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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

Shell, John Wesley, Jr.
1892 NC – 1970 NJ





Julie Lawrence Rodriguez

February 12 · 🌐

John Wesley Shell (1860-1940) and Emma Combs Shell's children:

This is my great-grandmother Lunda Shell (Lawrence) with her siblings. Their great-great grandfather was Daniel L Shell (1785-1865), pioneer of Shell Creek, TN. 😊

My ancestral line is as follows:

Daniel L Shell>George H Shell>Franklin Dugger Shell>John Wesley Shell>Lunda Lorena Shell (Lawrence)>Howard Wright Lawrence>John Lawrence (my dad)

Their grandfather Franklin Dugger Shell moved the family from Carter County, TN to Sugar Grove, NC.

Pictured are as follows:

Front: Clara, Beulah, Lunda, Dora

Back: John Wesley Jr, Carl, Don, Earl (not pictured, Charlie)

The children of John Wesley Shell Sr. & Emma Combs Shell – Front (left to right): Clara, Beulah, Lunda Dora – back (left to right): John Wesley Jr., Albert Donald, William Carl, Earl Weldon. Not pictured: Charles. Carter - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/164368587/person/172139803723/media/1b4dee82-fb92-4731-b9b6-329a389af30d?_phsrc=hFB55345&_phstart=successSource AND https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/164368587/person/172139803723/media/5dd662a2-b06d-4fff-a2d6-197fd8ee51a7?_p

JOHN W. SHELL**NEW SHREWSBURY —**

John W. Shell, 77, of 5206 Asbury Ave., died Saturday at Monmouth Medical Center, Long Branch.

Mr. Shell was born in Bethel, N.C. He lived here for the last 30 years and was formerly of Franklin Square, N.Y.

He was a material control director at Earle Naval Ammunition Depot, Colts Neck Township, where he had worked 30 years until his retirement in 1961.

Mr. Shell was an Army Air Force Veteran of World War I.

He was a member of St. Luke's Methodist Church, Long Branch.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Ida V. Shell; a daughter, Miss Jacqueline Shell, home; two brothers, Charles Schell, North Dartmouth, Mass., and A. Donald Shell, Boone, N.C.; three sisters, Mrs. Dora Mast, Sugar Grove, N.C.; Mrs. Beulah Hagerman, Boone, N.C., and Mrs. Clara Grogan, Lynchburg, Va.; a granddaughter, and a great-grandson.

The Robert A. Braun Home for Funerals, Eatontown, is in charge of arrangements.

Obituary of John Wesley Shell Jr. – "Asbury Park (NJ) Press" Monday 27 Jul 1970 p 11

John Wesley Shell

NEW SHREWSBURY — John Wesley Shell, 77, of 5206 Asbury Ave. died Saturday in Monmouth Medical Center, Long Branch.

Mr. Shell was born in Bethel, N.C., son of the late John W. and Emma Shell. He had been a resident here since 1940 and previously lived in Franklin Square, N. Y.

He was a veteran of World War I serving with the Army Air Force and was a member of St. Luke's Methodist Church of Long Branch.

He retired in 1961 from the Earle Naval Ammunition Depot, where he was materiel control director. He had worked there 30 years.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Ida V. Shell; a daughter,

Jacqueline Shell, at home; two brothers, Charles Schell of North Dartmouth, Mass., and A. Donald Shell of Boone, N. C.; three sisters, Mrs. Dora Mast of Sugar Grove, N. C., Mrs. Beulah Hagerman of Boone, N. C., and Mrs. Clara Grogan of Lynchburg, Va.; a granddaughter, Mrs. Kimberly Shaar of Bradley Beach, and great-grandson, Robert S. Spicer, at home.

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North Carolina, U.S., Birth Indexes, 1800-2000 for John Wesley Shell Jr

Not Stated > Not Stated > NCVR_B_C102_66003

Year	Month	Day	Birth Date	Birth Name	Sex	Gender	Birth Name	Birth Place	Birth Status	Age	Birth Number
✓	9	14	1892	Do	John Wesley, Jr.	M	W	Shell, John Wesley, Sr. Combs, Emma Ann	Beaver Dam	Delayed	6 236
✓	11	16	1898	Do	Ora Clara	F	W	Shell, John W. Combs, Emma	Beaver Dam	Delayed	5 302
✓	6	6	1897	Do	Nannie Fay	F	W	Shell, Peter Preston Harmon, Mary	Beaver Dam	Delayed	5 303
✓	2	28	1897	Do	William Carl	M	W	Shell, John Wesley Combs, Emma Ann	Beaver Dam	Delayed	11 476
✓	5	4	1907	Do	Albert Donald	M	W	Shell, John W. Combs, Emma	Beaver Dam	Delayed	11 477
✓	6	28	1889	Do	Lunda Lorena	F	W	Shell, John Wesley Combs, Emma Ann	Cove Creek	Delayed	11 478
✓	5	5	1902	Do	Dora	F	W	Shell, John Wesley Combs, Emma	Beaver Dam	Delayed	11 479
✓	3	20	1907	Do	Esther Elizabeth	F	W	Shell, David Marshall Hendrix, Virginia Alice		Delayed	13 311
✓	5	4	1908	Do	Nina Beatty	F	W	Shell, David Marshall Hendrix, Virginia Alice	Beane	Delayed	17 215
✓	9	1	1911	Do	Earl Weldon	M	W	Shell, John Wesley Combs, Emma		Delayed	17 216

NC birth record of John Wesley Shell Jr. on 14 Sep 1892 – Ora Clara Shell on 16 Nov 1898 – William Carl Shell on 28 Feb 1897 – Albert Donald Shell on 4 May 1907 – Lunda Lorena Shell on 28 Jun 1889 – Dora Shell on 5 May 1902 – Earl Weldon Shell on 1 Sep 1911 -

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/5594155:8783>

Shell	Wesley	249,830	White ² / ₂
(Surname)	(Christian name)	(Army serial number)	(Race: White or colored)
Residence: RFD1 Box 32	Sugar Grove	Watauga	NORTH CAROLINA
(Street and house number)	(Town or city)	(County)	(State)
* Enlisted in	RA Ft Dade Fla	Oct 9/15	
† Born in	Sugar Grove NC	24 11/12 Yrs	
Organizations:	15 Aer Sq to SC to Jan 15/18	100 Aer sq to Aug 22/18	
	1107 Aer Sq to Nov 17/18	254 Aer Sq to Dec 18/18	
	641 Aer Sq to Jan 9/19	628 Aer Sq to Aug 26/19	
	88 Aer Sq to Dec 22/19	Fur to Res to Disch	
Grades:	Pvt 1 cl Mch Corp	Oct 1/17	Sgt Mch 12/19
Engagements:			
Wounds or other injuries received in action:	None.		
† Served overseas:	Jan 24/18 to Dec 4/18		
§ Hon. disch.	June 4/20 Abolishment RA Res		
Was reported	0	per cent disabled on date of discharge, in view of occupation.	
Remarks:			

NC, WWI service record - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/67056:61958>

Wesley or John Wesley Shell

Military • United States, Veterans Administration Master Index, 1917-1940

Name **Wesley or John Wesley Shell**

Residence Place **Hempstead L I, N Y**

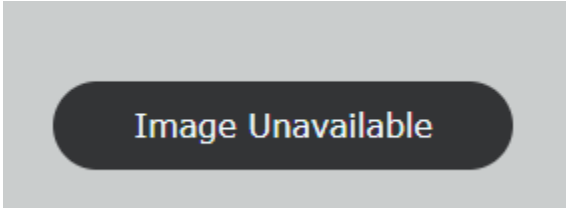
Death Date **25 Jul 1970**

Birth Date **14 Sep 1891**

Event Type **Military Service**

Event Date **4 Jun 1920**

Event Place **St. Louis, Missouri, United States**

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<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:W75B-32PZ>

Seven Tar Heels Aboard Tuscania

WASHINGTON. — The following North Carolinians are shown on the list of commissioned officers on board the ill-fated transport Tuscania:

Second Lieutenant James Osburn Bigger; wife, Mrs. J. C. Bigger, 37 St. Front street, New Bern, N. C. Lieutenant Bigger was not attached to a regular unit.

First Lieutenant Milton Pittman; wife, Lillian C. Pittman, 210 N. Ninth street, Wilmington, N. C., Co. D, sixth Battalion, twentieth Engineers, U. S. A.

First Lieutenant William C. Buhmann; wife, Mrs. Nannie B. Buhmann, Greensboro, N. C., Co. F, Sixth Battalion, Twentieth Engineers, U. S. A.

There were only four North Carolinians in the private ranks of the ill-fated ship. They were:

Lacy E. Evans, brother of Perry Evans, of Route 21, Stem, Granville county. He was before enlisting engaged in marketing cross-ties to the Southern Railway.

James W. Logan, son of John F. Logan of Route -, Uree, N. C.

Corporal Loomis M. Hales, a brother of Mrs. Blanche Tuhney, of Clayton.

Corporal Wesley Shell, son of John W. Shell, Route 1, Sugar Grove.

Their fate will not be known until the list of survivors is completed and checked up, when a list of those lost will be given out by the War Department.

Corporal Wesley Shell, 28 years old, of the 100th Aero Squadron, was announced last night as among the survivors. He is well known in Brooklyn, where he has many friends, although his home is in Sugar Grove, North Carolina. Corporal Shell had seen service for three years in the Regular Army. When war was declared he at once enlisted, being sent to the Fifteenth Aero Squadron, where he served until a few days before the Tuscania sailed, when he was transferred to the 100th Aero Squadron. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Shell, live in New Bedford, Mass.

"Brooklyn Daily Eagle" Sunday 10 Feb 1918 p 1

**ADDITIONAL N. C. BOYS
SAVED FROM TUSCANIA**

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**Among Number Is Wesley Sheel
Whose Sweetheart Was
Anxious About Him.**

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BY H. E. C. BRYANT.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 9.—Among the North Carolinians reported safe and well from the Tuscania disaster is Wesley Shell, of Sugar Grove, Watauga county. A girl said to be his fiancée asked, through The Brooklyn Eagle today, if he had been saved.

Others reported saved are: Lommis M. Hayles, Clayton; James W. Logan, Uree, Rutherford county, and James Coburn Bigger, New Bern.

A fiancée – "Charlotte (NC) Observer" Sunday 10 Feb 1918 p 3

—Mr. Wesley Shell, son of Mr. John Shell, of Beaver Dams, was a survivor off the ill-fated transport, Tuscania, that was sunk off the Irish coast on Wednesday of last week.

“Watauga Democrat” (Boone NC) Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 3

**WATAUGA BOY WAS AMONG
THE TUSCANIA SURVIVORS**

Wesley Shell, the son of Mr. John H. Shell of Sugar Grove, Route 1, Watauga county, was numbered among the survivors of the torpedoed transport Tuscania. The knowledge of Mr. Shell's rescue will be good news to the people of this entire section.

“Lenoir (NC) Topic” Friday 15 Feb 1918 p 1

Wife

John W. Shell, 26.....	Garden City, L I
Ida Valches, 24.....	1235 Bedford ave

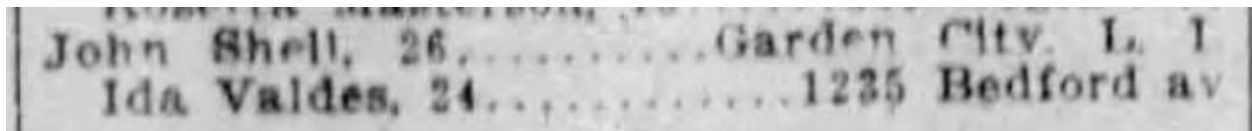
“Brooklyn Times Union” Monday 7 Apr 1919 p 5

John W Shell

in the New York, New York, U.S., Extracted Marriage Index, 1866-1937

Name:	John W Shell
Gender:	Male
Marriage Date:	5 Apr 1919
Marriage Place:	Manhattan, New York, USA
Spouse:	Ida E Valdes
Certificate Number:	12127

<https://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/sse.dll?indiv=1&dbid=9105&h=2323305&ssrc=pt&tid=64386949&pid=372092377036&usePUB=true>



Marriage license - "Brooklyn (NY) Daily Eagle" Monday 7 Apr 1919 p 3

Ida V Shell	
in the New Jersey, U.S., Death Index, 1848-1878, 1901-2017	
Name:	Ida V Shell
Age:	89
Birth Date:	abt 1892
Death Date:	11 Aug 1981
Death Place:	Loch Arbour, Monmouth, New Jersey, USA

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/3245370:61260>

Ida Shell

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

Name:	Ida Shell
Social Security Number:	077-05-8196
Birth Date:	17 Apr 1892
Issue Year:	Before 1951
Issue State:	New York
Last Residence:	07753, Neptune, Monmouth, New Jersey, USA
Last Benefit:	07740, Long Branch, Monmouth, New Jersey, USA
Death Date:	Aug 1981

Daughter:

Jacqueline G. Shell, served borough

EATONTOWN — Jacqueline G. Shell, 61, a former Tinton Falls Democratic Committeewoman, died Monday at home.

Mrs. Shell was display director for Steinbach Co., Red Bank, for 10 years, retiring several years ago.

She was a New Jersey delegate to the 1960 Democratic National Convention.

Mrs. Shell was one of the founders of the Unitarian Fellowship Church of Red Bank.

Born in Long Island, N.Y., she lived in Tinton Falls before moving to Eatontown a year ago.

Surviving are a daughter, Kimberly Phillips, Hollywood, Fla., and one grandson.

The Robert A. Braun Home for Funerals, here, is in charge of arrangements.

Jacqueline G. Shell

EATONTOWN — Jacqueline G. Shell, 61, died Sept. 29 at home.

Born in Long Island, N.Y., Mrs. Shell resided in Tinton Falls before moving to Eatontown a year ago.

She had been a display director for Steinbach's in Red Bank for ten years before her retirement.

She was a former Democratic committeewoman from Tinton Falls. She was a 1960 delegate for the Democratic convention.

She was a charter member of the Unitarian Fellowship Church in Red Bank.

Surviving are a daughter, Kimberly Phillips of Hollywood, Fla.; and one grandson.

The Robert A. Braun Home for Funerals, Eatontown, is in charge of arrangements.

Left: "Asbury Park (NJ) Press" Sunday 5 Oct 1986 p 17 – right: "Red Bank (NJ) Daily Record" Sunday 5 Oct 1986 p 8

Jacqueline Shell Is Bride-To-Be

MONMOUTH BEACH, Nov. 28— Mr. and Mrs. John W. Shell, 11 Drew Court have announced the engagement of their daughter Miss Jacqueline Shell to George Malloy, son of Mrs. A. Malloy, Edwards Avenue, Long Branch.

Miss Shell attended Long Branch High School and Sewahaka High School, N. Y. She is employed at the Signal Corps Laboratory, Fort Monmouth. Mr. Malloy attended Long Branch High School and is now stationed at Newport, R. I., in the U. S. Navy.

No date has been set for the wedding.



GEORGE MALLOY
Seaman Second Class

Seaman Second Class George Malloy, grandson of Mrs. Ida B. Attison of 69 Atlantic Avenue, North Long Branch, is now serving in the United States Navy amphibian corps, the commandos of the navy.

Seaman Malloy attended the local grammar schools and Long Branch High School, where he was a member of the football and basketball teams. He is a member of the Phi Chi Pi fraternity.

He entered the service Oct. 22, 1942 and underwent basic training at Newport, R. I. He attended the amphibian training school at Little Creek, Va., and Solomons Branch, Md., where he received his second class seaman's stripe.

Seaman Malloy's engagement to Miss Jacqueline Shell of Monmouth Beach was announced recently. Their marriage will take place sometime in April.

He is now on active duty in the Atlantic Ocean.

Engagement to George Malloy – left: “Red Bank (NJ) Daily Record” Saturday 28 Nov 1942 p 2 and right: “Red Bank (NJ) Daily Record” Friday 26 Feb 1943 p 10

Miss J. Shell Engaged To Cpl. Adriance

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Shell, 138 Atlantic av. have announced the engagement of their daughter Jacqueline to Cpl. Howard Adriance U.S.M.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Adriance, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Miss Shell attended schools in Long Branch and was graduated from Sewanhaka high school Floral Park, N. Y., the U. S. T. Drafting school, Fort Monmouth, and is now attending the Red Bank Business College. She is a member of the Delta Epsilon Beta sorority.

Cpl. Adriance attended schools in Poughkeepsie and graduated from Poughkeepsie high school and Krissler Commercial school. Prior to his enlistment in the Marine corps, he was employed by the DeLaval Separator Company, Poughkeepsie. He is now serving with the First Marine Division in the Pacific, which just captured Palau Island where Cpl. Adriance was wounded in action.

The couple will be married on Cpl. Adriance's return.

"Red Bank (NJ) Daily Record" Friday 27 Oct 1944 p 10

*Jacqueline Shell
Engaged To Wed
Sgt. John Phillips*



MISS JACQUELINE SHELL

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Shell, 138 Atlantic av. have announced the engagement of their daughter Miss Jacqueline Shell, to Sgt. John T. Phillips USA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Phillips, 219 Jane st.

Miss Shell attended local schools in New York; U. S. T. Drafting School, Fort Monmouth; and Red Bank Business Institute. She is a member of Delta Epsilon Beta Sorority and is employed at the A. A. F. Watson Laboratories, Red Bank.

Sgt. Phillips was graduated from Long Branch senior high school class of 1940. Before entering the service, he was employed by the I. R. Green Plumbing Contractors, Fort Monmouth.

Sgt. Phillips has been in the service three years and is now serving with Patton's 3rd Army. The couple will be married upon his return.

*Jacqueline Shell
Is Honored Guest
At Bridal Shower*

Miss Jacqueline G. Shell was guest of honor during a miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. Robert de Fabry at the home of Mrs. William E. Knight, Elmwood av.

Miss Shell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Shell, Atlantic av., and will become the bride of John Thomas Phillips of this city, Sunday, Feb. 3.

Guests attending were Mrs. John W. Shell, Mrs. Robert Phillips of this city; Mrs. Richard Clapp of Little Silver; Mrs. Vernon Kohn, Miss Geraldine Reafield of Eatontown; Mrs. Paul Erving, Mrs. Leland Currier sr., Mrs. Kenneth Wardell, Mrs. William Knight and Mrs. Robert de Fabry.

Miss J. Shell Becomes Bride Of J. Phillips

The wedding of Miss Jacqueline Gloria Shell to John Thomas Phillips was solemnized in the Rectory of the Star of the Sea Church by Rev. Leo M. Cox on Sunday at 4 P.M.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Shell, Atlantic av. and the bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Phillips, 219 Jane st.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a street length, draped, Robin Egg Blue Lane ensemble with charcoal black accessories. Complementing her costume was a nosegay of gardenias, white sweetpeas and Stepanotis caught with white satin streamers and lilies-of-the-valley.

Mrs. Robert L. de Fabry, 210 Garfield ct., as matron of honor chose a street length amber crepe dress trimmed with lace of the same shade. Her accessories were chocolate brown and she carried a nosegay of Talisman roses and babies breath.

Medy Antonucci, of Newburg, N. Y. was best man.

A reception for the immediate families and close friends followed the service, after which the couple left on a wedding trip to New York and Connecticut. They will be at home after Feb. 11 at 138 Atlantic av. The bride attended local schools and Red Bank Business Institute. She was graduated from Sewanhaka high school, L. I.

The bridegroom a graduate of Long Branch senior high school was recently honorably discharged from the Army where he held the rank of Staff Sergeant.

"Long Beach (NJ) Daily Record" Thursday 9 Feb 1946 p 11

Parents:



John Wesley Shell Sr. & Emma Ann Combs Shell - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/64386949/person/372090750383/media/e2a7003d-49b9-45e7-bf12-0f4e71c44865>

Siblings:

APR 6 1965 NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
OFFICE OF VITAL STATISTICS

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

10652

REGISTRATION DISTRICT NO. 95-60 REGISTRAR'S CERTIFICATE NO. 16

1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY Watauga		b. TOWNSHIP Boone	c. LENGTH OF STAY (In hrs.) 24 yrs.	2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: residence before admission) a. STATE N. C.		b. COUNTY Watauga
4. CITY OR TOWN Boone		In Place of Death Within City Limits ☒ ☐ ☐		c. CITY OR TOWN Sugar Grove		In Place of Residence In City Limits ☐ On a Farm ☒
3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or Print) Lunda Shell Lawrence				4. DATE OF DEATH March 26, 1965		
5. SEX Female	6. COLOR OR RACE Caucasian	7. MARRIED ☐ NEVER MARRIED ☐ WIDOWED ☒ DIVORCED ☐	8. DATE OF BIRTH 6-28-1889	9. AGE (In years last birthday) 75		
10. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) Housewife		11. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY Home		12. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Watauga Co., N. C.		13. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY U. S. A.
14. FATHER'S NAME John Wesley Shull		15. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Emma Combs		16. NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE Samuel Grant Lawrence		
17. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U. S. ARMED FORCES (Yes, no, or unknown) (If yes, give year or dates of service) No		18. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 237-54-3940		19. INFORMANT'S NAME AND ADDRESS Howard Lawrence, Sugar Grove, N. C.		

10. CAUSE OF DEATH—ENTER ONLY ONE CAUSE PER LINE FOR (a), (b) and (c).

PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:

IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) **Coronary Thrombosis**

ANTECEDENT CAUSES—Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last.

DUE TO (b) _____

DUE TO (c) _____

PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS (Conditions leading to death but not related to terminal disease condition given in Part I (a))

18. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? ☐ ☒

20. ACCIDENT SUICIDE HOMICIDE ☐ ☐ ☐

21. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of item 10)

22. TIME OF INJURY **11:30 P.M.**

23. INJURY OCCURRED ☐ WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☒

24. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)

25. CITY OR TOWNSHIP **SUGAR GROVE** COUNTY **WATAUGA** STATE **N. C.**

26. I attended the deceased from **1960** to **March 26, 1965**, and last saw him on **March 26, 1965**.

Death occurred at **3:00 P.M.** on the date stated above; and to the best of my knowledge from the causes stated.

THIS COPY FOR STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

Fun. Director's Signature **Barney S. Hampton** License # **1929**

Registrar's Signature **Barney S. Hampton** License # **1075**

Form 54 Issued

Date Burial Permit Issued 3-27-65		2a. SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i> M. D.		2b. ADDRESS Boone, N. C.	2c. DATE SIGNED 3-27-65
2d. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Burial	2e. DATE 3-28-65	2f. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Bethel Cemetery	2g. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State) Sugar Grove, Watonga, N. C.		
2h. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REG. 3-27-65	2i. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i>	2j. FUNERAL HOME ADDRESS Reins-Sturdivant of Boone, Inc., Boone, N. C.			

NC death record of **sister Lunda Lorena Shell Lawrence (1889-1965)** -

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/1121/images/S123_535-0694?pld=1502363

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA - CERTIFICATE OF DEATH									
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS									
COPY A FOR BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS		REGISTRATION AREA NUMBER		CERTIFICATE NUMBER 993		STATE FILE NUMBER 11733			
DECEDENT		1. FULL NAME OF DECEASED WILLIAM CARL SHELL				2. SEX Male ☒ Female ☐			
		3. DATE OF DEATH May 10, 1961		4. AGE OF DECEASED 64		5. UNDER 1 YEAR Months _____ Days _____		6. COLOR OF RACE White	
PLACE OF DEATH		7. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION OF DEATH DePaul Hospital				8. COUNTY OF DEATH Norfolk			
		9. CITY OR TOWN OF DEATH Norfolk				10. STREET ADDRESS OR R.F. NO. OF PLACE OF DEATH Kingsley Lane			
USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED		11. STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY OF DECEASED'S RESIDENCE Virginia				12. COUNTY OF DECEASED'S RESIDENCE Norfolk			
		13. CITY OR TOWN OF RESIDENCE Norfolk				14. STREET ADDRESS OR R.F. NO. OF RESIDENCE 8262 Simons Drive			
PERSONAL DATA OF DECEASED		15. NAME OF FATHER OF DECEASED John W. Shell		16. MARRIED ☒ NEVER MARRIED ☐ WIDOWED ☐ DIVORCED ☐		17. MARRIED ☒ NEVER MARRIED ☐ WIDOWED ☐ DIVORCED ☐		18. IF MARRIED OR WIDOWED, NAME OF SPOUSE Virginia Wiser Shell	
		19. COUNTRY OF BIRTH COUNTRY OF DECEASED USA		20. IF VETERAN, name war, or if preceding war, so state World War I		21. BIRTHPLACE (State or country) OF DECEASED North Carolina		22. DATE OF BIRTH (and local birth of DECEASED) February 28, 1897	
		23. USUAL OR LAST OCCUPATION Machinist		24. END OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY		25. INFORMATION - OR SOURCE OF INFORMATION Mrs. Virginia W. Shell			
TO PHYSICIAN:		26. CAUSE OF DEATH (State only one cause per line for (A), (B), and (C). PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: IMMEDIATE CAUSE (A) Dissecting Aneurysm of Aorta DUE TO B. Atherosclerosis of Aorta X451 C. Associated related hypertensive cardiovascular renais. 4 yrs. Myxedema therapeutically induced						INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH 2 hours	
		PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE IMMEDIATE CAUSE (CONTRIBUTION CHECK IN PART I (A))							
MEDICAL CERTIFICATION		27. IF FEMALE WAS THERE A PREGNANCY IN PART 3 (MONTHS) Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown ☐		28. IF FETAL CASE IF SPAL PRELIMINARY ☐ OF CONSUMPTION ☐		29. RECORD HOW INJURY OCCURRED (Specify nature of injury in part I or part II) FALL		30. AUTHORITY BY ☒ ☐	
		31. TIME OF DEATH (hr) (day) (year) A.M. P.M.		32. INJURY OCCURRED a. b. c. d. e. f. g. h. i. j. k. l. m. n. o. p. q. r. s. t. u. v. w. x. y. z.		33. PLACE OF INJURY (House, farm, factory, street, office, shop, etc.) Home		34. CITY OR TOWN Norfolk	
NOTE: If "Falling" was the cause of death, specify in part I and verify in part II of this section as well as possible.		35. I CERTIFY that I obtained the deceased from _____ May 10, 1961 and that death occurred at 1:25 A.M. (and PM) from the cause stated above (Initials - city and state) (State signed)							
ACTUAL SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i> George F. Elsassner, Jr., M.D.									
FUNERAL DIRECTOR		27. BURIAL ☒ CREMATION ☐ REMOVAL ☐		28. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, ETC. (Name of cemetery or crematorium) Boone, North Carolina		29. NAME OF FUNERAL HOME AND ADDRESS Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home Boone, North Carolina			
REGISTRAR		30. SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i>		31. DATE RECORD FILED 5-14-61					

VA death record of brother William Carl Shell (1896-1961) -

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/9278/images/43006_162028006055_0196-00236?pld=751440361



Sister Orla Clara Shell Grogan Mast (1898-1989) - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/64386949/person/372092377029/media/b4628d36-9f46-47ec-a9e4-336a77fd5116>

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TO OFFICIANT
(Complete and sign
certificates on both
copies.)

Return both copies
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Clerk of Court
issuing license.

Section 22-552.34,
Code of Virginia.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH—BUREAU OF VITAL RECORDS AND HEALTH STATISTICS
MARRIAGE RETURN

STATE
FILE
NO. **73-046390**

CITY OR
COUNTY OF **Campbell County**

NAME OF
COURT **Circuit**

CLERK'S
NUMBER **330**

GROOM

1. FULL NAME OF GROOM (first, middle, last) **Arllis M. Mast**

2. AGE **72** Years

3. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, year) **April 7 1901**

4. PLACE OF BIRTH (state or foreign country) **N. C.**

5. RACE (white, negro, etc.) **White**

6. SINGLE, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (specify) **Widowed**

7. NUMBER OF THIS MARRIAGE (first, second, etc.) **Second**

8. EDUCATION—SPECIFY HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED elementary 8 high school 1, 2, 3 or 4 college 1 to 4 or 5+

9a. USUAL RESIDENCE—STREET ADDRESS OR RT. NUMBER

9b. CITY OR TOWN OF RESIDENCE **Sugar Grove**

9c. COUNTY (if independent city, leave blank) **Watauga**

9d. STATE (OR FOREIGN COUNTRY) **North Carolina**

10. NAME OF FATHER **William H. Mast**

11. FULL MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER **Nancy Thompson**

BRIDE

12. PRESENT NAME OF BRIDE (first, middle, last) **Clara S. Grogan**

13. AGE **74** Years

14. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, year) **Nov. 16 1898**

15. PLACE OF BIRTH (state or foreign country) **N. C.**

16. RACE (white, negro, etc.) **White**

17. SINGLE, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (specify) **Widowed**

18. NUMBER OF THIS MARRIAGE (first, second, etc.) **Second**

19. EDUCATION—SPECIFY HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED elementary 0, 1, 2 or 8 high school 1, 2, 3 or 4 college 1 to 4 or 5+

20a. USUAL RESIDENCE—STREET ADDRESS OR RT. NUMBER **Timberlake Drive Box 276**

20b. CITY OR TOWN OF RESIDENCE **Lynchburg**

20c. COUNTY (if independent city, leave blank) **Campbell**

20d. STATE (OR FOREIGN COUNTRY) **Virginia**

21. NAME OF FATHER **John Wesley Shell**

22. FULL MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER **Emma Combs**

MARRIAGE LICENSE

23. TO ANY PERSON LICENSED TO PERFORM MARRIAGES.

You are hereby authorized to join the above-named persons in marriage under procedures outlined in the statutes of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

SIGNATURE **Henry E. Bennett** DATE SIGNED **October 1, 1973**

CLERK OF COURT OR DEPUTY

LICENSE EXPIRES SIXTY DAYS AFTER ABOVE DATE

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

24. DATE OF MARRIAGE (month, day, year) **10 - 3 - 73**

25. PLACE OF MARRIAGE (county or independent city) **Campbell** VIRGINIA

26. TYPE OF CEREMONY (civil or religious—specify) **Religious**

IF RELIGIOUS CEREMONY, NAME OF DENOMINATION OR ORDER **Baptist**

27. I CERTIFY THAT I JOINED THE ABOVE-NAMED PERSONS IN MARRIAGE ON THE DATE AND AT THE PLACE SPECIFIED.

SIGNATURE OF OFFICIANT **Rev. Alan Mason** 03

BONDED IN **Campbell** YEAR OF BOND **1971** TITLE OF OFFICIANT **Minister**

ADDRESS OF OFFICIANT **21 Brooklawn Dr., Lynchburg, Va. 24502**

marriage of Ora Clara Mast Grogan to 2nd husband, Arlis McQuin Mast -
https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/9279/images/43068_162028006056_0693-00391?pld=28700936

NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
OFFICE OF VITAL STATISTICS

NOV 9 1961
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

REGISTRATION DISTRICT NO. 95-60 REGISTRAR'S CERTIFICATE NO. 47 30590

95-1-I
Type or write lightly. Use black ink.
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All items must be complete and accurate.

THIS COPY FOR STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

The undertaker, or person acting as such, is responsible for filing the completed certificate with registrar of the district where death occurred.

The physician last in attendance is required to state the cause of death and sign the medical certification.

If there was no doctor in attendance, medical certification to be completed by local Health Officer, or Coroner, if request was held.

NOTE: Medical certification to be completed by local Health Officer, or Coroner, if request was held.

FORM 8
Rev. 1-56

1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY Watauga		b. TOWNSHIP Boone	c. LENGTH OF STAY (a) (b) Life	2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: residence before admission)	
d. CITY OR TOWN Boone		Is Place of Death Within City Limits? YES ☒ NO ☐		e. STATE N.C.	f. COUNTY Watauga
e. FULL NAME OF (If not in hospital or institution, give street address or location) Watauga Hospital Inc.		d. STREET ADDRESS or R. F. D. NO. Georges Gap Rd.		Is Place of Residence In City Limits? YES ☐ NO ☒ On a Farm? YES ☒ NO ☐	
3. NAME OF DECEASED First Earl Middle Weldon Last Schell			4. DATE OF DEATH Month 10 Day 12 Year 1961		
5. SEX Male	6. COLOR OR RACE Caucasian	7. MARRIED ☐ NEVER MARRIED ☐ WIDOWED ☐ DIVORCED ☒	8. DATE OF BIRTH 9-1-1911	9. AGE (In years last birthday) 50	10. IF UNDER 1 YEAR Months 10 Days 12 Hours 12 Min.
10a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) Cabinet Maker		10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY Woodworking Shop		11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Watauga County, N.C.	
12. FATHER'S NAME John W. Schell		14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Emma Combs		15. NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE Marion Potter	
13. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U. S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) (If yes, give war or status of service) No		16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 272-14-3678		17. INFORMANT'S NAME AND ADDRESS Mrs. Dora Mast, Sugar Grove, N.C.	
18. CAUSE OF DEATH - ENTER ONLY ONE CAUSE PER LINE FOR (a), (b) and (c).					INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH 3 days
PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) Acute Myocardial Infarction					
ANTECEDENT CAUSES - Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last.					
DUE TO (b) Coronary Thrombosis					
DUE TO (c) Atherosclerotic Heart Disease					
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO 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)			
21. TIME MONTH, DAY, YEAR HOUR OF INJURY 10-9 10:00p	22. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐	23. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)	24. CITY OR TOWNSHIP	COUNTY	STATE
21. I attended the deceased from 10-9 1961 , to 10-12 1961 , and last saw him alive on 10-12 1961 .					
Death occurred at 10:00p on the date stated above; and to the best of my knowledge from the causes stated.					
22a. SIGNATURE J.B. Hagaman, Jr. (Name or title)		22b. ADDRESS Boone, N.C.		22c. DATE SIGNED 10-13-61	
INJURY M. ☐ WORK ☐ AT WORK ☐					
21. I attended the deceased from 10-9 1961 , to 10-12 1961 , and last saw him alive on 10-12 1961 .					
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23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Burial	23b. DATE 10-14-61	23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Bethel Church Cemetery	23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State) Watauga County, N.C.		
24. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REG. 10-13-61		25. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE WATAUGA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT		26. FUNERAL DIRECTOR ADDRESS Reins-Sturdivant, Boone, N.C.	

NC death record of brother **Earl Weldon Schell (1911-1961)** – note his informant (sister Dora) says that Marion Potter is Earl's wife -

https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/1121/images/S123_488-2180?pld=751062507

State of North Carolina
Cameron County

Office of Register of Deeds

April 3, 1938

To any Ordained Minister of any Religious Denomination, or any Justice of the Peace of said County:

I, Carl H. Shell having applied to me for a LICENSE for the marriage
of Carl H. Shell of Norfolk, Va. aged 21 years
color White the son of J. H. Shell and Euna Shell
the father now living the mother living resident of Sugar Grove, N.C.
and Marion R. Potter of Norfolk, Va. aged 21 years
color White daughter of R. D. Potter and Lillian Potter
the father living the mother living resident of Norfolk, Va.

*And the written consent of _____, the _____
of the said _____, to the proposed marriage having been filed with me:

And there being no legal impediment to such marriage known to me, you are hereby authorized, at any time within sixty days from the date hereof, to celebrate the proposed marriage at any place within the said county.

You are required, within sixty days after you shall have celebrated such marriage, to return this license to me, at my office, with your signature subscribed to the Certificate under this License, and with the blanks therein filled according to the facts, under penalty of forfeiting two hundred dollars to the use of any person who shall sue for the same.

No. _____

H. G. Berry
Register of Deeds.

1. Name of person applying for license.
2. Name of man to be married, in full.
3. Residence.
4. Age.
5. White or colored.
6. Father of man to be married.
7. Mother of man to be married.

8. Living or dead.
9. Living or dead.
10. Residence, if known; if not, state unknown.
11. Name of woman to be married, in full.
12. Residence.
13. Age.
14. White or colored.

15. Father's name.
16. Mother's name.
17. Living or dead.
18. Living or dead.
19. Residence, if known; if not, state unknown.
20. If both parties are over 18 years of age, strike out.

Both parties being duly sworn, says: That the parties applying for License are of lawful age (i. e., each is over 18 years of age), and, so far as he is informed and believes, there is no lawful cause or impediment forbidding said marriage. I further swear that the answers appended to the questions asked me are correct and true.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on day and date _____ above written.

Carl H. Shell Affiant.
Marion R. Potter Affiant.
G. F. Spencer Register of Deeds

State of North Carolina
Cameron County

I, G. F. Spencer J. P.
united in matrimony Carl H. Shell and Marion R. Potter
the parties licensed above, on the 3 day of April, 1938, at South Mills, N.C.
in South Mills Township,
in said County, according to law.

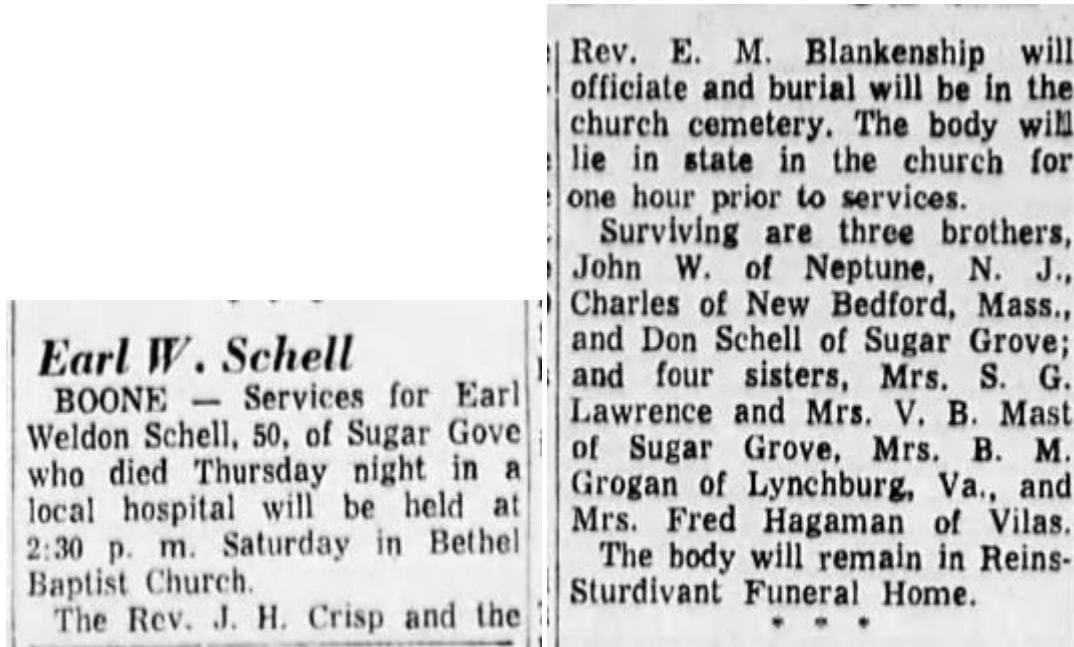
*WITNESSES PRESENT AT MARRIAGE:

G. W. Carter of 25 Duncas Box
W. H. Shell of Norfolk, Va.
G. F. Spencer Officiating Officer.

1. Name of person officiating.
2. If Minister, of what denomination?
3. If Justice of the Peace, on state.
4. Name of woman married.
5. Place of Marriage.
6. Township.
7. Name of man married.

*At least three persons present at marriage must sign as witnesses.

NC marriage record of Earl Weldon Shell to Marion R. Potter on 3 Apr 1933 -
https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/60548/images/42091_327835-00268?pld=2534514



Obituary of Earl Weldon Shell – “Asheville (NC) Citizen-Times” Saturday 14 Oct 1961 p 11



Sugar Grove, Watauga Co. NC, founded by John Mast in 1837 -
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sugar_Grove,_North_Carolina

Name: John Wesley Shell, Jr.

Name variations: Wesley Shell

Military:

On Tuscania: 100th Aero Squadron, 1st Squad - corporal

Serial number: 249,830

Entered service from: Sugar Grove, Watauga NC

Sailed on “Tuscania” as: Wesley Shell

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father John W. Shell, RFD 1, Box 32, Sugar Grove NC

Returned from war on: "Minnekahda" 1918

Sailed on return ship as: Wesley Shell

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father John W. Shell, RFD L, Box 32, Sugargrove NC (cpl, 254th Aero Service Squadron)

World War I draft registration (1917):

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): has 2 listings, one as John Shell at 23rd Lewiston St., Franklin Square, Long Island NY & (as Wesley Shell) Sugar Grove NC

World War II draft registration (1942): as John Wesley Shell - b. 14 Sep 1892 Sugar Grove NC; res: 2 Drew Ct., Monmouth Beach, Monmouth NJ. NOK Aida Shell, same address. Area engineer, Fort Monmouth, Oceanport, Monmouth NJ. Height: 5'9" – 152 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index: not viewable on FamilySearch.org.so some data is not available

Enlisted:

Discharged: 4 Jun 1920

Address: Hempstead, Long Island NY

Rank/unit:

Birth & death:

Born: 14 Sep 1892 Sugar Grove, Watauga Co. NC

Died: 25 Jul 1970 Long Branch, Monmouth Co. NJ (in Monmouth Medical Center)

Find A Grave record: 11013673 – presence on Tuscania indicated in text & flower

Burial location: Oakhurst, Monmouth NJ

Cemetery: Wayside

Tombstone: veteran flat: New Jersey Sgt Air Service WWI

Father: John Wesley Shell, Sr., 11 Aug 1860 Watauga, Watauga NC – 17 Mar 1940 Sugar Grove, Watauga NC. Son of Franklin Dugger Shell & Nancy Caroline Shoop. Buried in Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Vilas, Watauga NC.

Find A Grave: 58938401

Mother: Emma Ann Combs Shell, 27 Mar 1871 Sherwood, Watauga NC – 27 Dec 1954 Sugar Grove, Watauga NC. Daughter of John Pinkney Combs & Mary Amanda McBride. Buried in Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Vilas, Watauga NC.

Find A Grave: 58938243

Parents' marriage: 1889 Watauga Co. NC

Spouse: Ida E. Valdes Shell, 17 Apr 1892 Brooklyn, Kings NY – 11 Aug 1981 Loch Arbour, Monmouth NJ. SSN 077-05-8196. Daughter of Eustace (likely Eustacio) Valdes & Magdalene, both b. Cuba. Her father was a cigar maker.

Ida E. Valdes married on 21 Jun 1915 in Manhattan NY. The record does not list the groom.

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage: 5 Apr 1919 Manhattan NY

Children:

- Jacqueline G. Shell Adriance Phillips, reverted to Shell, 16 Jan 1925 NY – 29 Sep 1986 Eatontown Borough, Monmouth NJ. Was engaged to George Malloy as of Nov 1942 with a wedding planned for Apr 1943 since he was in the US Navy, but the marriage does not appear to have occurred. – In Oct 1944, her engagement to Cpl. Howard Frank Adriance (1921-2018) of the US Marine Corps was announced. The wedding was planned for his return from military service. – Jacqueline Shell was to marry John Thomas Phillips, son of Robert Phillips, who was in the US Army under General Patton when their engagement was announced in May 1945. Jacqueline & John married on 3 Feb 1946. They had a daughter, Kimberly Phillips. – Served as a Democratic committeewoman from Tinto Falls & was a NJ delegate to the 1960 Democratic National Convention. One of the founders of the Unitarian Fellowship Church, Red Bank NJ.

Siblings: John Jr. was the 3rd child.

- Lunda Lorena Shell Lawrence, 28 Jun 1889 Watauga, Watauga NC – 26 Mar 1965 Boone, Watauga NC. Married 7 Aug 1909 in Watauga Co. NC to Samuel Grant Lawrence (1887-1963, F: 68039471). Buried in Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Vilas, Watauga NC. F: 74013121
- Addie Beulah Shell Hagaman, 10 Dec 1890 Watauga Co. NC – 7 Aug 1984 Boone, Watauga NC. Married 29 Aug 1909 in Watauga Co. NC to Fred Corneil Hagaman (1892-1966, F: 48937696). Buried in Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Vilas, Watauga NC. F: 58937744
- Charles Carter Shell, 16 Aug 1894 Sugar Grove, Watauga NC – 1 Dec 1982 Fall River, Bristol MA. Married 8 Oct 1914 in New Bedford, Bristol MA to Yvonne Marie Tetreault (1895-1978). They had 3 children between 1915 & 1920. – Married in 1928 in New Bedford, Bristol MA to Elizabeth Margaret Moore (1899-1976); they had 3 children. Resident of North Dartmouth MA in Jul 1970 when John Jr. died.
- William Carl Shell, 28 Feb 1896 [1897 on his NC birth record] Sugar Grove, Watauga NC – 10 May 1961 Norfolk, Norfolk City VA. WWI veteran. Married in 1919 to Pacilla (Vera) Foxwell (1900-2003, F: 146655202). They had 4 children. Vera She married John Aloysius Office (1894-1968, F: 146655290) in 1965. – On 2 Jun 1942 in Norfolk VA, William married Virginia Beatrice Wiser (1915-2001, F: 172466571). Buried in Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Vilas, Watauga NC. F: 74013575
- Ora Clara Shell Grogan Mast, 16 Nov 1898 Sugar Grove, Watauga NC – 7 Apr 1898 Watauga Co. NC – Married 28 Jun 1919 in Watauga Co. NC to Bynum McCoy Grogan (1895-1968, F: 70919400). Widowed, Ora married widower Arlis McQuin Mast (1901-1977, F: 73183231), the son of William Hardy Mast & Nancy Jane Thompson, on 3 Oct 1973 in Campbell Co. VA. Ora's sister Dora Mast had married Arlis's brother Benjamin Mast. Resident of Lynchburg VA in Jul 1970 when her brother John Jr. died. Buried in Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Vilas, Watauga NC. F: 74013094
- Dora Amanda Shell Mast, 5 May 1902 Watauga Co. NC – 20 Oct 1992 Boone, Watauga NC. Wife of Benjamin Vardry Mast (1897-1972, F: 34381467), the son of William Hardy Mast & Nancy Jane Thompson. Benjamin's brother Arlis Mast was the 2nd husband of Dora's sister Ora Clara Shell Grogan. Buried in Cove Creek Cemetery, Watauga Co. NC. F: 42363635
- Albert Donald ("Don") Shell, 4 May 1907 Watauga Co. NC – 3 Sep 1974 Boone, Watauga NC. Married 22 Oct 1955 in Watauga Co. NC to Ivalee Isaacs (1910-1990, F: 74013552). Buried in Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery, Vilas, Watauga NC. F: 74013544

- Earl Weldon Shell, 1 Sep 1911 Sugar Grove, Watauga NC – 12 Oct 1961 Boone, Watauga NC. – Married Marion R. Potter on 3 Apr 1933 in Camden NC. Her 1st name is also found as Marrion. She was the daughter of Ray W. Potter (a Church of God minister) & his wife Lillian. The Potter family lived in Pittsfield, Berkshire MA in the 1920 census. They divorced. But Earl's sister Dora, the informant on his 1961 NC death certificate, says Earl is married & his wife is Marion Potter. She is listed as Marion Potters on the NC death record of their son, Ronald Earl Shell, who died at age 6 on 2 Dec 1939. In the 1940 census for North Wilkesboro, Wilkes NC, Marion Shell (28 MA), divorced, is a lodger in the home of Dr. Earl Cooper. She is an assistant secretary for the National Farm Labor Pr. In 1935 she lived in Boone, Watauga Co. NC. – In the 1940 census, Earl Shell (28 NC) is living with wife Anne (22 KY) in Cincinnati, Hamilton OH. However, Earl marries Anne Bertha Naegeli, the daughter of Henry Naegeli & Mary Morse, on 21 Jul 1941 in Norfolk VA. – Ancestry.com links a divorce on 4 Feb 1976 in Caldwell Co. NC to Earl – but he was dead.

Notes:

Family tree at: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/64386949/person/372090750383/facts>

Pre-war:

Wartime:

John Wesley Shell listed in NC newspapers (such as "Greensboro Patriot") as son of John W. Shell, Rte. 1, Sugar Grove NC

Post-war:

Obituary:

"Red Bank [NJ] Daily Record" 27 Jul 1970 p4 - age 77, resident of 5206 Asbury Ave., New Shrewsbury NJ. Born Bethel NC, the son of John W. & Emma Shell. Resident of New Shrewsbury since 1940, previously lived Franklin Square NJ, WWI Army Air Force veteran. Retired 1961 from Earle Naval Ammunition Depot (as materiel control director), an employee of 30 years. Survived by wife Ida V., daughter, 2 brothers, 3 sisters

Social Security number: 169-20-1132

Censuses:

1900 Beaver Dam, Watauga NC

John W. Shell, 34 NC, Aug 1860, father b. TN, mother b. NC, married 12 years, farming & cabinet work

Emma C., 30 NC, Mar 1890, parents b. NC, gave birth to 6 children, 6 are living

Lundy L., 10 NC, Jun 1889

Addie B., 9 NC, Dec 1890

John Wesley, & NC, Sep 1892

Charles C., 5 NC, Aug 1894

William C., 3 NC, Feb 1897

Orra C., 2 NC, Nov 1898

& mother Nancy C. Shell, 64 NC, Jan 1836, parents b. NC, widow, gave birth to 5 children, 4 are living

1900 Brooklyn, Kings NY – Fulton St. – his future wife Ida Valdes

Eaustace Valdes, 60 Cuba, Sep 1839, parents b. Cuba, emigrated 1873, in US for 27 years, alien, married 29 years, cigar maker & seller

Magdalene, 56 Cuba, Feb 1844, parents b. Cuba, emigrated 1873, in US for 27 years, gave birth to 4 children, 4 are living

Joseph, 28 Cuba, Mar 1872, emigrated 1873, in US for 27 years, naturalized, cigar maker & seller

Eaustace, 21 NY, Feb 1879, cigar maker, journeyman

Edith, 13 NY, Aug 1886, at school

Ida, 7 NY, Apr 1893, at school

1905 NY state census – Brooklyn, Kings NY – 504 Franklin Ave. – his future wife Ida Valdes

Eustace Valdes, 65 Cuba, cigarmaker

Madeline, 58 Cuba, housework

Joseph, 30 Cuba,, cigar maker

Eustace, 25 US, school teacher

Edith, 18 US, bookkeeper

Ida, 13 US, at school

1910 Beaverdam, Watauga NC – Rusk Branch Rd.

John W. Shell, 49 NC, parents b. TN, married 21 years, farmer, general farm

Emma A., 39 NC, parents b. NC, gave birth to 8 children, 8 are living

Wesley, 17 NC, farm laborer, home farm

Charlie, 15 NC, farm laborer, home farm

Carl, 13 NC, farm laborer, home farm

Clara, 10 NC

Dora, 8 NC

Don, 2 NC

1920 Brooklyn, Kings NY – 1235 Bedford Ave.

Found at: https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/20792970:6061?tid=64386949&pid=372092674917&queryId=1155c68229d3f9576db40860f60d6474&_phsrc=hFB55358&_phstart=successSource

Joseph Valdes, 47 Cuba, parents b. Cuba, single, emigrated 1873, naturalized, clerk, electrical house

Madeline Valdes, 75 Cuba, parents b. Cuba, widow, emigrated 1873, alien [mother]

Eustace H. Valdes, 39 NY, parents b. Cuba, single, floor manager, dance hall [brother]

John W. Shell, 27 MA, parents b. NC, clerk, US government [lodger – actually Joseph's brother-in-law]

Ida Shell, 26 NY, parents b. Cuba, clerk, telephone [lodger – actually Joseph & Eustace's sister & Madeline's daughter]

1925 NY state census – Hempstead, Nassau NY

John Shell, 33 US, carpenter

Ida, 33 US, housewife

Jacqueline, 120 days US

1930 Hempstead, Nassau NY – 23 Lewiston

John W. Shell, 37 NC, parents b. NC, age 26 at 1st marriage, carpenter, house, WWI veteran

Ida E., 38 NY, parents b. Cuba, age 27 at 1st marriage

Jacqueline, 5 NY

1940 Long Branch, Monmouth NJ – 164 Rosewood – in 1935 in Franklin, South Nassau NY

John W. Shell, 47 NC, building inspector, War Department

Ida, 48 NY

Jacqueline, 15 NY

1950 Shrewsbury, Monmouth NJ

John W. Shell, 57 NC, construction engineering, Naval Ammunition Depot

Ida E. Shell, 57 NY [misread & misindexed as Elda]

John T. Phillips, 28 NJ, painter, retail painting contractor [son-in-law]

Jacqueline C. Phillips, 25 NJ, census enumerator, US Department of Commerce [daughter]