**

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Supply Co. E – private 1<sup>st</sup> class

Serial number: 251,245

Entered service from: Shell Lake, Washburn WI

Sailed on “Tuscania” as: Frank Gustave Peterson

Next-of-kin on “Tuscania”: father Frank A. Peterson, Shell Lake WI

Returned from war on: “Winifredian” Apr 1919. The ship left Brest, France, on 6 Apr 1919 & arrived in Boston MA on 18 Apr 1919.

Sailed on return ship as: Frank G. Peterson

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

World War I draft registration (1917): as Frank Gustave Peterson - b, 22 Jul 1892 Barronett WI; res: Shell Lake, Washburn. Single. Saw mill man, Lakeside Lumber Co., Shell Lake WI. In response to the question: “Do you claim exemption from the draft?”, Frank emphatically stated, “No sir.” Had a “signed agreement to enlist in Wis. Nat. Guard.” Tall, medium build, blue eyes, light brown hair.

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): 402 W. Marshall St., Rice Lake WI (1939 NTSA & 1955 WI Survivors) Frank Gustave Peterson, born July 22, 1892, age 24, living in Shell Lake, employed as a “sawmill man” at the Lakeside Lumber Company of Shell Lake. Frank said he World War II draft registration (1942): as Frank Gustave Peterson - b. 22 Jul 1892 Barron Co. WI; res: 402 W. Marshall, Rice Lake, Barron WI. NOK Mrs. Christine Peterson, same address. Employed at Central Lumber Co., S. Main St., Rice Lake WI. “scar right wrist” – Height: 5’11” – 150 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted: 22 Jun 1917

Discharged: 26 Apr 1919

Address: 12 Noble Ave., Rice Lake WI

Rank/unit: private 1<sup>st</sup> class, Co. F, 101<sup>st</sup> Supply Train

Birth & death:

Born: 22 Jul 1892 Barronett, Barron WI

Died: 19 Aug 1966 Rice Lake, Barron WI

Find A Grave record: 125241112 – presesnce on Tuscania indicated in flower

Burial location: Rice Lake, Barron WI [Third Addition, Lot 106, grave 3]

Cemetery: Nora

Tombstone: veteran tombstone: Wisconsin PFC Co F 101 Supply Tn WWI

Father: Frank A. Peterson, Oct 1850 Sweden – 1928 (on tombstone, also found as 1925).

Buried in Shell Lake Cemetery, Shell Lake, Washburn WI.

Find A Grave: 168654790

Mother: Anna K. (or C.)--- Peterson, Jul 1867 Sweden – 28 Jan 1902 WI. Was her maiden surname also Peterson? Her obituary was published in the “Spoonier (WI) Register” 1 Feb 1903 noting her survivors as her husband Frank A. Peterson & 3 children (Charles, Andrew,

Frank G.) but inaccurately indicating her age as 38. Her funeral was held at the Swedish Lutheran Church. Buried in Shell Lake Cemetery, Shell Lake, Washburn WI.

Find A Grave: 168654777

Parents' marriage: 1888

Spouse: Edith Alvida Holleen Peterson, 26 Aug 1894 St. Paul, Ramsey MN – 28 May 1928 Amery, Polk WI. Daughter of Swan J. (sometimes G.) Holleen & his 1<sup>st</sup> wife Mary H. Nelson, both born Sweden. Swan G. Holleen married Mary Nelson on 8 Aug 1884 in St. Paul, Ramsey MN.

Baptized 28 Oct 1894 in St. Paul, Ramsey MN.

Her parents were divorced by 1900. Her father Swan J. Holleen (Sep 1859 Sweden – 23 Jan 1913 St. Paul, Ramsey MN, F: 92817598, buried in Bloomer [WI] City Cemetery) remarried, to Edith H. Zien Norris (27 Jan 1878 Germany -3 Sep 1967 Bloomer, Chippewa WI), who was 1<sup>st</sup> married in 1900 in Bloomer WI to James Norris (1866-1903, F: 92818171, buried in Bloomer City Cemetery). Swan & Edith had 5 children. According to an Ancestry.com family tree, Swan & Edith also divorced. Swan committed suicide by gas asphyxiation in the Rosabel Hotel, 274 E. 7<sup>th</sup> St., St. Paul, Ramsey MN. Edith Holleen is buried in Bloomer City Cemetery, Bloomer, Chippewa WI, F: 92817596.

In the 1905 WI state census for Dallas township, Barron WI, the Holleen family (Swan, wife Mary – age 43, daughters Edith & Olga) were the census entry before the William Hankins (Hankin) family, consisting of William, his wife Jane, son Fred (22) & Gladys. Mary Holleen marries Fred Hankin, who is 21/22 years her junior. Fred E. Hankin, 22 Jun 1885 Trempealeau Co. WI. – 20 Jul 1953 Chetek, Barron WI, son of William & Jane Hankin. Fred is buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Rice Lake, Barron WI, F: 181028020. Mary Hankin died 5 Feb 1934 in Barron Co. WI & is buried in Nora Cemetery, Rice Lake, Barron WI, F: 121828901

Her only full sibling, Olga M. Holleen (2 May 1896 MN – 28 Jun 1948 WI, buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Rice Lake, Barron WI, F: 179594490) married Joseph Herman Rubesch (1895-1971, F: 179594453).

Her obituary notes she went to the hospital in Rochester MN (likely the Mayo Clinic) for a surgical operation on a brain tumor. She spent 4 weeks in the hospital & 1 week at home, having not regained consciousness.

Buried in Nora Cemetery, Rice Lake, Barron WI.

Spouse Find A Grave: 125241135

Marriage:

Spouse: Christina Marina --- Peterson, 10 Jun 1889 Denmark.- 22 May 1975 Rice Lake, Barron WI. SSN 38-20-0858.

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage: by the time of the 1940 census

Children: by his 1<sup>st</sup> wife, Edith Holleen

- Charles Lloyd Peterson, 12 Jan 1923 Rice Lake, Barron WI – 23 Sep 1983 Broward Co. FL. SSN 395-12-0986. Baptized 4 Feb 1923 in First Lutheran Church, Amery, Polk WI. Served in

the US Navy. While serving in the US Navy, Charles married Tillie Rona, age 25, born Brooklyn NY, daughter of Marcus Rona (F: 148966548) & Fannie Shift (F: 148966630), on 9 Dec 1948 in Norfolk VA. In the 1950 census for Brooklyn, Kings NY, Charles L. Peterson, 27 WI, in the Armed Forces, lived with wife Tilly (27 NY). Tillie (1923 NY – 1986 FL, SSN 104-18-4654, F: 115197075) – They were residents of Pompano Beach, Broward FL at the time of both of their deaths. - Buried at sea according to note on WI Find A Grave. Memorial stone in Nora Cemetery, Rice Lake, Barron WI. F: 125241177. Also marker with wife Tillie in Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens North, Pompano Beach, Broward FL. F: 115197071

- Betty M. Peterson Lilly, 31 Aug 1924 Rice Lake, Barron WI – 17 May 2012 Rice Lake, Barron WI. Baptized 25 Feb 1927 in First Lutheran Church, Amery, Polk WI. Graduate of Rice Lake (WI) High School in 1941; attended Barron County Normal. Taught at Ulysses School for 3 years. Married LaVern Sylvester (“Vern”) Lilly (1903 IA – 1985 WI, F: 197377354), son of Arthur G. Lilly & Bridget Mary Murphy on 21 Aug 1945 in Dobie, Barron WI. They had a dairy farm in Doyle township for many years. Both served as town treasurer for over 46 years. Buried in Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church Cemetery, Dobie, Barron WI. F: 90528462
- Edith Olga (“Tootie”) Peterson Dunn, 27 Feb 1927 Rice Lake, Barron WI [also found as Amery, Polk WI] – Nov 1975 Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI. Baptized 25 Apr 1927 in First Lutheran Church, Amery, Polk WI. Married in Apr 1953 to Robert Theron (“Bobby”) Dunn (31 May 1929 NC – 4 Mar 1989 WI, F: 83620172). Buried in Nora Cemetery, Rice Lake, Barron WI. F: 83620134

#### Siblings:

- Charles William (Charlie William) Peterson, 12 Mar 1890 Turtle Lake (Barron or Polk Co.) WI. When he registers for the WWI draft on 5 Jun 1917, while residing at Shell Lake WI, Charles lists his occupation as common laborer at the Lakeside Lumber Company in Shell Lake, where both his brothers Andrew and Frank are employed. He asks to be deferred from the draft to support his father. The registrar notes that three boys in the family are still at home. Charles is the oldest. When he registers for the WWII draft, Charlie William Peterson lives at 516 Galloway St., Eau Claire, Eau Claire WI. He is employed at WI Pipe & Fuel Co., Eau Claire WI & gives Frank G. Peterson, 402 W. Marshall St., Rice Lake WI as his NOK. In the 1950 census for Eau Claire, Eau Claire WI, Charles W. Peterson, 60 WI, yard man, retail coal yard, is a lodger. His status is “never married.” A Charlie W. Peterson died 25 May 1960 in Dunn Co. WI.
- Andrew August Peterson, 1 Aug 1895 WI – 26 Aug 1946. When he registered for the WWI draft on 5 Jun 1917, at Shell Lake, Washburn WI, his occupation was grader in the lath mill at Lakeside Lumber Company, Shell Lake. On his draft registration card, he indicated he had already signed an agreement to enlist in the National Guard. Served in WWI as a corporal in the 107<sup>th</sup> Mobile Ordnance Repair Shop. Husband of Anna Amelia (“Emily”) Weberg (1904-1996, F: 12948165). Buried in Shell Lake Cemetery, Shell Lake, Washburn WI. F: 12948166
- Minnie C. Peterson, 1900 WI (1900 on tombstone, but Jul 1898 in 1900 census) – 1918, F: 12948165). Her tombstone indicates a middle initial of C but either “I” (1900 census) or “E” (1910 census) on other records. Buried in Shell Lake Cemetery, Shell Lake, Washburn WI. F: 168654784
- Infant Peterson, 1901 WI – Dec 1901 WI. This child’s death is noted in the *Spooner (WI) Register* of 14 Dec 1901: “Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Peterson mourn the loss of their infant child.” Buried in Shell Lake Cemetery, Shell Lake, Washburn WI. F: 168654796

## Notes:

## Pre-war:

## Wartime:

Frank's draft registration information published in *Spooner (WI) Advocate* 22 Jun 1917 p 1.

Frank G. Peterson of Shell Lake WI, along with Charles Franklin Brisbin and Lon Rhoades of Spooner WI (fellow Tuscania survivors), enlist in Captain John H. Holtz's militia company in advance of being drafted, as reported in the *Spooner (WI) Advocate* of 6 Jul 1917. They joined fellow *Tuscania* survivors William Henry Davis, Harry Durell Edwards, Harry Albert McCarty, Guy William Paulson and Fredrick Taylor, who had enlisted earlier.

Frank held Washburn County WI conscription number 606.

## Post-war:

On 9 Feb 1937, shipmates Guy William Paulson and Frank Peterson, who is now residing in Rice Lake WI, attended an anniversary meeting at the Homer L. Anderson American Legion Post in Cumberland WI, named for their comrade who lost his life in the sinking of *Tuscania*. The *Spooner Advocate* of 11 Feb 1937 noted: "A chapter of the Tuscania Survivors Association was organized at the meeting, with W.C. Brown of Cumberland being named president and Harry E. Post of Rice Lake secretary-treasurer."

## Obituary:

To locate Frank's grave in Nora Cemetery, Rice Lake, Barron WI:

Nora Cemetery is located west of Highway 48 (Hammond Avenue), north of Lakeshore Drive. To locate Frank's grave, enter the cemetery from the second road to the north of the intersection of Hammond Avenue with Lakeshore Drive. Drive straight ahead (east). Frank's grave is to the north (left), in the row with the headstone inscribed "Osborne" next to the road, and the "Shervey" granite bench memorial to the left (north) of the Osborne marker.

## Social Security number:

## Censuses:

1900 Shell Lake township, Washburn WI

Frank A. Peterson, 49 Sweden, Oct 1850, parents b. Sweden, married 12 years, emigrated 1880, in US for 20 years, naturalized, laborer, lumberyard

Anna C., 32 Sweden, Jul 1867, parents b. Sweden, emigrated 1870, in US for 30 years, gave birth to 5 children, 4 are living

Charles W., 10 WI, Mar 1890, at school

Frank G., 7 WI, Jul 1892, at school

Andrew A., 4 WI, Aug 1895

Minnie I., 2 WI, Jul 1898

1900 Dallas township, Barron WI – future wife Edith

Swain (Swan) J. Holleen, 40 Sweden, Sep 1859, parents b. Sweden, emigrated 1880, in US for 20 years, naturalized, farmer

Mary, 38 Sweden. Feb 1862, parents b. Sweden, emigrated 1882, in US for 18 years, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living

Edith, 5 MN, Aug 1894

Olga, 2 MN, Sep 1887

1905 WI state census – Shell Lake township, Washburn WI

Frank Peterson, 54 Sweden, parents b. Sweden, laborer

Charles, 16 WI

Frank Jr., 13 WI [not accurate as father is Frank A. and he is Frank Gustave Peterson]

Andrew, 10 WI

Minnie, 9 WI

For children: parents b. Sweden]

1905 WI state census – Dallas township, Barron WI - future wife Edith Holleen

Swan G. Holleen, 44 Sweden, parents b. Sweden, farmer

Mary, 43 Sweden, parents b. Sweden

Edith, 11 MN

Olga, 7 MN

The next census entry is:

William Hankins, 63 England, farmer

Jane, 48 VT [wife]

Fred, 22 WI [son – who will marry Mary Nelson Holleen]

Gladys, 10 WI

1910 Shell Lake, Washburn WI – Mill Row

Frank A. Peterson, 59 Sweden, widowed, parents b. Sweden, occupation: none

Charles W., 20 WI, machinist, Shell Lake Boat Co.

Frank G., 17 WI, night watchman, Shell Lake Boat Co.

Andrew A., 14 WI

Minnie E., 11 WI

[for the children: parents b. Sweden]

1910 St. Paul, Ramsey MN – Bradley St. – his future wife Edith

Fred Hankin, 27 WI, parents b. England, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, married 2 years, laborer, odd jobs

Mary Hankin, 42 Sweden, parents b. Sweden, in 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living [wife]

Edith Holleen, 15 MN, parents b. Sweden [stepdaughter]

1920 Shell Lake, Washburn WI – Railroad St. - sister Minnie has died  
 Charles W. Peterson, 29 WI, planer, sawmill [head of household]  
 Frank G., 27 WI, laborer, sawmill [brother]  
 Andrew A., 24 WI, laborer, sawmill [brother]  
 Frank A., 69 Sweden, widowed, emigrated 1872, naturalized 1900 [father]  
 [for all: parents b. Sweden]

1920 Rice Lake, Barron WI – 114 Cornell Ave. – his future wife Edith  
 Fred Hankins, 37 WI, father b. England, mother b. VT, laborer, lumber company  
 Mary Hankins, 58 Sweden, parents b. Sweden, emigrated 1885, naturalized [wife]  
 Edith Holeen, 25 MN, parents b. Sweden, operator, telephone company [stepdaughter]  
 Olga Holeen, 22 MN, parents b. Sweden, bookkeeper, products company [stepdaughter]

1930 Amery, Polk WI  
 Frank G. Peterson, 37 WI, widowed, parents b. Sweden, age 29 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, manager of  
 lumberyard, WWI veteran  
 Charles, 7 WI  
 Bettie, 5 WI  
 Olga, 3 WI  
 & servant Emelia Lindberg, 67 Sweden, widow  
 For his children, the census reports both parents were born in Minnesota

1940 Rice Lake, Barron WI – 402 W. Marshall St. – in 1935 in same house  
 Frank G. Peterson, 47 WI, assistant manager, lumber company  
 Christina, 50 Denmark [wife]  
 Charles, 17 WI  
 Betty, 15 WI  
 Edith, 13 WI

1950 Rice Lake, Barron WI – 402 Marshall  
 Frank G. Peterson, 57 WI, assistant manager, lumber yard [mistakenly indexed as age 27]  
 Christina, 60 Denmark, seamstress, retail clothing