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Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

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TUSCANIA

Stephan, Arthur Harry
1895 NJ – 1980 TX

STEPHAN ARTHUR H		C21 372 398	
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328 Van Buren St Beaumont		A 3 500 684	
Texas		T 1 138 334	
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Born 5-12-95		CL 2 325 416	
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U. S. VETERANS BUREAU MAIL AND RECORDS Form 7202-Rev. Sept., 1926		INDEX CARD 2-13002	

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New Jersey, Births and Christenings Index, 1660-1931

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Name	Arthur Stephan
Gender	Male
Birth Date	25 Jun 1894
Birth Place	Jersey City, Hudson, New Jersey
Residence Place	New Jersey, USA
Father	John Stephan
Mother	Louse Kleiner
FHL Film Number	4209193

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STATE OF TEXAS		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		STATE FILE NO	
1. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print)		2. SEX		3. DATE OF DEATH	
ARTHUR HARRY STEPHAN		Male		10-13-1980	
4. RACE		5. DATE OF BIRTH		7. AGE (In years last birthday)	
Cau.		5-12-1894		86	
8. PLACE OF DEATH - COUNTY		9. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits give precinct no.)		10. NAME OF (If not in hospital give street address) HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION	
Medina		Hondo		Medina Memorial Hospital	
11. MARRIED: (If ever MARRIED, widow, divorced (Specify))		12. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES?		13. SIGNATURE OF (If wife, give maiden name)	
Married		WW 1		Elizabeth Love	
14. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.		15. OCCUPATION (If over 15 years of age, give kind of work done during month of working the week of report)		16. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY	
456 01 6632		Maintenance Superintendant		Mobil Oil Co.	
17. RESIDENCE - STATE		18. COUNTY		19. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location)	
Texas		Medina		2909 Ave I	
20. FATHER'S NAME		21. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME		22. SIGNATURE OF INFORMANT	
John Stephan		Unknown		Mrs. R. E. Magles	
23. PART		24. IMMEDIATE CAUSE (Enter only one cause per line for use (b) (c))		25. INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH	
1		KIDNEY FAILURE		Interval between onset and death	
2		DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF		Interval between onset and death	
3		DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF		Interval between onset and death	
26. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS - CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO CAUSE GIVEN IN PART 1		27. AUTOPSY?			
Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease		no			
28a. ACC. SUICIDE, HOMICIDE, OR PENDING INVEST (Specify)		28b. DATE OF INJURY (Mo. Day, Yr.)		28c. HOUR OF INJURY	
		10-13-1980		8:30 P	
29. PLACE OF INJURY - At home, farm, street, factory, office, building, etc. (Specify)		30. LOCATION - STREET OR R.F.D. NO.		CITY OR TOWN	
		Forest Lawn Memorial Park		Beaumont	
31a. To the best of my knowledge, death occurred at the time, date, and place and due to the causes stated (Signature and Title)		31b. On the basis of examination and/or investigation, in the opinion of the physician, death occurred at the time, date, and place and due to the causes stated (Signature and Title)		32. DATE SIGNED (Mo. Day, Yr.)	
Dr. Parker Meyer		NOV 26 1980		33. HOUR OF DEATH	
34. DATE SIGNED (Mo. Day, Yr.)		35. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY		36. SIGNATURE OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR (If not, give name of person in charge)	
10-13-1980		Forest Lawn Memorial Park		W.P. Guinn 4008	
37. NAME OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN (Type or print)		38. SIGNATURE FOR LOCAL REGISTRATION			
Dr. Parker Meyer					
39. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify)		40. DATE		41. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY	
Removal		10-14-1980		Forest Lawn Memorial Park	
42. LOCATION - City, town, or county		43. STATE		44. SIGNATURE OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR (If not, give name of person in charge)	
Beaumont		Texas		W.P. Guinn 4008	
45. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO.		46. DATE RECD BY LOCAL REGISTRAR		47. SIGNATURE FOR LOCAL REGISTRATION	
1627		11-12-80			

TX death record of Arthur Harry Stephan –
https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2272/images/33154_b063088-04645?pld=727312

Among the local men who enlisted today, both for the infantry and for the aviation section, are Arthur H. Stephan, Walter J. Weir, John C. Christensen, Rossi L. Peterson, Edward T. Dreibelbies, John J. Carney, Charles J. Montalone, Joseph Starkey, Thomas Milovich, Samuel Nisonoff, James J. Murray, Wilhelm Sodalhn, Leon C. Headd, Charles Sheppard, Michael J. Donohue and Gus Dressler.

"Perth Amboy (NJ) Evening News" Monday 30 Jul 1917 p 1

PERTH AMBOY BOY AMONG THOSE SAVED

Arthur H. Stephan Is Ac-
counted For But Name of
Joseph J. Crowell, Also of
Perth Amboy, Is Not
Among Those Made Pub-
lic of Tuscania Survivors.

Of the two Perth Amboy soldier boys on the transport Tuscania which was torpedoed last Tuesday off the Irish coast by a German submarine it is certain that one of them at least is among the survivors. He is Arthur H. Stephan of 211 Gordon street, although his address in the list of survivors is given as Palisade avenue, Jersey City. His family recently moved to that city.

The other one was Joseph J. Crowell of the 100th Aero squadron, who was a member of the fourteenth squad. His name was not among the survivors received up to ten o'clock last night by the war department. The complete list had not been received, however, at that time and it is possible that he was not among those lost.

Stephan enlisted at the Perth Amboy recruiting station July 20, 1917 in the aviation section of the signal corps. He was sent to Newark and from there to Fort Slocum. Later he was transferred to a training camp in Texas.

"Central New Jersey Home News" (New Brunswick NJ) Sunday 10 Feb 1918 p 1

LOCAL MAN ON TUSCANIA SAFE

**Arthur H. Stephan Cables of
Safety—No Word of Colwell
or Keansburg Man.**

Arthur W. Stephan, who enlisted at the local recruiting station in Smith street on July 20, 1917, in the aviation section of the signal corps and who was on the transport Tuscania, when that vessel was torpedoed by a German submarine off the coast of Ireland last week, is safe according to cablegram received by his parents, who are now living in Jersey City.

The cable was received by his parents yesterday and the news was flashed to his brother, Henry L. Stephan, of 211 Gordon street, shortly afterward. Friends of the young soldier here as well as his relatives were anxiously waiting to hear of his being saved.

Stephan resided here for some time and shortly after his enlistment his parents moved to Jersey City. He is a member of Lawrence Lodge No. 62, Odd Fellows, of this city, and the members of that organization were also anxious to hear tidings of him. The report of the safety of Arthur T. Brown, of Keyport, and Thomas G. Welstead, of Matawan, who were on the ill-fated vessel when it was struck, have been received.

"Central New Jersey Home News" (New Brunswick NJ) Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1

1st wife Alva Love

Texas, Select County Marriage Index, 1837-1965[View record](#)

Name	Arthur Harry Stepan Or Stephan
Gender	Male
Marriage Date	20 Dec 1921
Marriage Place	Jefferson, Texas, United States
Spouse	Alva Love
FHL Film Number	1311476

https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/84958779/person/48508096607/facts?_phsrc=hFB59313&_phstart=successSource

STATE OF TEXAS 123-012 12301 CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 4409 41 STATE FILE NO. 04531

1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY <u>JEFFERSON</u> b. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) <u>BEAUMONT</u> c. LENGTH OF STAY in 1 b. <u>YEARS</u> d. NAME OF (if not in hospital, give street address) HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION <u>ST. ELIZABETH HOSPITAL E.</u> e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: residence before admission) a. STATE <u>TEXAS</u> b. COUNTY <u>JEFFERSON</u> c. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) <u>BEAUMONT</u> d. STREET ADDRESS (if rural, give location) <u>4485 TREADWAY RD.</u> e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐ f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒	
3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) (a) First <u>ALVA</u> (b) Middle <u>-----</u> (c) Last <u>STEPHAN</u> 4. DATE OF DEATH <u>JANUARY 25, 1972</u>		5. SEX <u>FEMALE</u> 6. COLOR OR RACE <u>WHITE</u> 7. Married ☒ Never Married ☐ Widowed ☐ Divorced ☐ 8. DATE OF BIRTH <u>Nov. 27, 1894</u> 9. AGE (in years last birthday) <u>77</u> IF UNDER 1 YEAR: Months <u>11</u> Days <u>28</u> Hours <u>15</u> Minutes <u>00</u> IF UNDER 24 HRS. Hours <u>15</u> Minutes <u>00</u>	
10a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) <u>HOUSEWIFE</u> 10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY <u>HOME</u> 11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) <u>VIRGINIA</u> 12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? <u>USA</u>		13. FATHER'S NAME <u>JOHN ROCKWELL</u> 14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME <u>ALVA HEATH</u>	
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) (If yes, give war or dates of service) <u>NO</u> 16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. <u>456-01-6632B</u> 17. INFORMANT <u>MR. ARTHUR STEPHAN, (HUSBAND)</u>		18. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: (a) [] (b) [] (c) [] IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) <u>Congestive Heart Failure</u> 18b. INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH <u>1 week</u> DUE TO (b) <u>Uremia</u> 18c. <u>1 week</u> DUE TO (c) <u>Arteriosclerosis</u>	
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a) 19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES ☐ NO ☒			
20a. ACCIDENT ☐ SUICIDE ☐ HOMICIDE ☐ 20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of Item 18.)		20c. TIME OF INJURY Hour <u>8:00</u> Month <u>1</u> Day <u>25</u> Year <u>1972</u>	
20d. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐ 20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g. in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.)		20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION <u>BEAUMONT</u> COUNTY <u>JEFFERSON</u> STATE <u>TEXAS</u>	
21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from <u>1948</u> to <u>1-25-72</u> and last saw the deceased alive on <u>1-25-72</u> , at <u>10:05 P.M.</u> on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.			
22a. SIGNATURE <u>[Signature]</u> 22b. ADDRESS <u>550 10th St. Beaumont, Texas</u> 22c. DATE SIGNED <u>1-31-72</u>		23a. BURIAL (CREMATION, REMOVAL) (Specify) <u>BURIAL</u> 23b. DATE <u>JAN. 27, 1972</u> 23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY <u>FOREST LAWN MEMORIAL PARK</u>	
23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) <u>BEAUMONT, TEXAS</u> 24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE <u>[Signature]</u> 25a. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO. <u>107</u> 25b. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR <u>February 3, 1972</u> 25c. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE <u>[Signature]</u>			

TX death record of Alva Rockwell/Love Stephan -

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2272/images/33154_b062849-03425?pid=760946

Mrs. O. B. Love, 4817 Birchman Avenue, has returned from Beaumont, where she visited Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Stephan, and from Palestine, where she visited Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Love.

"Fort Worth (TX) Star-Telegram" Thursday 25 Apr 1940 p 5

2nd wife Elizabeth Love Maples –



MARY ELIZABETH LOVE

“Lizzie”

“Keep Sweet.”

Basketball, '14, '15, '16, '17;
Capt. Basketball, '15; Literary
Society, '15, '16, '17; Senior
Class Prophet. Winner of
Shephard Memorial Medal, '16.

Mary Elizabeth Love, Bryan (TX) High School 1917 yearbook – Class of 1919 -
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui->

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c&_phsrc=hFB59358&_phstart=successSource

Arthur H Stephan	
in the Texas, U.S., Marriage Index, 1824-2017	
Detail	Source
Name:	Arthur H Stephan
Gender:	Male
Age:	77
Birth Date:	abt 1896
Marriage Date:	2 Jan 1973
Marriage Place:	Jefferson, Texas, USA
Spouse:	Lee Love
Case Number:	7721973004248

Married 2 Jan 1973 in Jefferson Co. TX – wife Alva had died Jan 1972 -

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/11019578:8795?tid=84958779&pid=48508096607&queryId=31582bf55cd02ff8b7fdef0630eb3482&_phsrc=hFB59320&_phstart=successSource

Arthur Harry Stephan	
in the Texas, U.S., Select County Marriage Records, 1837-1965	
Name:	Arthur Harry Stephan
Gender:	Male
License Date:	2 Jan 1973
License Place:	Jefferson, Texas, USA
Marriage Date:	2 Jan 1973
Marriage Place:	Jefferson, Texas, USA
Recording Date:	28 Jan 2002
Recording Place:	Jefferson, Texas, USA
Spouse:	Lee Maples
Document Number:	108927

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/27022493:9168>

MAPLES IS BURIED IN SAN ANGELO

Leander (Lee) Maples, 58, well known in aviation circles as a builder of primary air fields in Texas, was buried Saturday, Nov. 6 at the Maples family plot in Fairmount Cemetery in San Angelo.

Maples died suddenly of a heart attack Nov. 4 at Hondo Air Base, presumably after going to his car for some cigarettes at a coffee break. The doctor's report gave it as acute coronary occlusion.

Services were held Nov. 5 in Hondo at the Baptist Church by the Rev. Harold Cornelison before graveside services by the same pastor in San Angelo Nov. 6.

Maples, an aircraft flight chief at Hondo Air Base when he died, was born June 23, 1896 at Owen-ville near Temple. He was a

it had four airplanes in Fort Worth, and later when the name changed to Texas Air Transport. Today this organization has grown to be the American Airlines.

Maples lived in Hondo since 1950 but because of the housing shortage his wife did not join him until 1952.

Local pallbearers were Leon Kilmer, Ben Crow, M. P. Holliday, Hugh Bryan, Charles Gilbert and Joe W. Thompson.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Maples of Hondo; two sons, Lee Love Maples, El Paso and Robert Campbell (Cam) Maples of Hondo; a brother, Joe Maples, Haskell; three sisters, Mrs. D. W. Tomlinson, Temple, Mrs. Kitty Simpson, San Angelo, and Mrs. George Earnhart, Dallas.

veteran of World War I with the famed 36th Division from Texas, and saw action in the bloody days near the end of hostilities at Belleau Wood, the Battle of the Marne and other battlegrounds in France. Many times in his company he was one of the few who didn't have to be replaced.

When World War II started Maples was an air training school superintendent of maintenance. He designed and laid out the airfields at Terrell, Hicks Field at Fort Worth, Brady and Ballinger.

The busy Maples found time to be a Mason in the Blue Lodge and was a member of the American Legion. In July 1925 he married Miss Elizabeth Love.

Maples had been in aviation 27 years since 1927 when he started as an airplane mechanic with the Southern Air Transport when

Love-Maples Ceremony Is Held

The marriage of Miss Mary Elizabeth Love, daughter of Mrs. Olin Bascom Love, 1429 McKnight Street, and Mr. Leander Maples of San Angelo was solemnized in the parlors of the Young People's Building of the First Baptist Church at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. Rev. J. Frank Norris officiated.

Preceding the ceremony, Miss Kate Richardson played the bridal chorus from Lohengrin at the approach of the wedding party and the "Flower Song" softly during the service, which was read before an improvised altar of palms, ferns and varied colored zinnias.

The bride had chosen for her maid of honor her mother, Mrs. O. B. Love. She wore a gown of white georgette over white satin and carried an arm cluster of orchid gladioli.

Other attendants were Mrs. Harper Hancock, in a gown of pink georgette over pink satin; Mrs. Homer Carrice, of Dallas, who wore blue georgette over blue satin, and Mrs. M. N. Chrestman, of Dallas, wearing apricot georgette over the same shade in satin. All carried arm clusters of varied colored gladioli.

The bride entered on the arm of Mr. M. N. Chrestman of Dallas, who gave her in marriage. She wore a beautiful imported model of silk embroidered tulle over white satin. Her veil was bordered with real old point lace, a family heirloom and was held in place by a coronet of orange blossoms. Her bouquet was a Colonial bunch of Columbia roses, orchids and valley lilies.

The bridegroom was attended by Major Homer E. Carrice of Dallas. They wore white linen suits.

The bride's going away frock was a midnight blue crepe, with lace trimmings with patent leather slippers, and of panama trimmed with black taffeta.

After the reception, Mr. and Mrs. Maples left for a trip to West Texas and will then go to San Angelo where they will make their home.

Out of town guests present were: Messrs. and Mmes. M. N. Chrestman and J. S. Wathen of Dallas; Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Magruder and daughter, Margaret, of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Baskerville, son and daughter, of Dallas; Dr. and Mrs. O. B. Love of Brownsville; Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Love of Palestine, and Messrs. J. H. Park of Mexia, R. S. Park of Bryan, and Major and Mrs. Homer E. Carrice of Dallas.

Marriage of Mary Elizabeth Love to Leander Maples on Monday, 13 Jul 1925 - "Fort Worth (TX) Record-Telegram" Sunday 19 Jul 1925 p 25

Obituaries

MARY ELIZABETH MAPLES

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Maples died Friday, January 25 at Medina Memorial Hospital at the age of 85.

Mrs. Maples had a long, successful career in the advertising field and worked for several years as advertising manager of the Hondo Anvil Herald. Prior to her association with the Anvil Herald in 1932 she was advertising manager for Sanger's Department Stores in Dallas and held the same position for Leonard Brothers in Fort Worth from 1935-1941. She also was advertising manager for Lintz Department Stores in Dallas.

She was born June 20, 1899, in San Antonio to Dr. and Mrs. O.B. Love. She was educated in the Fort Worth school system and received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Texas State College for Women at Denton.

At the age of 17, she was awarded a Carnegie Medal after she saved two

small children from drowning.

In July, 1925 she married Lee Maples. He was crew chief at Texas Aviation Industries, Inc., in Hondo at the time of his death in 1954.

Mrs. Maples was a lifelong member of the Baptist Church having been baptized at the age of two by her grandfather, the Rev. J.T.S. Park.

Surviving family members include Mr. and Mrs. Cam Maples of Cotulla and their son Jay, a recent member of the U.S. Army stationed in Baden, West Germany; and Mr. and Mrs. Lea Maples of Walnut Creek, California and his son Clinton Maples of Concord, California.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Neil Kibbe at the First Baptist Church in Hondo, Monday, January 28. Pallbearers were Jack Winkler, Larry Winkler, Elton Lutz, Jack Been, Joe Nixon and Gale Long.

Interment was January 29 at Fairmont Cemetery in San Angelo.

Obituary of Mary Elizabeth Love Maples Stephan - "Hondo (TX) Anvil Herald" Thursday 31 Jan 1985
p 8 - <https://texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph818418/m1/8/>

Funeral Here, Burial in Mexia for Mrs. Love

The body of Mrs. Janie Park Love, 82, was taken to Mexia for burial after funeral services conducted at 10 a. m. Tuesday at Lucas South Side Funeral Home. Rev. J. Frank Norris officiated.

Mrs. Love, first student to be presented with a diploma by a state institution of higher learning in Texas, died in a hospital here Monday. She came to Fort Worth 24 years ago from Mexia.

A graduate of Sam Houston Normal at Huntsville, Mrs. Love was first of her class to receive a diploma June 16, 1880. This was a week prior to distribution of diplomas to the first graduating class at Texas A&M and two years before the first class was graduated from University of Texas.

Of the 37 members of the original graduating class of Sam Houston Normal, eight were present in 1933 at a class reunion at the home of James B. Baker, 3101 East First Street, whose diploma was the first signed by school authorities. Mrs. Love was at the reunion, as was Dean T. U. Taylor of the University of Texas engineering school.

Mrs. Love came to Texas as a child from her native Orion, Ala., with her father, a Baptist minister, who preached in numerous Limestone and Freestone County churches. She also lived in San Antonio before the death of her husband, a dentist, 25 years ago.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. L. Maples, Fort Worth; two sons, Dr. O. B. Love, Brownwood, and R. P. Love, Palestine, Texas, and a grandchild.

Obituary of Janie Park Love – "Fort Worth (TX) Star-Telegram" Tuesday 19 Aug 1941 p 19

Father:



John Stephan cigar store, 425 Palisde Ave., Jersey City NJ – the Stephan family lived upstairs over the store - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/84958779/person/48508096603/media/8a72cd65-7ec0-4a9a-9d23-6e1850d21521>

Mother:



Mother Louise Kleiner Stephan & father John Stephan -

<https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/84958779/person/48508096604/media/af4b6a1b-0358-4748-a236-08f2ba593734>

Siblings:

HAS FALL OFF HIGH STEEPLE

John Stephan Narrowly Escapes Death at Westfield.

John Stephan, twenty-five years old, a bridegroom of but four months, living at 92 Fayette street, is in the city hospital with compound fractures of his right arm and right leg, as the result of falling about forty feet from a church steeple in Westfield yesterday afternoon. He is badly cut and bruised about the face and body, but though his condition is serious, it is believed he will recover rapidly.

Stephan is employed by Robert Jahn, a cornice maker and sheet iron worker with headquarters in Jefferson street. He worked for him several months and on Wednesday went to Westfield to place some sheet iron upon the steeple of a new church edifice. While near the top of the structure shortly after 3 o'clock he fell to the ground and was picked up unconscious. He was given medical attendance and ordered taken to the Elizabeth General hospital. As he favored the local city hospital he was later sent here.

According to spectators Stephan was working on a board protruding from a window high up on the steeple of the new Methodist church. It is declared he was cautioned to fasten the board more securely than he did, in which he failed. A ladder swung against the board and he was pitched out of the window, landing on a pile of rocks and dirt.

Fall of brother John W. Stephan (1886-1966) - "Perth Amboy (NJ) Evening News" Friday 26 May 1911 p 4

JOHN STEPHAN

POINT PLEASANT — John Stephan, 80, of 2108 Beach Blvd., a retired tinsmith, died Wednesday at home.

Mr. Stephan was born in New York City, N.Y. He had lived there until moving here seven years ago.

He was a member of the Old Guard of Point Pleasant.

Mr. Stephan was the husband of the late Mrs. Freda Bausch Stephan.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Frank Burke and Mrs. John Zimmerman, both of Jersey City, and four brothers, Henry L. and Chester R., here; Walter E., Valley Stream, N.Y., and Arthur H., Beaumont, Tex.

The Wheeler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Honor John Stephan, Jr., at Surprise Party Given on His Birthday Yesterday.

John Stephan, Jr., of South First street, was agreeably surprised at his home yesterday by a number of friends from Jersey City. The occasion was Mr. Stephan's birthday. Games were played and an informal musical program given, all those present taking an active part in the proceedings. At 10 o'clock supper was served and the guests left at a late hour.

Among those present were Misses Fannie German, Ella German, Josephine German, Louis Stephan, Theresa Ernst and Margaret Devaney; Messrs. William Braun, Henry Arthur, Chester Stephan, Walter Stephan, Mr. and Mrs. John Stephan, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Fred German, of Jersey City.

"Perth Amboy (NJ) Evening News" Monday 6 Apr 1914 p 4

New Jersey, Deaths and Burials Index, 1798-1971

[View record](#)

Name	Louise Stephan
Birth Date	1887
Birth Place	United States
Death Date	27 Jan 1896
Death Place	Jersey City, Hudson, New Jersey
Death Age	9 years
Race	White
Marital Status	Single
Gender	Female
Father Birth Place	United States
Mother Birth Place	Switzerland
FHL Film Number	589805

NJ death record of **sister Louise Stephen (1887-1896)** -

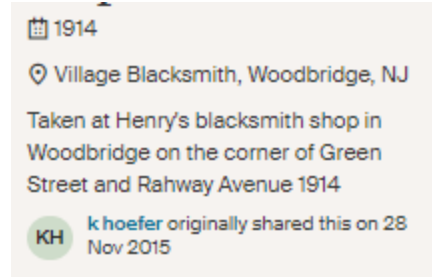
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/507402498:2540?ssrc=pt&tid=84958779&pid=48512372001>

Louise Stephen
in the New Jersey, U.S., Births and Christenings Index, 1660-1931

Name:	Louise Stephen
Gender:	Female
Birth Date:	28 Dec 1887
Birth Place:	Jersey City, Hudson, New Jersey
Residence Place:	New Jersey, USA
Father:	John Stephen
Mother:	Kleiner
FHL Film Number:	4209176

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/595180:2539>





brother **Henry Lewis Stephan (1892-1975)** & wife Theresa E. Ernst Stephan in Jul 1914 -
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HENRY L. STEPHAN
POINT PLEASANT —
 Henry L. Stephan, 83, of 1606 Calamus Pl., died yesterday.
 He retired from Anaconda Copper Inc., Woodbridge, after working as a foreman for 30 years.
 He is survived by two sons, Henry C., Freehold, and Robert W., Woodbridge; a brother, Arthur, Beaumont, Tex.; a sister, Mrs. Louise Zimmerman, Jersey City; five grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.
 The Colonial Funeral Home, Brick Township, is in charge of arrangements.

Obituary of Henry Lewis Stephan – “Asbury Park (NJ) Press” Thursday 9 Oct 1975 p 20

CHESTER R. STEPHAN

BRICK TOWNSHIP —

Chester R. Stephan, 75, of 49 Tanglewood Rd., died Sunday.

He was a retired driver for the Railway Express Agency and lived here for two-and-one-half years.

His wife was the late Dela Rouan Stephan.

Surviving are a son, Robert, here; two brothers, Arthur, Beaumont, Texas, and Henry, Point Pleasant; a sister, Mrs. Lucy Zimmerman Jersey City, and two grandchildren.

The Wheeler Funeral Home, Point Pleasant, is in charge of arrangements.

Obituary of **brother Chester R. Stephan (1899-1975)** – “Asbury Park (NJ) Plaza” Tuesday 13 May 1975 p 13

The 17-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. John Stephan died on Sunday. The funeral took place this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock and the interment followed at the Berry Lawn cemetery.

Could this be the child of John & Louise? – born ca. Nov/Dec 1902, died 8 May 1904 – buried in Berry Lawn Cemetery, Carlstadt, Bergen NJ - “Passaic (NJ) Daily News” Tuesday 10 May 1904



1952 photograph linked to **Louise Violet Stephan Zimmerman (1906-1986)** – she is identified as the woman in the light-colored suit & black cross-tie standing 2nd from left, to the right of the man with overcoat holding his hat - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/117232863/person/232401763357/media/0564271a-b20c-4567-9029-12d029f55036?_phsrc=hFB59306&_phstart=successSource

Name: Arthur Harry Stephan

Name variations:

Military:

On Tuscania: 100th Aero Squadron, 9th Squad – private

Serial number: 249,852

Entered service from: Jersey City, Hudson NJ

Sailed on “Tuscania” as: Arthur H. Stephan

Next-of-kin on “Tuscania”: father John Stephan, 425 Palisade Ave., Jersey City NJ

Returned from war on: "Louisville" May 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Arthur H. Stephan

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father John Stephan 425 Palisade Ave., Jersey City NJ (sgt, 100th Aero Sq)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Arthur Harry Stephan - b. 1 May 1895 Jersey City NJ; res: 211 Gordon, Perth Amboy NJ. Single. Iron worker, H.W> Schrimfe (spelling?) Iron Works, Perth Amboy NY. Short in height, medium build.

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): RR No. 1, Box 324, Beaumont TX

World War II draft registration (1942): as Arthur Harry Stephan - b. 12 May 1895 Jersey City NJ; res: Beaumont, Jefferson TX. Mailing address; Route 1, Box 324, Beaumont TX. NOK Mrs. A.H. Stephan, same address. Employed at Magnolia Petroleum Co., Beaumont, Jefferson TX. Height: 5'7 ½" – 165 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted: 31 Jul 1917

Discharged: 9 Jun 1919

Address: 328 Van Buren St., Beaumont TX

Rank/unit: sergeant, 100th Aero Squadron

Birth & death:

Born: 12 May 1895 Jersey City, Hudson NJ (1900 census: Nov 1894)

Died: 13 Oct 1980 Hondo, Medina Co. TX

Find A Grave record: 89959644 – presence on Tuscania indicated in flower

Burial location: Beaumont, Jefferson TX

Cemetery: Forest Lawn Memorial Park & Funeral Home

Tombstone:

Father: John Stephan, Dec 1861 or 1862 NY – after 3 Apr 1940 but before 24 Apr 1950. Son of Henry Stephan (1835-1900) & Catherine (Cathrine/Kattie) (1839-1900).

Find A Grave:

Mother: Louise Kleiner Stephan, Apr 1864 Switzerland – after 24 Apr 1950 census.

Daughter of Heinrich Kleiner & Theresia Haberer. In the 1950 census, she is age 86 & lives in Valley Stream, Nassau NY with her son Walter & his family.

Find A Grave:

Parents' marriage: 24 Dec 1884 Kings Co. NY

Spouse: Alva [Rockwell?] Love Stephan, 27 Nov 1894 VA – 25 Jan 1972 Beaumont, Jefferson TX (in St. Elizabeth Hospital. Buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park & Funeral Home, Beaumont, Jefferson TX. She is listed on her TX death record as the daughter of John Rockwell & Alva Heath, which does not explain the "Love" surname she had when she married Arthur Stephan. Buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park & Funeral Home, Beaumont, Jefferson TX.

Spouse Find A Grave: 89959574

Marriage: 20 Dec 1921 Jefferson Co. TX

Spouse: Mary Elizabeth ("Lee") Love Maples Stephan, 20 Jun 1899 [May 1899 in the 1900 census for San Angelo, Tom Green TX] San Antonio, Bexar TX – 25 Jan 1985 Hondo, Medina TX. Daughter of Olin Bascom Love (1856-1913, F: 68813012) & Janie O. Park (1859-1941, F: 68812995). Married Leander (Lee) Maples (1896-1954, F: 63763145) on 13 July 1925.

Leander was the son of Wylan McCampbell Maples & Amanda Rebecca Carruth. Received a B.A. degree from the TX State College for Women in Denton TX.

In the 1930 Fort Worth, Tarrant TX census, Leander Maples (34 TX, father b. TN, mother b. Ireland, airplane mechanic, airplanes, WWI veteran) lived with wife Elizabeth L. Maples (29 TX, father b. MS, mother b. LA) & son Lea L. (3 TX) & his mother-in-law O.B. Love, 71 AL, parents b. GA, widow.

In the 1940 census for Fort Worth, Tarrant TX, Elizabeht L. Maples, 39 TX, was married & employed in advertising at a department store. She lived with husband Leander Maples, 43 TX, a maintenance supervisor at an Army school, their son Lea L. Maples (13 TX) & her mother Janie P. Love, 81 AL.

Married Arthur Harry Stephan on when he was age 77 & she was 67. She reverted to the surname Maples after his death; listed as "Elizabeth Love" on his TX death record.

Buried, as if Leander Maples, in Fairmount Cemetery, San Angelo, Tom Green Co. TX.

Spouse Find A Grave: 63763143

Marriage: 2 Jan 1973 Jefferson Co. TX – Lee Love, age 67. Arthur was age 77.

Children:

Siblings:

- John W. Stephan, 5 Apr 1886 Manhattan NY – 20 Jul 1966 Point Pleasant Beach, Ocean NJ. SSN 139-01-3960. Married in 1911 in NJ to Freda Amelia Bausch (1883-1963). When he fell off a steeple he was working on, in May 1911, he was called a bridegroom of 4 months. Not on Find A Grave as of 23 Jan 2023.
- Louise Stephan, 28 Dec 1887 Jersey City, Hudson NJ – 27 Jan 1896 Jersey City, Hudson NJ. First daughter named Louise. Not on Find A Grave as of 23 Jan 2023.
- Hermina (Minnie) K. Stephan Burke, 2 May 1889 Jersey City, Hudson NJ – Jun 1967 Jersey City, Hudson NJ. Married in 1916 in NJ to Frank Burke (1887-1966, F: 228096724). Buried in Hoboken Cemetery, North Bergen, Hudson NJ. F: 228096224
- Henry Lewis Stephan, 25 Jun 1894 Jersey City, Hudson NJ – 6 Oct 1975 Point Pleasant Beach, Ocean NJ. SSN 139-01-8294. Married Theresa E. Ernst (1896-1973). Interment not noted in his obituary in the "Asbury Park (NJ) Press" Thursday 9 Oct 1975 p 20; not on Find A Grave as of 23 Jan 2023.
- Chester R. Stephan, 25 Dec 1899 Hudson Co. NJ – 11 May 1975 Brick township, Ocean NJ. Married in 1931 in NJ to Della Ronan/Ruane/Rouan, who preceded him in death. She was born 22 Sep 1899 in NJ to James Ruane & Mary Gannon & d. Nov 1970. Della Stephan is buried in St. Catherine's Cemetery, Sea Girt, Monmouth NJ, F: 92392381. Chester is not on Find A Grave as of 23 Jan 2023.
- Walter E. Stephan, 29 Apr 1902 NJ – 19 Aug 1974. Husband of Edna M. Kruse (1899-1991, F: 87487423). In the 1950 census for Valley Stream, Nassau NY, residing in the household of Walter Stephan (47 NJ, a leading (loading?) man at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, are his wife

Edna (50 NJ), daughter Edna L. (11 NY) & his mother Louise, 86 Switzerland, a widow. Buried in Raleigh Memorial Park, Raleigh, Wake NC. F: 110181979

- Child Stephan. A 17-month-old child of John Stephan dies in May 1904 ("Passaic [NJ] Daily News" Tuesday 10 May 1904 p 8) & is buried in Berry Lawn Cemetery, Carlstadt, Bergen NJ.
- Louise Violet ("Lucy") Stephan Zimmerman, ca. 1906 NJ – 8 Aug 1986 NJ. Second daughter named Louise. Married in 1939 in NJ to John A. Zimmerman (1900 NJ – 1980 NJ). In the 1940 census, John & Louise Zimmerman live at 425 Palisade Ave., Jersey City, Hudson NJ. Louise is buried in Holy Cross Cemetery & Mausoleum, North Arlington, Bergen NJ. F: 94018833

Notes:

Family tree at: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/84958779/person/48508096607/facts>

Pre-war:

Wartime:

enlisted July 1917 at Perth Amboy NY, then to TX for training

"Central New Jersey Home News" (Brunswick NJ) 10 Feb 1918 p 1 - of 211 Gordon St., Perth Amboy NJ, a survivor. Address on lists is Palisade Ave., Jersey City, however, where his family moved recently. Enlisted in Perth Amboy 20 Jul 1917 in aviation section of Signal Corps, went to Newark, then Ft. Slocum, then TX

Post-war:

Obituary:

TX death record: died of renal failure, complicated by diabetes. Was a maintenance supervisor at Mobil Oil Co. Wife: Elizabeth Love.

Social Security number: 456-01-6632

Censuses:

1895 NJ state census – Jersey City, Hudson NJ

John Stephan

Louise

John

Louise

Mina

Henry

Arthur

1900 Jersey City, Hudson NJ

John Stephan, 38 NY, Dec 1861, parents b. Germany, married 15 years, cigar mfg.

Louise, 35 Switzerland, parents b. Switzerland, gave birth to 6 children, 5 are living

John Jr., 14 NY, Apr 1886

Minnie, 10 NJ, May 1890

Henry, 7 NJ, Aug 1892

Arthur, 5 NJ, Nov 1894

Dorothea, 5 months NJ, Dec 1899 [son Chester is born in Dec 1899]

1905 NJ state census – Jersey City, Hudson NJ – 425 Palisade Ave.

John Stephan, 44 NJ, Dec 1861, parents b. Germany, cigar mfg.

Louise, 41 Switzerland, Mar 1864, father b. Germany, mother b. Switzerland

John W., 19 NY, Apr 1886, machinist

Minna, 15 NJ, May 1890, school

Henry, 13 NJ, Aug 1892, school

Arthur, 10 NJ, May 1895, school

Chester, 9 NJ, Dec 1896, school

Walter, 3 NJ, Apr 1902

1910 Jersey City, Hudson NJ

John Stephan, 48 NY, parents b. Germany, in 1st marriage, married 25 years, manufacturer, cigar

Louise, 46 Switzerland, parents b. Switzerland, in 1st marriage, gave birth to 8 children, 7 are living

John Jr., 24 NY, single, meat-worker, factory

Minnie, 19 NJ, single, operator, infant (?) wear

Henry, 17 NJ, tin-smith, apprentice

Arthur, 14 NJ, mail-boy, hardware

Chester, 10 NJ

Walter, 7 NJ

Louise Jr., 4 NJ

1915 NJ state census – Jersey City, Hudson NJ – Palisade Ave.

John Stephan, 53 NY, Dec 1862, parents b. Germany, cigar mfg.

Louise, 50 Germany, Mar 1865, parents b. Germany, housewife

Henry, 23 NJ, Aug 1892, iron worker

Hermine, 25 NJ, May 1890, silk operator

Arthur, 20 NJ, May 1895, office clerk

Chester, 16 NJ, Dec 1899, at school

Walter, 12 NJ, Apr 1903, at school

Louise, 11 NJ, Aug 1904, at school

1920 Beaumont, Jefferson TX

Arthur STAPHEN/STEPHON, 24 NJ, single, father b. NY, mother b. Switzerland, mechanic, ship yard, roomer with:
Henry P. & Lizzie Falkenhagen

1930 Precinct 1, Jefferson Co. TX – Treadway Rd.
Arthur STEPHON, 35 NJ, father b. NY, mother b. Switzerland, age 27 at 1st marriage, machinist, refining, WWI veteran
Alva, 36 VA, father b. PA, mother b. VA

1940 Jefferson Co. TX – same house in 1935
Arthur Stephan, 45 NY, labor foreman, oil refinery
Alva 46 VA

1940 Jersey City, Hudson NJ – 425 Palisade Ave. – conducted 3 Apr 1940 – Louise lists herself in the 1950 census (24 Apr 1950) as a widow.
John Stephan, 78 NY, cigar maker, retail store
Louise, 76 Switzerland, naturalized

1950 Beaumont, Jefferson TX – Treadway Rd.
Arthur H. Stephan, 55 NJ, father b. US, mother b. Switzerland, foreman, labor gang, oil refinery
Ava, 55 VA