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Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

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One of the Spooner (WI) boys
Shaffer, Henry Willard
1898 OH – 1984 CA



Photograph from Spooner (WI) Advocate, February 15, 1918, page 4



Nellie (Chamberlain) & Henry Willard Shaffer - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/65150395/person/40133636694/media/65ad071e-edc5-4de1-bc04-661d124c4841?_phsrc=hFB54981&_phstart=successSource



Shaffer Family Photo

📅 abt 1900



George A. Shaffer and May G. Farrar-Shaffer with their two children, Harold Cleo Shaffer and Henry Willard Shaffer. Henry appears to be wearing a Christening dress, which was common back then.



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The Shaffer family ca. 1900: father George, mother May, older brother Harold Cleo and infant Henry Willard



Henry Willard Shaffer (at right) with daughter Vivian & son Eugene (Gene) -
https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/65150395/person/40133636694/media/a5b3b34d-9058-420f-9783-cbd96cf4eaa3?_phsrc=hFB54985&_phstart=successSource



Nellie Mae (Chamberlain) and Henry Shaffer - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/65150395/person/40133636694/media/e49c493e-488a-4e03-aaf3-c85d0c6b1dba?_phsrc=hFB54986&_phstart=successSource



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Wedding photo on 2 Feb 1952 in San Diego Co. CA: from left Henry Willard Shaffer, his wife Nellie Mae (Chamberlain) Shaffer, their son (the groom) Eugene (Gene) Shaffer, his bride Donna Sheffield, mother of the bride Beverly Mae (Madox) Sheffield & father of the bride Harry Wilbur Sheffield -

https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/2336101/person/-1838691105/media/6d389e65-dfed-425d-a139-5239921556ee?_phsrc=hFB54977&_phstart=successSource



According to Grandson William Shaffer, Henry Shaffer was a Master Gunsmith and a Machinist; he designed 30-06 rifles, which he handcrafted in his garage on 40th Street in San Diego, California in about 1957. The example shown in the photos was the first of approximately fifteen 30-06 rifles he made. William Shaffer owns this one, which he used to kill a Bull Moose that weighed 900 lbs.



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Shaffer Family Photo

📅 abt 1953



with Gene, Harold and Katherine (Daley), Vivian and Henry Shaffer. The children are Karen (Mitchell) and Bill Shaffer, as well as Donald, Cathy and Richard Augustine.



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Hiram Chamberlain with children Nellie (with Henry), Rose, and Charles with Evelyn



<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GSln=shaffer&GSfn=henry&GSbyrel=all&GSdyrel=all&GSst=6&GSctry=4&GSob=n&GRid=116959882&df=all&>

and

<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GSln=shaffer&GSiman=1&GScid=1447268&GRid=116959882&>

FindAGrave Record #116959882

This is original cut
 from paper when it
 happened. It had drizzled
 a solid ~~two~~ week!
 He tore back muscles & had
 concussion from dropping
 cement. He found the cesspool
 all right ha ha

Newspaper Clipping Explanation

📅 abt 1946

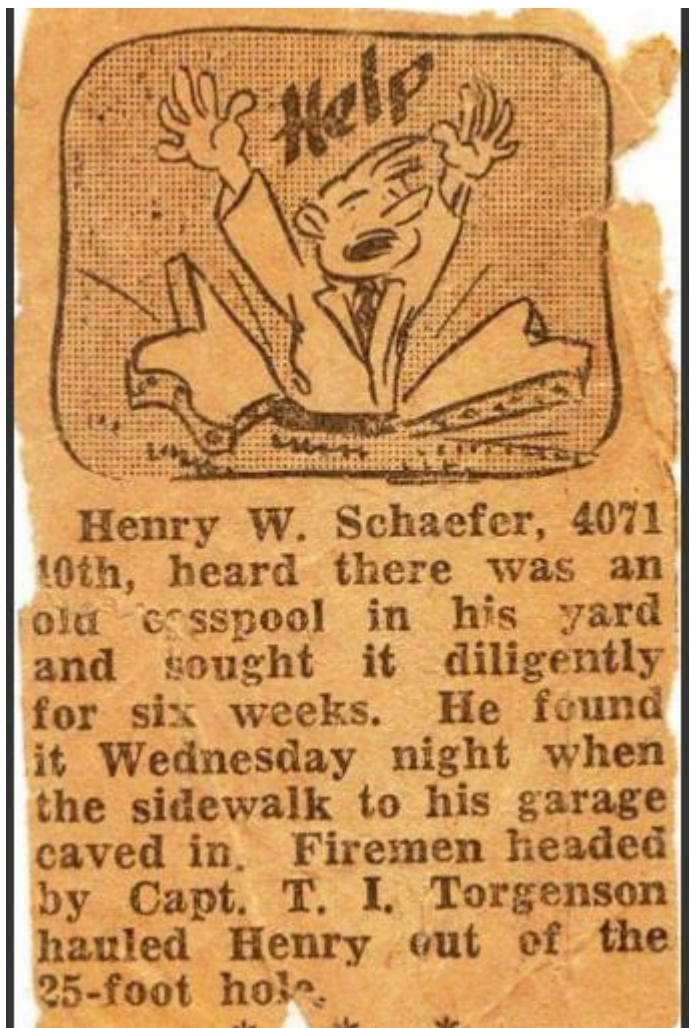
📍 4071 40th Street, San Diego,
California, USA

This handwritten explanation letter, which accompanied the noted newspaper clipping, confirmed Henry W. Shaffer accidentally fell into a 25-foot deep cesspool he had been looking for on his property. As a result of the fall, Henry tore back muscles and sustained a concussion, according to the family member who wrote this explanation.



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Newspaper Clipping

abt 1946

4071 40th Street, San Diego, California, USA

This newspaper clipping confirmed Henry W. Shaffer accidentally fell into a 25-foot deep cesspool he had been looking for on his property for about six weeks. As a result of the fall, Henry tore back muscles and sustained a concussion, according to a handwritten explanation that accompanied the clipping. It should be noted that the newspaper spelled Henry's last name as Schaefer, which is incorrect.



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REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after February 17, 1897 and on or before December 31, 1921)

SERIAL NUMBER	1. NAME (Print)			ORDER NUMBER
T <u>132</u>	<u>Henry</u>	<u>Willard</u>	<u>Shaffer</u>	T <u>10737</u>
	(First)	(Middle)	(Last)	

2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print)
4071-40th St. San Diego, San Diego, California
(Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)

[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]

3. MAILING ADDRESS
Same
[Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same]

4. TELEPHONE	5. AGE IN YEARS	6. PLACE OF BIRTH
<u>Randolph 3235</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>Springfield</u>
(Exchange) (Number)	DATE OF BIRTH	(Town or county)
	<u>February 20, 1893</u>	<u>Ohio</u>
	(Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)	(State or country)

7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS
Harold C. Shaffer 63rd St, Encanto, Calif.

8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS
U.S. Army (Camp Callan) War Dept.

9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS
Camp Callan
(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.

D. S. S. Form 1
 (Revised 1-1-42) (over) ☆ GPO 16-21630-1

Henry W. Shaffer
(Registrant's signature)

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

RACE		HEIGHT (Approx.)		WEIGHT (Approx.)		COMPLEXION	
White	☒	5'11"		220		Sallow	
		EYES		HAIR		Light	
Negro		Blue	☒	Blonde	☒	Ruddy	☒
		Gray		Red		Dark	
Oriental		Hazel		Brown		Freckled	
		Brown		Black		Light brown	
Indian		Black		Gray		Dark brown	
				Bald		Black	
Filipino							

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification

Scar on right thumb

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

None to my knowledge

Ray C. Heuler

(Signature of registrar)

Registrar for Local Board **164** **San Diego, Calif.**
(Number) (City or county) (State)

Date of registration **February 14, 1942**

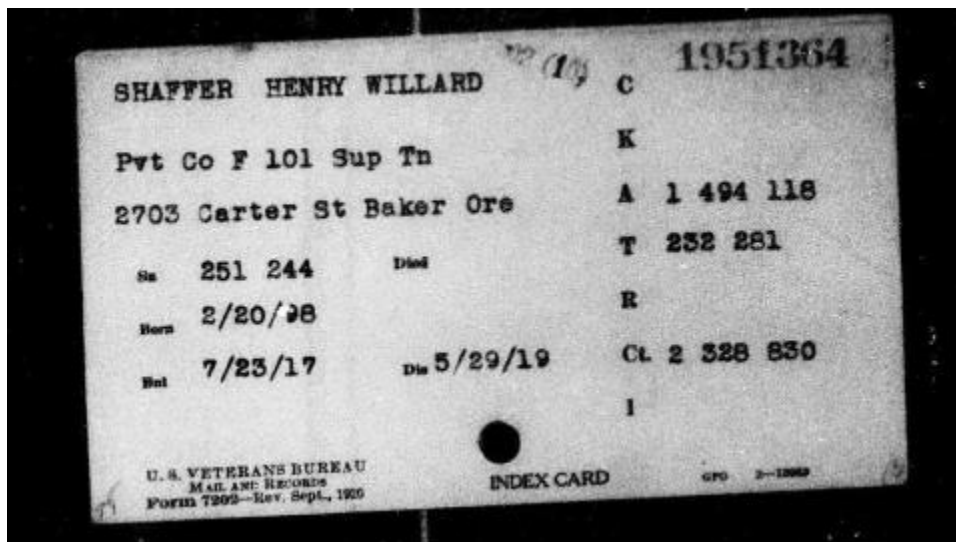
SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM

Local Board No. 164

4689 Felton St. San Diego, Calif

(STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space)



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Below: The *Chula Vista (CA) Star-News* 23 Jul 1967 p 2 notes Henry's speech at a meeting about land development. Mrs. Faye Brice in her two-hour "sermon" to the city council about developing 100 acres with federal aid linked the plan to a nationwide conspiracy against private property. The development of a rapid mass transit system was part of the plot. Also speaking was Henry W. Shaffer, whose address is listed as 4017 – 40th Street in San Diego. Henry is quoted as "Why don't you label them for what they are. This is communism at its finest workings. It is the product of Moscow." Henry identified himself afterwards and added, "I laid my life on the block for this country in World War I."

Opponent To Development Preaches Against Civil Evils

A two-hour sermon against the evils of government was delivered by Mrs. Faye Brice, retired realtor and minister, at Kimball community building Thursday.

Mrs. Brice linked the City Council's plan, to develop 100 acres of industrial land with federal assistance, to a vast the exception of Oceanside have signed away the rights of the cities in regional agreements."

He said they make "five, ten and 15 year plans which make you think of another country. You can only draw the comparison."

One man who handed out the power hungry—the dictators."

IN HER SPEECH Mrs. Brice blasted the League of California Cities, the Ford Foundation, the University of California, San Diego and South Bay newspapers, and television stations for spreading propaganda.

nation-wide conspiracy being run from Chicago and New York."

"THE CITY COUNCIL doesn't understand this," she said. "They do not know what they are doing. This is just not a local fight."

Mrs. Brice spoke before an audience of almost 100 persons, who came from all parts of San Diego County. One man identified himself as living in Los Angeles.

The speaker warned the audience that the trend toward the development of a rapid mass transit system is part of the plan which includes urban renewal plots against private property.

"IT IS ALL socialism," she said, "and I hate socialism whether it is in Russia or America."

One man rose and said, "Why don't you label them for what they are. This is communism at its finest workings. It is the product of Moscow."

The man later identified himself as Henry W. Shaffer, of 4017 40th St., San Diego. He said "I laid my life on the block for this country in World War I."

ONE MAN who fed Mrs. Brice questions from a microphone in the back of the hall later identified himself as Laurence Butler of El Cajon.

He said he is the chairman of a group known as the San Diego County Citizens for the Protection of Private Property.

BUTLER said "the mayors of 12 cities in the county with

literature published by the Liberty Amendment organization refused to identify himself to reporters.

He said "no comment" when asked his name. The material was published by a Los Angeles firm.

ANOTHER MAN passed out pamphlets with the name of the National City Home Protective League stamped on it. The publisher was listed as "The Independent American, a national conservative newspaper." It was published in New Orleans.

The audience cheered Mrs. Brice when she said "If the National City Chamber of Commerce and the City Coun-

cil had the true spirit of American free enterprise they would do it" (develop the 100 acre slough and hill area).

Mrs. Brice blasted government officials from President Johnson down to Mayor Kile Morgan, singling out Robert S. Weaver, who holds the cabinet post of Director of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, for a special attack.

WHEN URGED by one member of the audience to call the conspirators against the "American way of life," communists, Mrs. Brice said: "Communism has not been achieved anywhere in the world yet. Russia has socialism. When communism is achieved they tell us the big wigs will fade away and we will all be one big happy family."

She said, "But that will never be. There will always be

National City's general plan was adopted last year "for the purpose of bringing urban renewal to the city," she said. She used slides from the general plan in her speech.

She told her audience that "people sitting here tonight will lose their homes." She told a story "which is not an isolated case," of an elderly man "taken from his home in a straight jacket, his wife on a stretcher, and both thrown in jail."

"PEOPLE are being brain-washed with double talk," she said. "The prerogative of the government is to lie to people and it looks like they are lying to us from the top all the way down."

Mrs. Brice said she is an "American, a concerned and angry American. I just kinda like the old fashioned American way of doing things."

Mrs. Florence Uzumeci, a member of the John Birch Society, and Mrs. M. D. Chamber, a member of the National City Home Protective League, assisted with the meeting.

MAYOR KILE MORGAN sat quietly in the audience while speakers quoted and derided his remarks. Councilman Joe Reid was also present.

Dale Faris, an industrialist whose \$1 million plant is located in the area proposed for development and who supports the council's plan, said after the meeting, "This is turning into one of the biggest witch hunts this country has seen in a long time."

77: Granted application of Henry W. Shaffer for a license to operate a pool hall in Lemon Grove.

"Chula Vista (CA) Star" Friday 24 May 1940 p 8

Children:



Son Harold Cecil Shaffer (1921-1983), ca. 1945 - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/65150395/person/40133635731/media/376d9085-e478-4232-9292-c1c6347974dc>



Marriage of son **Harold C. Shaffer (1894-1975)** to Katherine E. Daley on 15 Sep 1946 in NJ – left: “Hackensack (NJ) Record” Monday 23 Sep 1946 p 14 – right: https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/100241767/person/190001409211/media/c7a8be70-d1b5-4a86-a0af-b1e99b3b38a2?_phsrc=hFB54995&_phstart=successSource



Daughter Vivian Shaffer Augustine (1923-2012), Hoover High School, San Diego CA 1939 yearbook - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/366499914:1265>

VIVIAN AUGUSTINE OBITUARY

AUGUSTINE, VIVIAN M. 6/23/1920 -
12/25/2012 Smart Cremation (FD 2052)
Published by San Diego Union-Tribune on Dec.
27, 2012.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/sandiegouniontribune/name/vivian-augustine-obituary?pid=161975333>



Wedding photo on 2 Feb 1952 in San Diego Co. CA of Eugene Edward (Gene) Shaffer & Donna Sheffield - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/65150395/person/40133636697/media/d8fdae01-f762-44d6-a197-4ae5722e1ff0>

Father:



Father George Allen Shaffer, Doris Madsen Shaffer (Werden's wife) & mother May Glenna Shaffer –
Jun 1937, Dairyland, Douglas WI –

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Werden Lionel Shaffer (left) with mother May Glenna Farrar Shaffer & father George Allen Shaffer – Dairyland, Douglas WI Jul 1938 - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/65150395/person/40134216594/media/9b348af5-774a-425c-be76-b193066b6a0d?_phsrc=hFB55003&_phstart=successSource



May Glenna Farrar & Milton Farrar, ca. 1886 South Vienna OH -

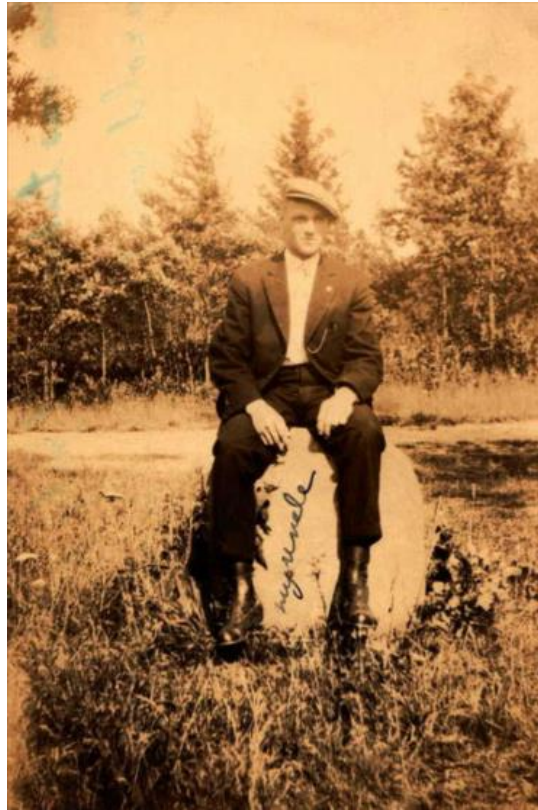
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Siblings:



Harold Cleo Shaffer, just before going to war – July 1918, Washburn WI -
<https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/65150395/person/40134216595/media/4dcf0bfe-a453-4d9e-bdc6-196b508a7367>

Gladys Edith Salthammer in the California, U.S., Death Index, 1940-1997	
Detail	Source
Name: Gladys Edith Salthammer [Gladys Edith Shaffer]	
Gender: Female	
Birth Date: 4 Feb 1903	
Birth Place: Ohio	
Death Date: 1 Aug 1959	
Death Place: San Diego	
Mother's Maiden Name: Farrar	
Father's Surname: Shaffer	

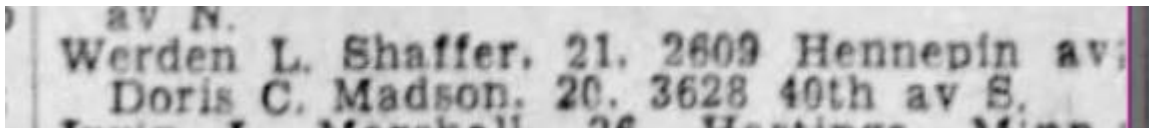
CA death record of **sister Gladys Edith Shaffer Salthammer (1903-1959)** -
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui->

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Brother Werden Lionel Shaffer (1910-1990), wearing his sister Gladys's eyeglasses -

<https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/65150395/person/40134216597/media/2712c18f-92c8-44db-850c-e0fed086d6c4>



Marriage license – “Minneapolis (MN) Star Tribune” Tuesday 8 Dec 1931 p 17

Name: Henry Willard Shafer

Name variations:

Military:

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

Serial number: 251,244

Entered service from: Spooner, Washburn WI

Sailed on “Tuscania” as: Henry Willard Shaffer

Next-of-kin on “Tuscania”: father George Shaffer, RR1, Spooner WI

Returned from war on: “Winifredian” Apr 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Henry W. Shaffer

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. May Shaffer, Spooner WI (pvt, Co. F, 101st Supply Train)

World War I draft registration (1917):

World War II draft registration (1942): as Henry Willard Shaffer - b. 20 Feb 1898 Springfield [sic] OH; res: 4071 - 40th St., San Diego, San Diego CA. NOK Harold C. Shaffer, 63rd St., Encanto CA. Employed by US Army War Department at Camp Callan [which is correctly spelled Camp Callam on another line]. "scar on right thumb" Height: 5'11" – 200 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted: 23 Jul 1917

Discharged: 29 May 1919

Address: 2703 Carter St., Baker OR

Rank/unit: private, Co. F, 101st Supply Train

Birth & death:

Born: 20 Feb 1898 OH Springfield, Clark OH

Died: 1 Aug 1984 San Diego, San Diego CA

Find A Grave record: 116959882 – presence on Tuscania indicated in flower

Burial location: San Diego, San Diego CA

Cemetery: Cypress View Mausoleum & Crematory

Tombstone:

Father: George Allen Shaffer, 22 Apr 1876 OH – 4 Jun 1950 San Diego Co. CA. Although online sources provide a birthdate for George of April 1876 or in 1878 in Ohio, George's draft registration card filled out on September 11, 1918, gave his birthdate as 22 Apr 1874 & his age as 44. George lists his occupation at the time as a railroad brakeman for the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railway (the "Omaha"). He lists his wife as "May Glennal." The 1940 census shows George & May Shaffer living with a 13-year-old grandson Kose Youngquist (spelling?) in Dairyland township, Douglas WI. Buried in Cypress View Mausoleum & Crematory, San Diego, San Diego CA.

Find A Grave: 116959890

Mother: May Glenna Farrar Shaffer, 1875 OH – 1943, likely CA. Henry's mother May Farrar Shaffer was born in 1875 in Ohio and died in 1943, likely in California. Buried in Cypress View Mausoleum & Crematory, San Diego, San Diego CA.

Find A Grave: 116959898

Parents' marriage:

Spouse: Nellie Mae Chamberlain Shaffer, 3 Mar 1901 WI – 23 Jun 1990 San Diego Co. CA. Daughter of Hiram Leslie Chamberlain (1871 MN – 1949 CA, F: 5401568) & Maria Louise French (F: 5401590). Nellie is listed in the 1905 WI as living in Brooklyn Township, Washburn County, with her parents and younger sister, Pearl J. Chamberlain (ca. 1904 MN). Her brother Charles Leslie Chamberlain is born in 1913 in Shell Lake, Washburn WI.

Buried in Cypress View Mausoleum & Crematory, San Diego, San Diego CA.

Spouse Find A Grave: 116959883

Marriage: 21 Sep 1919 Washburn Co. WI. Reported in the "Duluth (MN) News Tribune" 22 Sep 1919, listing Henry's name in error as "Fred Shaffer." Nellie Chamberlain was a resident of Shell Lake, Washburn WI.

Children:

- Vivian Marie Shaffer Augustine, 23 Jun 1920 Brown Co. WI – 25 Dec 2012 CA. Her brother Harold's Aug 1983 obituary says he is survived by his sister, Vivien Augustine. In the 1950 census for Jacumba, San Diego CA, Vivian M. Augustine (29 WI) lives with husband "Lawrence" J. Augustine (25 CA) & their son Donald A. (1 CA). He is a mill house operator, chicken grit & she is a housekeeper. Laurence Jacob Augustine, born 14 Oct 1923 CA, died 12 Mar 1982 San Diego Co. CA, SSN 554-26-9248, married Veinne F. Poe on 14 Jul 1972. They divorced Aug 1975.
- Harold Cecil Shaffer, 25 Sep 1921 Washburn Co. WI – Aug 1983 San Diego Co. CA. Harold's birth is announced in the "Spooner (WI) Advocate." Married to Katherine Gertrude Daley (6 Jan 1919 NJ – 28 Jan 2016 San Diego Co. CA, F: 171217489) on 15 Sep 1946 in Little Terry, Bergen NJ. Katherine was the daughter of John Joseph Daley (F: 205605545) & Mary Elizabeth May (F: 232962590). Harold & Katherine are buried in El Camino Memorial Park, San Diego, San Diego CA. F: 171127501.
- Eugene Edward (Gene) Shaffer, 30 Jul 1927 San Diego Co. CA – 17 Jan 1996 Oregon City, Clackamas OR. When the census was taken in Apr 1930, Gene was age 2 years & 9 months old. Married 1952 to Donna Lea Sheffield Dodge (1932 CA – 1995 OR, F: 93269109) who was earlier married to Gordon Owen Dodge (1928-1985) in 1949. Donna was the daughter of Harry Wilbur Sheffield & Beverly Mae Madox. - Buried in Mountain View Cemetery, Oregon City, Clackamas OR. F: 93269111

Siblings:

- Harold Cleo Shaffer, 3 Aug 1894 Brighton, Lorain OH - 27 Oct 1975 El Cajon, San Diego CA. Harold was living in Evergreen Township, Washburn Co. WI at the time of his registration for the WWI draft. He gave a birthdate of 3 Aug 1894 in Brighton OH & was employed as a gas engine tractor engineer for Robert Mathews at Wavey Creek Post Office, Saskatchewan, Canada. He had re-entered the US from Canada in North Dakota on 28 Jul 1917 so that he could register. Harold served as a US Army private 1st class in WWI. July 28, 1917, so he could register. Harold was a private 1st class in World War I. – Marie Marie I. Carlo (Kaarlo) on 23 Nov 1932 in MN; divorced 8 Oct 1943 in Wayne Co. MI & again on 3 Feb 1956 in Canyon Co. ID. They had 2 daughters: June (1923-2011) & Joan (1935-1998). – Married Alice M. Cassidy (1913 ME – 1982 CA) who in 1940 was listed with him as his housekeeper. - Buried in Greenwood Memorial Park, San Diego, San Diego CO. F: 128472490.
- Gladys Edith Shaffer Youngquist Salthammer, 4 Feb 1903 OH – 1 Aug 1959 San Diego Co. CA. Resided with her family in Spooner, Washburn WI in 1920 census. She is mentioned in the 7 Sep 1923 Spooner (WI) *Advocate*: May Shaffer, her children Gladys & Werden, and Mrs. Harold Shaffer of Dairy Farm WI drove to Spooner WI Thursday & returned on Friday. – Gladys E. Shaffer married Roscoe Benjamin Youngquist on 225 Dec 1925 in Hennepin Co. MN. Roscoe was born 1 Jun 1891 MN & died 20 Feb 1960 in Hennepin Co. MN. He is buried in Fort Snelling National Cemetery, Minneapolis, Hennepin MN, F: 3518368. Roscoe was the son of Frank Youngquist & Carolie Haltman/Hiltman/Holtman. In the 1920 census he is single & in the 1930 census he is divorced. - In the 1930 census for Minneapolis, Hennepin MN, Gladys E. Youngquist (37 OH, divorced) telegraph operator, lived with her brother "Warden" (Werden) S. Shaffer at 2210 – 5th Ave. - As Gladys Youngquist, married Arthur Salthammer on 5 Sep 1935 in Cass Co. ND. In the 1950 census for San Diego, San Diego CA, Gladys Salthammer (46 OH, divorced) had living with her son Ross Salthammer (23) &

father George Shaffer (73).– Buried in Cypress View Mausoleum & Crematory, San Diego, San Diego CA. F: 122235205.

- Werden (“Werdie”) Lionel Shaffer, 15 Feb 1910 San Diego Co. CA – 11 Apr 1990 Burnett Co. WI or Washburn Co. WI [the 2 WI birth records disagree] Was married to Doris Caroline Madsen as of the 1940 census & living in Ward 8, Minneapolis, Hennepin MN at 3132 Grand Avenue S., employed as a packer for mail order. Doris (1911 MN – 1990 MN) & Werden married on 19 Dec 1931 in Hennepin Co. MN. - He was divorced from Doris in Burnett Co. WI on 26 Oct 1981 when he was 71 years old and she was 70. Buried in River Hill Cemetery, Dairyland, Douglas WI. F: 57653039

Notes:

Resources:

Wartime Photograph: *Spooner Advocate*, February 15, 1918, p. 4

Wartime letters reprinted in these issues of the *Spooner Advocate*:

March 21, 1919 (his letter) – March 21, 1919 (mentioned in letter written by his brother Harold C. Shaffer)

Ancestry.com online photograph files of members of the Chamberlain family:

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Pre-war:

The first mention of Henry Shaffer in the *Spooner (WI) Advocate* occurs in the 23 Feb 1917 issue, when he was elected reporter in the Rocky Ridge Literary Club, which sponsored debates. His sister Gladys was elected to the group’s committee. Rocky Ridge lies northwest of the city of Spooner. Henry also attended the meeting on 3 Mar 1917 at the Evergreen Town Hall, for the “poverty social.” These were events in which attendees dressed in ragged clothes.

The “Little Valley” column in the *Spooner (WI) Advocate* of 9 Mar 1917 reported that Henry and his father George Shaffer were harvesting ice from Spring Lake that week.

Wartime:

Henry was 19 years old the day the *Tuscania* sank. Listed on the passenger roster as Henry Willard Shaffer, he sailed as a private first class in the 107th Supply Train, Company E, listing his father George Shaffer, Rural Route 1 of Spooner WI, as his next-of-kin.

He recalled the first anniversary of the *Tuscania* sinking in a letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Shaffer, written from France on 6 Feb 1919 & printed in the *Spooner (WI) Advocate* of 21

Mar 1919. "Can you guess what I was doing a year ago at about 5:50 p.m.? I was thinking of taking a pretty cold swim and little did I ever think of being on my way home a year from that date."

In a letter home to his parents written on 6 Feb 1919 from France, Henry says he has seen enough of France to satisfy him the rest of his life – and now only wants to see the Statue of Liberty as he sails home. He was occupied as a truck driver in the service, then as a cook for a week, but will be glad when he's removed from the trucks as he is very tired of driving. He was happy to do his job in the war, but will be much happier when disembarking from the train in Spooner. He will be accompanied home by Harry Edwards.

Listed as Henry W. Shaffer, he sailed home aboard *Winifredian*, which left Brest, France, on 6 Apr 1919, and arrived in Boston, Massachusetts, on 19 Apr 1919. He listed his mother, Mrs. May Shaffer of Spooner WI, as his next-of-kin. He returned home at a lower rank – private – in Company F of the 101st Supply Train.

Post-war:

In 1920, Henry Shaffer joined the American Legion in Spooner, Washburn WI, and in 1921 was elected to the membership committee.

It appears that Henry Shaffer possessed some wrestling skills, defeating the carnival wrestler at the county fair in September 1921. In Mar 1922, he also defeated John McCarty of Shell Lake, Washburn WI, the brother of Harry McCarty, his *Tuscania* colleague.

Obituary:

Social Security number: 572-12-1993

Censuses:

1900 Springfield township, Springfield city, Clark Co. OH
 George Shaffer, 24 OH, Apr 1876, father b. PA, mother b. OH, married 6 years, laborer, shop
 May, 25 OH, May 1875, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living
 Harold C., 5 OH, Aug 1894
 Henry W., 2 OH, Feb 1898
 & boarder Milton Farrar, 15 WI, Jan 1882, parents b. OH, salesman, grocery

1910 San Diego, San Diego CA – Irving Ave. – conducted 26 Apr 1900
 George Shaffer, 34 OH, parents b. OH, married 16 years, in 1st marriage, electrician, street car barn
 Mary G., 35 OH, parents b. OH, in 1st marriage, gave birth to 4 children, 4 are living
 Harold C., 15 OH, clothes cleaner, tailor shop
 Henry W., 12 OH
 Gladys E., 7 OH
 Worden L., 2 months CA

1920 Spooner, Washburn WI – Elm St.

George A. Shaffer, 42 OH, father b. PA, mother b. OH, blacksmith, general shop [in 1922 his blacksmith shop is on River St., in Spooner WI]

May G., 43 OH, parents b. OH

Harold C., 25 OH, brakeman, steam railroad

Henry W., 21 OH, married, brakeman, steam railroad

Nellie W., 18 WI, married, parents b. US

Gladys E., 16 OH

Werden S., 9 CA [indexed as Warden but misread]

[for the Shaffer children, both parents b. OH]

1930 San Diego, San Diego CA – 294 Railroad Ave. - conducted Apr 1930

Henry Shaffer, 32 OH, parents b. US, laborer, poultry ranch, WWI veteran

Nellie, 29 WI, parents b. WI, housework, private home

Vivian, 10 WI

Harold, 9 WI

Gene, 2 years 9 months CA

1940 San Diego, San Diego CA – 4065 – 40th St. - same house in 1935

Henry W. Shaffer, 42 OH, tractor operator, 11581 W.P.A.

Nellie May, 39 WI

Harold, 18 WI

Gene, 12 CA

1950 cannot locate