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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**

**Riemer, Edward Frederick**  
**1895 WI – 1966 WI**

**Wife:**



**Riemer, Frieda L.**

**WAUNAKEE/ MARKESAN** - Frieda L. Riemer, age 96, passed away on Friday, February 11, 2000. She was born on December 10, 1903 to Alfred and Marie Weyneth and married Edward L. Riemer on October 14, 1923. Survivors include her daughters, Wilma Hamilton of Theresa, and Nancy (Virgil) Schwandt of Waunakee; four grandsons and their families, including several great-grandchildren. Frieda was preceded in death by her husband, Edward; her son-in-law, James Hamilton, and a granddaughter, Kathleen Dougard. A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 19, 2000 at FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 5763 County Highway Q in Waunakee with Reverend Kirk Morledge officiating. Appreciation is ex-

tended to Heartland Country Village in Black Earth for their loving care the past four years.

**Cress Funeral Home**  
(608)238-3434

Obituary of wife Frieda Lydia Riemer Weyneth – “Wisconsin State Journal” (Madison WI) Monday 14 Feb 2000 p 6

Children:

### James C. Hamilton

DEEP CREEK, FLA. - James C. Hamilton, 72, died Saturday, July 4, 1998.



He was born in Aberdeen, S.D. to Victor and Mabel Hamilton on June 22, 1926.

He served in the Merchant Marine during World War II and moved to Racine, where he pursued a career as an Electrician until retiring and moving to Deep Creek, Fla. in 1988. He was a member of Port Charlotte United Methodist Church, the American Legion, Suncoast American Merchant Marine Association, Punta Gorda Elks, Punta Gorda Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite, Araba Shrine Temple, and the Charlotte County Shrine Club.

Survivors include his wife, Wilma (nee: Riemer) Hamilton of Deep Creek, Fla.; sons, Steven Hamilton of Theresa and Dr. William Hamilton of Rome, Ga. and wife, Ramona; brother, Gene E. Hamilton of Punta Gorda Isles, Fla. and his wife, Hedda; mother-in-law, Frieda Riemer; sister-in-law, Nancy Schwandt and husband, Virgil; and grandchildren, Eric Hamilton, Chad Dougard, and Adam Dougard. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Kathleen Dougard in 1998.

Memorial services will be held at the Port Charlotte United Methodist Church on Saturday, July 11, 1998, at 11 a.m. Memorials requested to Hospice of Southwest Florida, Port Charlotte United Methodist Church, or charity of your choice.

AMERICAN FAMILY  
FUNERAL HOME  
2701 Cleveland Avenue  
Fort Myers, Fla. 941-337-7311

Obituary of son-in-law James C. Hamilton (1926-1998) – “Racine (WI) Journal Times”  
Wednesday 8 Jul 1988 p 10

Siblings:

### Henry A. Riemer

Henry A. Riemer, 82, of 733 Detroit St., Sheboygan Falls, died early today at Sheboygan Memorial Hospital after a short illness.

He was born Nov. 10, 1896, in Markesan, a son of William and Pauline Henke Riemer.

During World War I he served in the U. S. Navy, on the USS Connecticut, 1917 and 1918.

On Aug. 8, 1926, he married Olive Mae Runnels in Hancock. She died Feb. 11, 1977.

Mr. Riemer worked at the Kohler Co. from 1929 until his retirement in 1961.

He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Sheboygan Falls, its Lutheran Laymen's League, was a charter member of the church's 70 Club, St. Paul's Seniors, formerly served on the church council and finance committee, and was an usher.

He also belonged to the Kohler Quarter Century Club and the Sheboygan Falls American Legion post.

Surviving are two sons, Clayton and Harold, both of Sheboygan Falls; one daughter, Mrs. Harold (Marilyn) Bayens of St. Louis, Mo.; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one brother, Frank of Milwaukee, and two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Parker of Markesan and Mrs. Clara Anderson of Tomahawk. He was preceded in death by three brothers.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Sheboygan Falls, with the Rev. Edward Albertin, pastor emeritus, officiating. Burial will be in Sheboygan Falls Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Huehns Funeral Home, Sheboygan Falls, after 4 p.m. Saturday and on Sunday until noon and at the church from 1 p.m. until the time of services.

American Legion memorial services will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

A memorial fund has been established in his name for his church.

Obituary of **brother Henry Arthur Riemer (1896-1979)** – “Sheboygan (WI) Press” Friday 5 Jan 1979 p 12



Obituary of brother-in-law Earl E. Parker, husband of sister Ruth Martha Riemer (1903-1999) – “Fond du Lac (WI) Reporter” Saturday 6 Mar 1976 p 20

**Name: Edward Frederick Riemer**

Name variations: Edward Fred Riemer

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Supply Co. C - private

Serial number: 251,124

Entered service from: Wautoma, Waushara WI

Sailed on “Tuscania” as: Edward F. Riemer

Next-of-kin on “Tuscania”: father William Riemer, Wautoma WI

Returned from war on: "Leviathan" Jul 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Edward F. Riemer

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father William Riemer, Wautoma WI (pvt, Co. F, 2nd Supply Train)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Edward Fred Riemer - b 2 Sep 1895 Manchester WI; res: Wautoma, Waushara WI. Single. Farm laborer, Ferd Kannaman (spelling?), Fair Water WI. Medium height & build.

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): 1955 WI Survivors: Rte 2, Markesan WI  
World War II draft registration (1942): as Edward Fred Riemer - b. 2 Sep 1895 Green Lake Co. WI; res: Markesan, Green Lake WI. NOK Mrs. Edward Riemer, same address. Self-employed. Pumps, Markesan, Green Lake WI. Height: 5'8" – 170 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index: cannot locate

Enlisted:

Discharged:

Address:

Rank/unit:

#### Birth & death:

Born: 2 Sep 1895 Manchester, Green Lake Co. WI

Died: 5 Apr 1966 Green Lake Co. WI

Find A Grave record: 130392310 - presence on Tuscania indicated in flower

Burial location: Markesan, Green Lake WI

Cemetery: Markesan Memorial

Tombstone: veteran flat: Wisconsin Pvt Co F 2 Div Supply Tn WWI

Father: William Henry Riemer, 17 Apr 1876 Green Lake Co. WI – 14 Mar 1942 Mackford, Green Lake WI. Buried in Fairwater Cemetery, Fairwater, Fond du Lac WI.

Find A Grave: 64482242

Mother: Pauline (Paulina/Polina) Gusta Henke Riemer, 12 Jul 1875 WI – 8 Feb 1943 Mackford, Green Lake WI. Buried in Fairwater Cemetery, Fairwater, Fond du Lac WI.

Find A Grave: 64482241

Parents' marriage: 7 Sep 1895

Spouse: Frieda Lydia Weyneth Riemer, 10 Dec 1903 Plainfield, Waushara WI – 11 Feb 2000 Waunakee, Dane Co. WI. SSN 396-12-3866. Daughter of Alfred Weyneth (F: 74722047) & Mary/Marie (F: 74722050). Buried in Markesan Memorial Cemetery, Markesan, Green Lake WI.

Spouse Find A Grave: 192081754

Marriage: 14 Oct 1923

#### Children:

- Wilma Irene Riemer Hamilton, 27 Feb 1928 Winnebago Co. IL. Resident of Theresa WI in Apr 2000. Wife of James Charles Hamilton (22 Jun 1926 SD – 4 Jul 1998 FL, buried in Riverside Memorial Park, Aberdeen, Brown SD, F: 129942616), the son of Victor Harold Hamilton &

Mabel Lillian Nelson. Wilma & James married 24 Apr 1949 in Green Lake Co. WI. At age 17, she had joined the US Cadet Nurse Corps at the Presentation School of Nursing in SD.

- Nancy Jane Riemer Schwandt, 20 Oct 1934 Winnebago Co. IL. Wife of Virgil Riemer. Resident of Waunakee WI in Apr 2000.

Siblings: Edward was the oldest child.

- Henry Arthur Riemer, 10 Nov 1896 WI – 5 Jan 1979 Sheboygan Falls, Sheboygan WI. Served in the US Navy in WWI. Married on Aug 1926 in Hancock WI to Olive Mae Runnels (1906-1977, F: 193010187). Buried in Sheboygan Falls Cemetery, Sheboygan Falls, Sheboygan WI. F: 193010301
- Andy Herman Riemer, 20 Feb 1899 WI – 2 Mar 1974 Santa Clara, Santa Clara CA. SSN 562-24-0514. Married to Leona Maude Stratton (b. 1904). Not on Find A Grave as of 5 Sep 2022.
- Frank Julius Riemer (Sr.), 4 May 1900 Markesan, Green Lake WI – 2 Sep 1982 Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI. SSN 388-09-7057. Husband of Bertha P. King (1903-1970, F: 217579431). Buried in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery, Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI. F: 217579403
- Ernest Martin Riemer, 3 Dec 1901 WI – . Baptized 24 Nov 1907 in Zion Lutheran Church, Fairwater WI.
- Ruth Martha Riemer Parker, 14 Aug 1903 WI – 19 Sep 1999 Green Lake Co. WI. Baptized 24 Nov 1907 in Zion Lutheran Church, Fairwater WI. Married 31 Aug 1921 in Waushara Co. WI to Earl E. Parker (1899-1976, F: 130392123). Buried in Markesan Memorial Cemetery, Markesan, Green Lake WI. F: 130392102
- Clara Anna Riemer Anderson, 27 Oct 1904 WI – 18 Jan 1993 Tomahawk, Lincoln WI. Baptized 24 Nov 1907 in Zion Lutheran Church, Fairwater WI. Married in 1927 to Sever W. Anderson (1900-1970, F: 200179000). Buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Tomahawk, Lincoln WI. F: 200178807

Notes:

Pre-war:

Edward's WI birth record lists his parents as William Riemer & Polina Gusta Henke. His birthname was Edward Frederick Riemer, born in Manchester, Green Lake Co. WI.

Wartime:

"Sheboygan (WI) Press" Saturday 9 Feb 1918 p 1 – among the Tuscania survivors: Edward F. Riemer, Wautoma WI

Post-war:

"Wisconsin Rapids (WI) Daily Tribune" 9 Feb 1942 p 10 – at the NTSA reunion, Alvin Grambsch (New London WI) & Edward F. Reimer (i.e. Riemer) (Markesan WI) renewed their

friendship which began in the Army & lasted through Tuscania, service in France & ever since.

Obituary:

Social Security number:

Censuses:

1900 Mackford, Green Lake WI – conducted 23 Jun 1900

William REIMER, 24 WI, Apr 1876, parents b. Germany, married 5 years, well driller

Polilne, 24 WI, Jul 1875, parents b. Germany, gave birth to 4 children, 4 are living

Edward F., 4 WI, Sep 1895

Henry A., 3 WI, Nov 1896

Andy H., 1 WI, Feb 1899

Max, zero WI, May 1900 [this is Frank Julius]

Frederick Reimer, 38 WI, Dec 1862, parents b. Germany, well drilling

& 2 boarders:

Julius Krueger, 27 WI, well drilling

Charles Leverance, 27 Germany

1910 Green Lake, Green Lake WI

William Riemer, 33 WI, parents b. Germany, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, married 14 years, farmer, general farm

Paulina, 33 WI, parents b. Germany, in 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, gave birth to 7 children, 7 are living

Edward, 14 WI, farm laborer, home farm

Henry, 13 WI

Andy, 11 WI

E. Frank, 9 WI

Ernest, 8 WI

Ruth, 6 WI

Clara, 5 WI

1920 Wautoma, Waushara WI

William H. Riemer, 43 WI, parents b. Germany, farmer, general

Pauline U.E., 44 WI, parents b. Germany

Edward F., 24 WI, farmer, general

Henry A., 23 WI, farmer, general

Andy H., 20 WI, farmer, general

Frank J., 19 WI

Ruth M., 16 WI

Clara A., 15 WI

1930 Rockford, Winnebago IL

Edward F. Riemer, 34 WI, parents b. WI, age 28 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage, farm manager, dairy farm, WWI veteran

Frieda, 26 WI, parents b. Switzerland, age 19 at 1<sup>st</sup> marriage

Wilma, 2 IL, parents b. WI

Alfred Weyneth, 67 Switzerland, parents b. Switzerland, gardener, private family [father-in-law]

1940 Markesan, Green Lake WI – Manchester St. - in 1935 in Rockford, Winnebago IL

Edward Riemer, 44 WI, parents b. WI, pump repairer, private business

Frieda, 36 WI, parents b. Switzerland

Wilma, 12 IL

Nancy, 5 IL

1950 Markesan, Green Lake WI

Edward Riemer, 54 WI, street commissioner, village of Markesan

Frieda, 46 WI [her age is misindexed as 16]

Nancy, 15 IL

& brother-in-law Fred Weyneth, 49 WI, divorced, power shovel operator, excavation [his age is misindexed as 19]