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**Abbreviations:**

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

**TUSCANIA****Tuscania casualty****Roessler, Raymond Leonard****1895 KS – 5 February 1918 Tuscania**

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Raymond Roessler, "United States, World War I American Expeditionary Forces Deaths, 1917-1919"

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| OKLAHOMA.      INDUCTION INTO NATIONAL ARMY OR ASSIGNED THERETO UPON ENLISTMENT. |                   |             |                                                |                      |
| <u>RANK</u>                                                                      | <u>SERIAL NO.</u> | <u>RANK</u> | <u>ORGANIZATION AT</u><br><u>TIME OF DEATH</u> | <u>DATE OF DEATH</u> |
| Roessler, Raymond                                                                |                   | Pvt         | 40 Co 165 Dep Brig<br>Camp Travis Det #2       | Feb 5/18             |

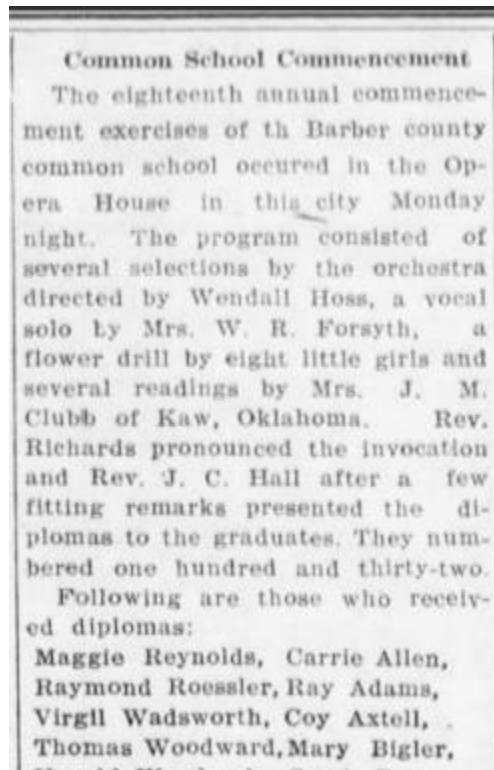
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Harold and Raymond Roessler of Nashville spent Saturday night and Sunday at Mrs. M. D. Roesslers.

"Isabel (KS) Herald" Friday 16 Nov 1906 p 4

The Nashville school closed last Friday. On account of so much sickness in the district the attendance was not so great as it otherwise would have been, the average daily attendance being a fraction over thirty. There were but two pupils who came the whole eight months without being either tardy or absent, viz: Raymond Roessler and Floyd Hewitt. One, Grace Kennedy, was not tardy, but absent one day. Another, Harold Roessler, was not absent, but tardy one day. The patrons, on the last day, in order to show their appreciation of the work done during the winter, planned a surprise dinner on the teacher, Mr. Millard. The surprise as well as the dinner was a success, after which was given a short program, consisting of music and recitations, and all went home rejoicing.

"Kingman (KS) Journal" Friday 3 May 1907 p 3



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"Medicine Lake (KS) Cresset" Thursday 19 Jun 1913 p 1

The entire program for the afternoon was a substitution as Prof. W. H. Wood and Miss Bertha Mathews of Alva were unable to fill their appointments. Some of the students of Miss Bell's literature class kindly put on two scenes from Shakspeare. Those taking part in the one taken from the Merchant of Venice were Frances Mathews, Mary Coles, Rodger Kauffman, Dan Hall, Leslie Weidner, Raymond Roessler, Donald Skinner and Richard Woodward. The second was the "Witches" scene given by Helen Gibson and Frances Case. Grace Herr read two selections in dutch dialect for which she possesses much talent.

The Association not only appreciates the aid given by the students but also recognizes the fact that they are deserving of much praise and endless encouragment.



### Teachers Assigned

The teachers who will teach school in Barber county the ensuing term are as follows:

#### MEDICINE LODGE

Dist. No. 1. D. W. Major, Annie E. Bell, Faye Simmon, Lucy W. Platt, Lola Lichlyter, Mabel Marlowe, Mrs. Pearle Richards, Glenola Wilkins, Hazel Lowerre, Frances Axline, Gladys MacGregor, Stacia Parsons, Celia Mills, Mrs. Ella Lake.

Dist. No. 7. No school.

Dist. No. 10. Mary Stout.

Dist. No. 16. Nellie Roark.

Dist. No. 17. J. E. Thomas.

Dist. No. 19. Myrtle Woodcock.

Dist. No. 20. Katheryn McDonald.

Dist. No. 23. Mrs. Mary B. Thom-

as.

Dist. No. 31. Fern Gibson.

Dist. No. 34. Margaret Wright.

Dist. No. 45. Gladys Tyner.

Dist. No. 50. No school.

Dist. No. 70. Ola Larabee.

Dist. No. 82. Lulu Springer.

Dist. No. 83. Raymond Roessler.

Dist. No. 84. Bessie Thom.

Dist. No. 92. Frankie Axtell.

Dist. No. 93. Agnes Hudson.

[list continues]

"Medicine Lake (KS) Cresset" Thursday 19 Aug 1915 p 1

Harold and Raymond Roessler of Medicine Lodge visited old friends here during the picnic.

"Kingman (KS) Journal" Friday 28 Jul 1916 p 8

Harold and Harry Painter and Raymond Roessler were among those from Medicine Lodge who came down Tuesday night to attend roller skating. A large number were on the floor and the neighboring towns were well represented.

"Kingman (KS) Journal" Friday 16 Feb 1917 p 4

# REPORTS NOW SHOW 1,832 AMERICANS HAVE BEEN SAVED

Two Hundred More of Those  
on List of Missing Probably  
Are Safe in Towns Along the  
Irish Coast.

## DEATH LIST WILL NOT EXCEED 113

Two Kansans, Clayton B. West,  
of Baxter Springs, and Ray-  
mond Roessler, of Medicine  
Lodge, Unaccounted For.

[and from page 6:]

Ferry, Long Wolf, Okla.; Richardson  
Peter, Ravia, Okla.; Fletcher D.  
Pledger, Norman, Okla.; Theodore Pol-  
lak, Adkius, Texas; James A. Price,  
Boise City, Okla.; Robbie C. Ray, Sey-  
mour, Texas; Raymond Roessler, Medi-  
cine Lodge, Kan.; Lucio Ramos, San  
Antonio, Texas; Barney H. Ray, Tem-  
ple, Texas; Jesse M. Rhodes, Halbert,  
Okla.; Virgil J. Roberts, El Reno, Okla.;  
Cirilo Rodriguez, Bergsmill, Texas;

"Topeka (KS) Daily Capital" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1

## **The Tuscania Sinking**

The sinking of the ship Tuscania, off the north coast of Ireland last week has a local interest.

All of our older readers will remember Rev. W. F. Raisner, who used to live in Lyons and who married Miss Lizzie Long, a sister of Mrs. S. G. Wikkoff, and of the Long boys, J. E. and B. W., who were raised here, but who now live in Pratt county.

Mr. and Mrs. Raisner had a son, Wm. Howard, on board the Tuscania and at the latest reports he was still among the missing.

It is sincerely hoped by all the old friends here that he may yet be found among the living.

Mr. and Mrs. Raisner have three boys in the army. They come of a loyal fighting family.

It is also to be noted that the Clayton B. West, of Baxter Springs, also among the "unaccounted for" is a "formerly of Rice" boy, being a son of "Billy" West, a former well known resident of Mitchell township. Clayton is a brother of Mrs. Chas. Wikoff, who lives on Route 4, out of Lyons, and is thus indirectly, closely affiliated with Frank B. Wikoff, one of our other soldier boys, "Somewhere in France."

Rice county is certainly getting into this war pretty closely.

Raymond Roessler of Medicine Lodge is a neighbor of the Stone boys down there, of whom this publisher has frequently heard them speak.

"Lyons (KS) Republican" Tuesday 12 Feb 1918 p 2

**MEDICINE LODGE BOY ON BOAT.**

**Member of Camp Tracy Detachment,  
Not Reported Saved.**

Washington, Feb. 12.—Raymond Roessler, whose address is given as Medicine Lodge, Kansas, was aboard the Tuscania, being a member of the Camp Tracy detachment in No. 2 overseas casals. He was among the ones

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missing, and up to five o'clock this afternoon no word of his having been saved had been received by the war department.

"Great Bend (KS) Tribune" Tuesday 12 Feb 1918 p 2

## **Ramond Roessler Among the Missing Thos. J. Clements Reported Saved**

For the first time since the declaration of war, this community was last week forced to drink from its bitter cup. When the news was flashed over the wires that the transport *Tuscania* had been sent to a watery grave by a German outlaw of the seas, while horrifying, it was accepted as one of the fates of war, but when later the lists of soldiers not accounted for were published a pall of great sorrow weighed down on the community and friends and neighbors, fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters this moment realize more clearly and see the melancholy side more vividly than ever before, of German savagery; for on this unwelcome list appears the name of Raymond Roessler, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Roessler who reside a short distance northwest of this city. It is not definitely known that he is among the lost but each

succeeding day lessons the hope that he is among the survivors. Out of a total of 2,179 soldiers aboard the ill-fated liner, 340 are still unaccounted for, 113 of whom are now known to have perished. Congressman Joutt Shouse is keeping close watch of every bulletin arriving from overseas and is keeping the family in touch with every new development, and it would indeed be a time for joy and devout thanksgiving if the wires might bring the glad message of his safety somewhere "over there." So let us hope for these good tidings, but if the grim report must at last be adopted as the implacable truth, there shall be no alternative but to bow submissively to the cruel edict but with sacred pride that a hero of our own community has given that "last full measure of devotion" to the cause of humanity.

Meantime the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Roessler share their grief with them and await further news in almost breathless anxiety.

"Barber County Index" (Medicine Lodge KS) Wednesday 13 Feb 1918 p 1

Raymond Roessler was among the missing in the Tuscania disaster and is a half brother of Miss Roessler and Mrs. W. E. Winter.

"Columbus (KS) Modern Lights" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 5

**Raymond Roessler of Medicine Lodge is reported among the missing in the Tuscania list. He is a cousin of John Runkle living two miles south of Meade.**

"Meade (KS) Globe" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 3

Only four Missouri and Kansas men are in the list of those unaccounted for. They are Raymond Roessler of Medicine Lodge, Kans.; Everett H. Duffy, Siloam Springs, Mo.; William G. Smith, Festus, Mo.; William E. Vickers, Southwest City, Mo.

"Concordia (KS) Empire" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 4

#### **ON BOARD THE TUSCANIA**

In the list of soldiers aboard the Tuscania, torpedoed last week near the coast of Ireland while transporting troops across, appears the name of Roy Cromley as one of those who was rescued and safely landed. He is a brother of our Capt. Frank G. Cromley and his home was at Mulvane. He had spent some time in this county last year and had a number of friends, all of whom will be glad to know that he is safely across.

In the list of missing, and those who probably perished, is the name of Raymond Roessler, whose home is given as Medicine Lodge. He was a member of Camp Travis Detachment No. 2, Overseas Casuals.

"Coldwater (KS) Talisman" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 1

## FORMER NASHVILLE BOY IS LOST ON TUSCANIA

Raymond Roessler, Who Enlisted From  
Late Home in Barber County, Was  
With Camp Travis Contingent.

The final list of those who lost their lives in the torpedoing of the Tuscania last week, northeast of the Irish coast, contains the name of Raymond Roessler of Medicine Lodge. Mr. Roessler was a son of Sam Roessler, who lived at Nashville for years, and spent his boyhood there. The family home is now near Forest City in Barber County. Raymond enlisted with the volunteers from Medicine Lodge. He was twenty-one years of age and unmarried.

Two young men who formerly lived in this county were on board the ill-fated vessel. One, Gordon Evans, escaped with his life.

"Kingman (KS) Journal" Friday 15 Feb 1918 p 1

### OLD KINGMAN COUNTY BOYS WERE ON SUNKEN TUSCANIA

The names of Raymond Roessler of Medicine Lodge was among the missing from the transport Tuscania, sunk by a German submarine last week. Raymond Roessler lived at Norwich for several years and received his common school education in the schools there. His parents moved to Medicine Lodge a few years ago.

Gilbert Evans, of Valley Center, reported to have been on the ship, was a son of I. M. Evans of Valley Center, formerly of the Murdock neighborhood.

"Kingman (KS) Leader Courier" Friday 15 Feb 1918 p 1

**No News of Raymond Roessler**

No additional information as to the fate of Raymond Roessler, whose probable demise on the Tuscania was noted last week, has been received up to the time of printing today. Bulletins containing names of survivors as well as names of more who perished, have been received from day to day, but so far Raymond's name has not appeared in either list. Dark as it still appears, the people of Barber county will continue to hope for good tidings. There are still about two hundred to be accounted for.

"Barber County Index" (Medicine Lodge KS) Wednesday 20 Feb 1918 p 1

# ONE KANSAN IN NEWEST LIST OF DEAD ABOARD TRANSPORT TUSCANIA

By United Press Leased Wire.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—The war department today received 61 more names of dead from the Tuscania disaster, who were previously reported as unidentified or missing. The include:

Clarence W. Allen, Traverse City, Mich.; George A. Oltwein, 508 South 19th street, Temple, Tex.; Roger Baker, Levee, Ky.; William Binnie, Fallon, Mont.; Verner C. Bramland, Colton, Ore.; Benjamin H. Brown, Barron, Wis.; Joe Cochran, 111 Avenue East, Lawton, Okla.; Tommy W. Cook, Rayville, La.; John M. Crowley, San Francisco; Read O. Davis, Colusa, Cal.; Rosendo Diaz, Najarma, Tex.; Alexander J. Dunn, Portland, Ore.; Elton O. Edmonson, Strawn, Tex.; Florencio Frias, Alice, Tex.; Edward C. Feyrer, Weymar, Tex.

Dale M. Fish, Wheaton, Minn.; Sixton Flores, Alice, Tex.; Guadalupe Garza, Rio Grande, Tex.; Gregg Gehring, Findley, Ohio; William O. Geyer (appears as Dyer on passenger list) Blackston, Va.; Edward C. Grahamer, Scranton, Pa.; Arthur Christian, Junker, Kenosha, Wis.; Frank Kossæth, R. F. D. No. 19, San Antonio, Tex.; Matt Latham, Stafford, Va.;

Charles P. H. McVey, San Francisco; Lambert H. Mocker, Nashville, Tenn.; Roy Muncaster, Denver, Colo.; Richard A. Ninchart, Columbus, Ohio; Benjamin C. Olmsted, Tenino, Wash.; Ben V. Owens, Canadian, Tex.; Clarence Paul, Alexandria, La.; Clyde C. Pelley, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Juan A. Perez, Boerne, Tex.; George O. Perry, Lone Wolf, Okla.; James R. Potillo, Huntington, Ark.; Ondis Powell, Sasakwa, Okla.; Carl C. Rader, Johnstown, Pa.; Lucio Ramos, R. F. D. No. 3, San Antonio, Tex.; Frank D. Reilly, Cleveland, Ohio; Alpha L. Rice, Charlotte, Mich.; Girilo Rodriguez, Burgmsill, Tex.; Raymond Roessler, Medicine Lodge, Kas.; Richard Schulze, box 34, Boerne, Tex.; Frank Sharpe, Milwaukee, Wis.; Ellis M. Smith, R. F. D. No. 1, Magnolia, Ark.; William B. Spencer, New London, Wis.; Arthur Straach, Miles, Tex.; William G. Smith, Festus, Mo.; Charles L. Wayne, Fort Jones, Cal.; Earl Weisenberg, Jim Falls, Wis.; Patrick H. White, 711 South Akard street, Dallas, Tex.; Jose Y. Barra, 34 Washington street, Laredo, Tex.; Paul A. Williams, Pueblo, Colo.

Now declared dead, the only Kansan — "Salina (KS) Daily Union" Tuesday 26 Feb 1918 p 1

## KANSANS A VICTIM

**Raymond Roessler, Medicine Lodge  
on Tuscania Death List.**

Washington, Feb. 26.—The war department today gave out the names of sixty-one more victims of the Tuscania whose deaths have been confirmed officially. On this list was the name of one Kansan—Raymond Roessler of Medicine Lodge.

This is the first Kansan that has been mentioned in the Tuscania death list altho a number of Kansas youths were among those who survived the transport catastrophe, lists of whom were published immediately after the big vessel was torpedoed off the north coast of Ireland on February 5.

"Topeka (KS) State Journal" Tuesday 26 Feb 1918 p 7

In Memory of Raymond Roessler who  
Died on The Tuscania.

(By Request.)

Bright, yes, bright the sun was shining,  
Blue the sky fresh the breeze;  
Out upon the ocean sailing  
Went a troop ship o'er the seas.

Floating proudly o'er the ocean,  
The Tuscania with her crew,  
And her burden of khaki laddies,  
Brave, and to their country true.

On the ship one-brown-eyed yankee  
Thought of home so far away,  
Sent his thoughts back o'er the ocean,  
Wiped a homesick tear away.

'Way back home the little mother  
Bravely prayed: "Oh God above!  
Bless and keep my precious laddie,  
Send him back to home and love."

In Atlantic's deep blue waters,  
Hunnish sea-wasps watched for prey;  
Spied the vessel—watched and followed  
To the north sea waters grey.

All alone in his small stateroom,  
Sat the brown-eyed yankee lad,  
Lonesome, homesick; wondering sadly  
"Will I e'er again see dad?"

Hush! a shock reeks through the vessel,  
 Many hearts are filled with fear;  
 The brave ship has been torpedoed,  
 Death to all is very near.

Were they told what course to follow  
 In this hour of dark despair?  
 No! no soul was there among them,  
 But what knew his task to dare.

As they stepped into the ocean,  
 Marching on in rank and file,  
 They went not with fear and trembling,  
 But each wore a martyr's smile.

Faltering not as they marched onward,  
 Facing death without a fear,  
 Singing sweetly, clearly, boldly:  
 "Where do we go from here?"

Months have passed since that black  
 night,  
 When 'neath a foreign sky,  
 The brown-eyed khaki laddie,  
 Unrescued had to die.

Sweep gently o'er his grave oh, waves,  
 And trouble not his last sleep,  
 Ye honored are when soldiers find  
 A rest within the Deep.

He sleeps! Sleep on oh hero!  
 And mother dry your tears;  
 For you will see him once again  
 Across the span of years.

—S. J. H.

Sibling:

## Graduates Barber County High School 1915



Brother Harold Orlando Roessler (1894-1975) "Barber County Index" (Medicine Lodge KS)  
Wednesday 26 May 1915 p 1

A surprise party was given Harold Roessler last Saturday evening in honor of his birthday anniversary. Among those present were: Mrs. Virgil Twyman, Misses Grace Kennedy, Pearl Twyman, Kate Lewellan, Anna Hohl, Messrs. Leroy DeWeese, Roland Hall, Raymond Roessler, and Fred Mader.

Harold's 18<sup>th</sup> birthday – "Kingman (KS) Leader Courier" Thursday 11 Jun 1912 p 7

At the meeting of the Barber County Teachers' Association, Thursday, the following officers were elected:  
 Fern Gibson, President.  
 Harold Roessler, Vice-President.  
 Lola Lichlyter, Sec'y-Treas.

"Barber County Index" (Medicine Lodge KS) Wednesday 4 Jul 1917 p 1

At Mingona, where Harold Roessler is teacher, there are 25 pupils enrolled.

"Barber County Index" (Medicine Lodge KS) Wednesday 30 Oct 1917 p 7

Harold Roessler had to give up his duties in the school room the latter part of last week on account of sickness. Forest Stout taught in his place.

"Barber County Index" (Medicine Lodge KS) Wednesday 23 Jan 1918 p 8

The following teachers have recently been out of school on account of sickness: Letha Oliver, W. W. Baker, Harold Roessler, Mable Stone, Louise Fleming, John Zimmerman, Ethel Hull, Marvin Richards and Bertha Douthett. A great many others missed school on account of the snow and cold weather.

Meanwhile, Harold waits for news of his brother Raymond on Tuscania – "Barber County Index" (Medicine Lodge KS) Wednesday 30 Jan 1918 p 8

The Normal Training class visited Harold Roessler's school last Thursday morning. Harold graduated with the class of 1915 and since that time has been one of the most successful teachers in the county.

"Barber County Index" (Medicine Lodge KS) Wednesday 17 Apr 1918 p 4

At a pie supper and patriotic program at the Mingona school where Harold Roessler teaches, the sum of \$130 was realized for war purposes. The Doles school contributed a part of the program in the way of a song. Mr. Roessler has accepted the school for another year. He was given a ten-dollar increase, making his salary \$80 per month.

"Barber County Index" (Medicine Lodge KS) Wednesday 24 Apr 1918 p 4

Among those of our teachers who were called on to make speeches for the Sunday Red Cross drive were: Anna Morgan, Harold Roessler, Harry McGuire, D. W. Major and Earl Shamberger.

"Barber County Index" (Medicine Lodge KS) Wednesday 22 May 1918 p 5

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Roessler have moved to their new home on a farm seven miles west of this city.

"Barber County Index" (Medicine Lodge KS) Wednesday 29 May 1918 p 8

Harold Roessler, of Medicine Lodge, Ks., accompanied by his niece, Miss Elgin, and her friend, Miss Linsley, of Wichita, Ks., visited at the C. F. Brattain home Monday.

"Valley News" (Lamont OK) Thursday 13 Nov 1924 p 1

**Mrs. Harold Roessler**

MEDICINE LODGE — Mrs. Blanche Roessler, 79, died Sunday at the Medicine Lodge Memorial Hospital. Born Nov. 14, 1893, at Stonington, Ill., she was married to Harold Roessler Nov. 17, 1917, at Woodward, Okla. She lived here 51 years.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church and American Legion Auxiliary, Medicine Lodge.

She is survived by the widower; two daughters: Mrs. Haroldine Helm, Independence, Mo.; and Mrs. Rita Gulic, Oklahoma City; brother: Ross Batty, Boise, Id.; one sister: Jesse Elgin, Wichita; six grandchildren.

Funeral will be 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at the church; Carl Eklund officiating. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery, Medicine Lodge.

Obituary of Harold Roessler's wife Blanche Batty Roessler – "Hutchinson (KS) News" Tuesday 17 Jul 1973 p 12

**Name: Raymond Leonard Roessler**

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: Camp Travis Det. 2, Casuals - private

Serial number: US Army enlisted men were not assigned serial numbers in WWI until after the sinking of the Tuscania showed their value, so Raymond died without a number.

Entered service from: Medicine Lodge, Barber KS

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Raymond Roessler

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father Sam J. Roessler, Medicine Lodge KS

Body not recovered – missing in action.

World War I draft registration (1917): as Raymond Leonard Roessler - b. 17 Oct 1895

National KS; res: Medicine Lodge OK. Single. Farm employee, A.L. Easton, Oklahoma Co. OK. Short & slender.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Born: 17 Oct 1895

Died: 5 Feb 1918

Enlistment & discharge dates not given

Address: Medicine Lodge KS

Rank/unit: private, 165<sup>th</sup> Depot Brigade, 40<sup>th</sup> Co., Camp Travis Detachment 2

Birth & death:

Born: 17 Oct 1895 National KS

Died: 5 Feb 1918 Tuscania (name on plaque - missing in action - from OK)

Find A Grave record: 55953999 – presence on Tuscania indicated in flower

Burial location: Suresnes, Departement des Hauts-de-Seine, Ile-de-France, France

Cemetery: Suresnes American Cemetery & Memorial

Tombstone: name on plaque of the missing - from OK

Father: Samuel James Roessler, 13 Dec 1868 Shelbyville, Shelby IL – 18 Jan 1952 Medicine Lodge, Barber KS. Son of Andrew J. Roessler (1824-1909) & Elizabeth Strohl (1842-1874).

Buried in Highland Cemetery, Medicine Lodge, Barber KS.

Find A Grave: 78025907

Mother: Nellie Estella Brattain Roessler, Oct 1872 IN – Oct 1948 Medicine Lodge, Barber KS. Daughter of Benjamin Franklin Brattain & Hannah E. Nicholson. Buried in Highland Cemetery, Medicine Lodge, Barber KS.

Find A Grave: 78025877

Parents' marriage: 16 Nov 1892 Medicine Lodge, Barber KS.

Spouse: not married

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage:

## Children:

## Sibling:

- Harold Orlando Roessler, 7 Jan 1894 KS – 11 Dec 1975 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Co. OK. Married 17 Nov 1917 in Woodward, Woodward OK to Blanche Agnes Batty (1893-1973, F: 78025931). Buried in Highland Cemetery, Medicine Lodge, Barber KS. F: 78026025

Half-siblings: mentioned in the 1918 newspaper article above as living in the Columbus, Cherokee KS area – but no linkage has been discovered

- Miss Roessler
- Mrs. W.E. Winter

## Notes:

## Pre-war:

## Wartime:

"Kingman [KS] Journal" 15 Feb 1918 p 1 & "Barber County Index" (Medicine Lodge KS) 13 Feb 1918 p 1 & 20 Feb 1918 p 1 - resident of Medicine Lodge KS, son of Mr. & Mrs. Sam J. Roessler, who lived at Nashville for years & spent his boyhood there. The family now lives near Forest City, Barber Co. KS (or a short distance NW of Medicine Lodge). Raymond went to Idaho in 1916 & bought a home. Enlisted 2 Dec 1917 in a lumberjack company. As of 20 Feb 1918, not on dead or alive list.

"Columbus (KS) Modern Light" 14 Feb 1918 p 5 - half-brother of Miss Roessler & Mrs. W.E. Winter

## Post-war:

## Obituary:

## Censuses:

1900 Valley, Barber KS

Sam ROESSELER, 31 IL, Dec 1868, parents b. OH, married 8 years, farmer

Nellie, 27 IN, Oct 1872, father b. IN, mother b. OH, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living

Harold, 6 KS, Jan 1894

Raymond, 4 KS, Oct 1895