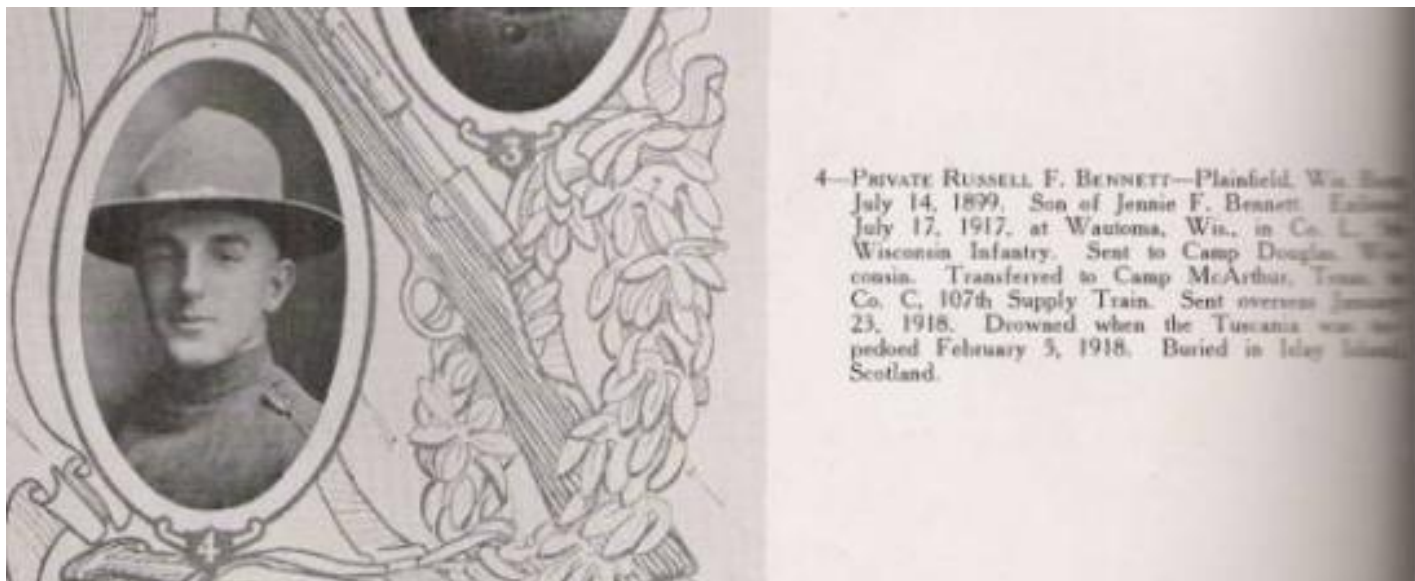


TUSCANIA

Tuscania casualty
Bennett, Russell Frank
1899 WI – 5 February 1918 Tuscania



The Gold Star Boys of Plainfield, Wis., Waushara County

<https://sites.rootsweb.com/~wiwausha/honorroll/gsplainfield.jpg>

The First Volunteers in Waushara County



JAMES ROTHERMEL
ARTHUR DUBKE
FRANK ROTHERMEL
NORMAN ROZELL

HARLEY EMIGH
LEO SPEAR
FRED ROTHERMEL
RUSSELL BENNETT
RICHARD ROTHERMEL

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One of the men pictured is Russell Bennett -



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#5 - The honor roll of Green Lake and Waushara Counties ...

The honor roll of Green Lake and Waushara Counties, Wisconsin, U.S.A. : 1917-1918-1919. About This Item. The honor roll of Green Lake and Waushara Counties ...

<https://babel.hathitrust.org/cgi/pt?id=wu.89066171281&view=1up&seq=202>

Wisconsin, Birth Index, 1820-1907

View record

Name Russell F Bennett
 Birth Date 14 Jul 1899
 Birth Place Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA
 Reel 0193
 Record Number 000376

https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/119641007/person/150197119909/facts?_phsrc=cPx6878&_phstart=succsessSource

BENNETT RUSSEL FRANK		X^C 7077
Pvt Co C 107th Sup Tn		K
Plainfield Wisc		A 2 449 531
Sn	Died 2/6/18	T 294 714
Born 7/14/99		R
Enl 7/15/17	Dts 2/5/18	Ct.
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U. S. VETERANS BUREAU
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 Form 7202

INDEX CARD

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WISCONSIN

WHITE: ENTERED SERVICE WITH NATIONAL GUARD OR ASSIGNED
 THERETO UPON ENLISTMENT OR INDUCTION.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SERIAL NO</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION AT TIME OF DEATH</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>
Bennett, Russell F.		Pvt	Co C 107 Sup Tn	Feb 5/18

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Life:

Russell Bennett arrived home Thursday of last week from a visit with his brother, George, at Weyauwega.

"Stevens Point (WI) Gazette" Wednesday 18 Jul 1917 p 9

Russell Bennett is now employed at the Plainfield creamery as book-keeper.

"Stevens Point (WI) Gazette" Wednesday 20 Jun 1917 p 9

Those from here who passed examination for membership in the National Guard at Hancock last Wednesday were: Richard J. Rothermel, Fred E. Rothermel, W. J. Perry, Jr., Vernon Rozell, Fred Dubke, Arleigh Perron and Leo Spear. On Monday of this week Russell Bennett and James Rothermel took a third examination and passed, also Frank Rothermel, Jr. This makes ten from Plainfield who will join the national guard and work for Uncle Sam.

"Stevens Point (WI) Gazette" Wednesday 4 Jul 1917 p 7

PLAINFIELD WILL ORGANIZE MILITIA

A militia company is being organized at Plainfield and the enlistments are coming in rapidly. Following is the roll of honor up to date:

Russell F. Bennett, Arden A. Spees, Clayton L. Ferguson, Floyd V. Spear, Raymond A. Petrick, Lloyd L. Lamb, Kenneth J. Hubbard, Arthur Dubke, John Finnemore, Floyd M. Humphrey, Richard J. Sheriff, Vernon Rozell, Arleigh Perron, Frank L. Tibbits, Lloyd L. Straw, James Rothermel, Fred Dubke, Claude M. Barton, Julius A. Brown, George Milne.

"Portage (WI) Daily Register" Saturday 28 Apr 1917 p 3

Among others reported as saved are the following: Lloyd C. Garthwaite of Wautoma, a former resident of Stevens Point and former local Normal student; D. E. Rogers of Dancy, Marathon county; Clyde and Glen Diggles of Wautoma, nephews of Mrs. A. R. Marshall of this city; Charles Stratton of Wautoma, brother of Mrs. R. D. Austin of this city, and G. H. Gustin, a cousin of Mrs. Austin, also of Wautoma; H. B. Collar of Hortonville, nephew of L. A. Collar, until recently manager of the local express office; Ralph Mayo of New London, a brother of Mrs. John Spurr, who formerly lived here, when her husband was employed on the Soo line; Harley R. Ameigh, Norman J. Perry, Vernon J. Rozell, Russell F. Bennett, A. L. Perron and L. W. Spear, Plainfield; Herbert M. Edmunds, J. Loftis, J. Jacobson, C. H. Jacobson, W. E. Jacobson, K. Dorrant, Waupaca; R. Anderson, F. Braem, Jr., Hallie Dumas, Arthur Evenson, W. A. Ebel, D. R. Knapton, P. Stoiber, G. J. Schunk, Marshfield; Edmund P. Johnson, G. Danley, E. M. Ming, Iola.

Erroneously reported saved – "Stevens Point (WI) Journal" Wednesday 13 Feb 1918 p 8

These are Buried

The following is the first complete list of Americans now buried on the Scottish coast. Each body, whether identified or not, was given a number. Thus, at a point where seventy-eight victims were buried side by side, in a long trench the numbers run from one to seventy-eight in the following order:

T. W. Herman, L. B. Reeder, William C. Keown, L. Roberts, Orville Casper, E. H. Duffy, Paul John C. Wood, W. R. Johnson, H. E. Page, C. B. West, T. Tuttle, Walter Brown, Clarence W. Short, H. Stewart, fireman, member of crew; Raymond Butler, State of Wisconsin; James Logan, member of crew; G. V. Zimmerman, J. Edwards, George H. Reinhard, Walter Crellin, William E. Bennett, G. E. Swanson, unidentified private, William P. Moran, C. J. Jenkins, Charles McMillan, crew;

List continues - "La Crosse (WI) Tribune" Wednesday 13 Feb 1918 p 4

Eleven Wisconsin boys were buried in Scotland, according to the report, one being from Kenosha. He is Otto Mowrey. Milwaukee has two victims in the list, Orville N. Casper and Fred A. Rudolph. Other boys from this state who were buried in Scotland follow: Alvin N. Collins, Markesan; Raymond Butler, New Richmond; Charles E. Swanson, Rothschilds; Homer L. Anderson, Cumberland; Russell F. Bennett, Plainfield; Otis Hutchins, Whitehall; Claire Metzenbauer, Chippewa Falls.

While the bodies have been buried in Scotland there is a possibility of the federal government forwarding the remains to relatives in this country as soon as arrangements can be made to do so.

"Racine (WI) Journal Times" Wednesday 13 Feb 1918 p 1

164 ARE BURIED ON SCOTCH SOIL

One Hundred and Thirty-Six
Still Unaccounted for and It
Is Believed They Went
Down With Trans-
port.

* * * * *
* The ten men from Wisconsin *
* were: Homer L. Anderson, Cum- *
* berland; Russell F. Bennett, *
* Plainfield; Raymond Butler, New *
* Richmond; Alvin N. Collins, *
* Markesan; James P. Hawley, *
* Neenah; Otis Hutchins, White- *
* hall; Claire Metzenbauer, Chip- *
* pewa Falls; Otto Mawrey, Ken- *
* osha; George D. Rheinhardt, Jef- *
* ferson and C. E. Swanson, Roth- *
* child. *
* * * * *

"Portage (WI) Daily Register" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 1

SOME SURELY LOST ON THE TUSCANIA

List Compiled at Washington, not Yet
Complete, Includes the Name of
**Russell F. Bennett of
Plainfield.**

A list of the American soldiers who perished in the Tuscania disaster has been compiled in Washington by comparison of the lists of those who sailed, those reported safe and those reported to have been buried abroad in dispatches from a Scottish port. The Wisconsin names included thus far among those definitely known to have perished are as follows:

Orvel N. Casper, Milwaukee.
Raymond Butler, New Richmond.
Charles E. Swanson, Rothschild.
Russell F. Bennett, Plainfield.
James P. Hawley, Neenah.
Fred A. Rudolph, Milwaukee.
Otis Hutchins, Whitehall.
Ottis Mowrey, Kenosha.
Claire Mtezenbauer, Chippewa Falls.
Alvin N. Collins, Markesan.
George A. Reinhardt, Jefferson.

Up to Tuesday night, a week after the disaster, 171 victims of the ill-fated Tuscania had been laid to rest at different points* on the Irish and Scottish coasts. These were divided as follows: Americans—131 identified and 35 unidentified. Crew—four identified and three unidentified.

"Stevens Point (WI) Journal" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 1

Principal F. J. Holt, received the sad news of the death of Russel F. Bennett of Plainfield who lost his life for his country on the Tuscania. Mr. Bennett was a friend of Mr. Holt.

"Wisconsin State Journal" (Madison WI) Saturday 16 Feb 1918 p 7 -
<https://www.newspapers.com/image/520356311/>

**THINKS HER SON
IS NOT KILLED**

Mother of Russell F. Bennett of Plainfield Causes Postponement of Memorial Services in Her Boy's Honor

MINISTER IS TOLD NOT TO GO

Official Announcements by the War Department Put Young Man in List of Dead

Notwithstanding repeated official reports from the war department, which states Russell F. Bennett, formerly of Plainfield, had been identified as one of the dead resulting from the torpedoing of the transport Tuscania two weeks ago, Mrs. Bennett believes her son is still alive.

This information was received by Rev. James Blake of this city this morning. Mr. Blake was to have gone to Plainfield to conduct memorial services for Russell Bennett this evening. Before time for the departure of the train Mr. Blake received a telephone call announcing the memorial exercises had been cancelled as Mrs. Bennett had received a postal card stating her son was alive.

Having received the "fake" good news postcard, written by all soldiers in advance of landing, Russell's mother refuses to believe he has died – "Stevens Point (WI) Journal" Wednesday 20 Feb 1918 p 7

It is with deepest sympathy we announce the death of Russell F. Bennett, who was lost on the transport Tuscania, Feb. 8th. He is one of the many who gave their lives for their country and the sympathy of the whole community goes out to the bereaved mother and brother in their hour of sorrow. A public memorial will be given in his honor at the M. E. church on Sunday, March 3. His body lies at rest on the shores of Scotland, with 78 other Wisconsin lads, and a monument will be erected in their honor.

"Stevens Point (WI) Gazette" Wednesday 20 Feb 1918 p 9

PLAINFIELD BOY LOST

Russell F. Bennett of Plainfield, who was reported in some dispatches from Washington as having been saved, was among those lost when the transport Tuscania went down off the Irish coast. The young man, with 78 other victims, was buried in Scotland.

"Stevens Point (WI) Gazette" Wednesday 20 Feb 1918 p 7

**BENNET LETTER
IS CAMOUFLAGE**

One of Those Written-in-Advance
Cards Received by the Mother of
Boy Lost on Tuscania Arouses
False Hope of His Safety

ANOTHER OF SIMILAR IMPORT

Letter Coming from Coloma Soldier
Says Trip over on the Tuscania
Was Quiet and Uneventful

The mystery of the letter received by the mother of Russell F. Bennett of Plainfield, reported lost on the Tuscania, which announced that he had landed safely in Europe and which caused an abandonment of the memorial services to have been held for him, at which Rev. James Blake of Stevens Point was to speak, has been explained.

It was one of those camouflage letters which the federal government advises the soldier boys to write just before they sail. The letters are held at an American port until a cable comes announcing the safe arrival of the ship in Europe. Then they are put into the New York postoffice.

Ordinarily the plan works out well, but in the case of the Tuscania there was a slip. An attempt was made to take out of the bundle of "safely arrived" letters those written by men believed to have been lost, but Bennett's message, which was on a postal card, was simply signed "Bud," and it was not identified apparently as belonging to him. Therefore it was forwarded to his mother, who had previously reconciled herself to his death, and it aroused in her breast vain hopes of his safety.

"Stevens Point (WI) Journal" Tuesday 5 Mar 1918 p 1

MEMORIAL SERVICE HAD

**Passing Away of Plainfield Boy on
the Tuscania Commemorated
by His Neighbors**

Plainfield, Wis., March 7—Memorial services were held at the Methodist church in this city Sunday, commemorating the death of Russell Bennett, who lost his life on the Tuscania while enroute to France.

Services were opened with a prayer by Rev. Mr. Joslyn, followed by singing "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." Rev. Mr. Joslyn then announced that Buchanan Johnson would address the congregation and his talk was well received and touched on the points adapted to the sad service. He then presented the service flag. Miss Adeline Rotherman then sang "The Flag of the Free" which was very appropriate.

Principal Their of the Plainfield High school spoke to the congregation and affectionately dwelt on the many good qualities of the deceased hero while he attended his school. Another patriotic hymn was sung entitled "Our Fallen Volunteers" which was composed by Mrs. Joslyn. The piece was excellent.

excellent.

Rev. Mr. Joslyn delivered the memorial sermon, one of the best ever heard.

Services closed by singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee." A large crowd attended the service and paid its last respects to Russell Bennett, who died on duty as a hero in the great war defending our good old United States.

Plainfield Brief Notes

"Stevens Point (WI) Journal" Thursday 7 Mar 1918 p 4

PATRIOTIC SERVICE IN BAPTIST CHURCH

Splendid Memorial Day Program
is Carried Out Sunday
Morning and is
Well Attended

MEMBERS OF G. A. R. PRESENT

Also Woman's Relief Corps and Mem-
bers of Company M
Are There

A splendid memorial and patriotic service was held at the Baptist church on Sunday morning to which members of the Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief Corps and Company M, Wisconsin state guards, were invited by Rev. James Blake, pastor, in behalf of the congregation.

"The Lord Reigneth" was the subject upon which Rev. Mr. Blake spoke. In a part of his address he brought forth the spirit of the war on the part of the allied nations by quoting from a letter from his brother, Henry Blake, who is a teacher in a school in London. One-fourth pound of butter a week and three pounds of meat for five members of a family comprises the allotment in London, he said. Other numbers on the program were a selection by a male quartet and a vocal solo by Mrs. Henry Vetter.

The assemblage of people at the morning service brought out distinctly the spirit of the memorial service and the spirit of patriotism. Seated behind the war veterans were the members of Company M in uniform and in another part of the church building was Mrs. Jennie Bennett of Plainfield, mother of Russell Bennett, who lost his life when the Tuscania was torpedoed off the Irish coast on February 5. The personal touch was further exemplified by reference to the late Miss Edith Blake, niece of Rev. Mr.

Blake, who was drowned when the Glernert Castle was torpedoed recently. The young lady was a Red Cross nurse and on an errand of mercy at the time of her death.

At the evening service the patriotic spirit was again brought forth by 19 men of the church, who answered in place of 19 men who held membership in the church who are now serving their country in some branch of active war work. Prof. E. T. Smith of the Normal faculty delivered a splendid address on the subject "The War." The building was appropriately decorated in flags of the United States for both church services.

"Stevens Point (WI) Journal" Monday 27 May 1918 p 1

Mother:

Jennie Bennett to Be Thursday

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon from the Plainfield Baptist church for Mrs. Jennie F. Bennett, 80, of Plainfield, who died at 6:30 p. m. Monday at Riverview hospital here following a six weeks' illness. The Rev. B. J. Morford will officiate. Interment will be in the Wautoma cemetery.

Mrs. Bennett was born at Wautoma on July 29, 1861, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Judson Luce, and lived in central Wisconsin all her life. Her marriage to George W. Bennett took place in Milwaukee in 1893. Two sons were born to this union, Russell, who lost his life in the sinking of the Tuscania in 1918, and George of Wisconsin Rapids. She also leaves two brothers Frank and Clarence Luce of Hancock.

Since 1919 she had made her home with Miss Anna Selsing near Wautoma.

She was a member of the Baptist church at Plainfield, and of the Royal Neighbors and Rebekah lodges.

*Obituary of mother Jennie Luce Bennett – "Wisconsin Rapids (WI) Daily Tribune"
Wednesday 4 Mar 1942 p 7*

Sibling:

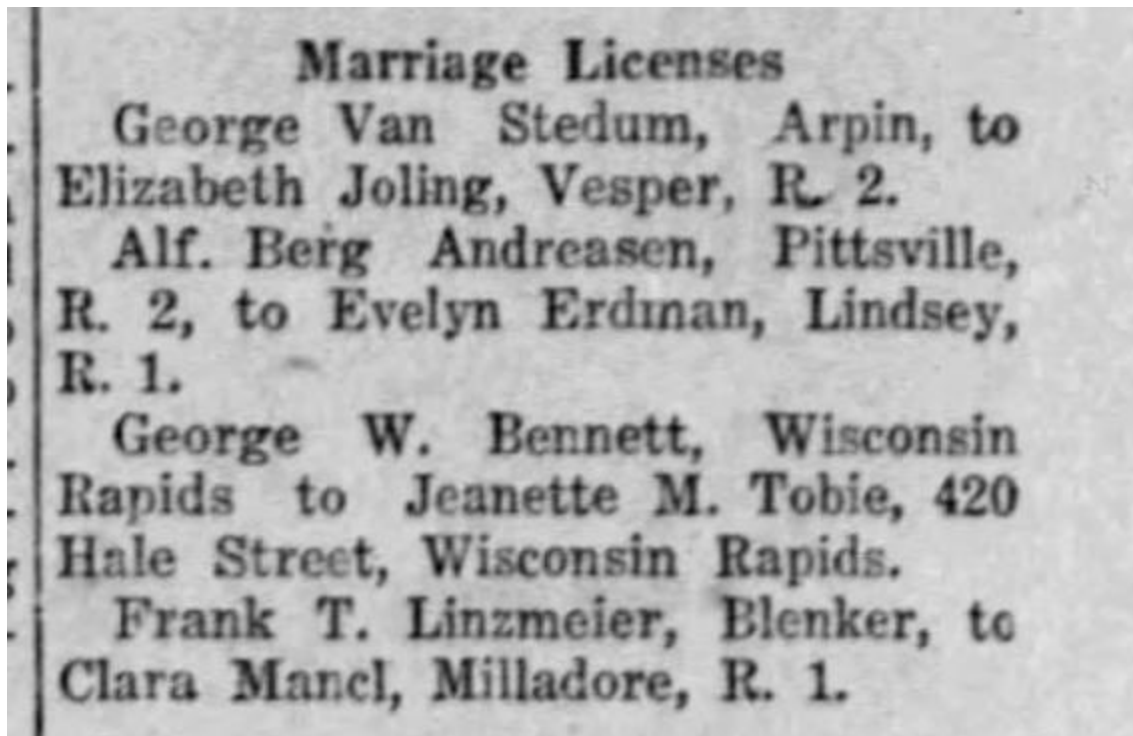
On Sunday afternoon at the home of Rev. and Mrs. James Blake, occurred the marriage of George W. Bennett, son of Mrs. Jenny Bennett of Plainfield, to Miss Verna Weisbrod of Weyauwega. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Weisbrod, the former a brother of the bride, were the attendants.

The groom is a brother of the late Russell Bennett, who was drowned when the ship Tuscania was torpedoed off the Irish coast on February 5 last. The young couple will reside in Plainfield, where Mr. Bennett is engaged in the sale of automobiles. His mother was also present at the ceremony at the Blake home.

Marriage of brother George Washington Bennett Jr. to Verna Weisbrod – "Stevens Point (WI) Journal" Tuesday 28 May 1918 p 8

George Bennett, who has been a resident of Weyauwega for the past twenty years, and who married Miss Verna Weisbrod, has sold his residence in the west part of the village and expects to reside at Montevideo, Minn., where Mrs. Bennett's parents are located. **Walter Pagel** was the purchaser of the Bennett residence.

"Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Thursday 12 Jul 1928 p 4



*License with 2nd wife Jeanette M. Tobie – “Wisconsin Rapids (WI) Daily Tribune” Wednesday
25 Apr 1934 p 8*

Verna Weisbrod

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Marriage Records, 1820-2004

Name	Verna Weisbrod
Marriage Date	26 May 1918
Marriage County	Portage, Wisconsin, USA
Spouse	George W Bennett

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/91172102:61484>

Verna E Lundberg

in the Minnesota, U.S., Death Index, 1908-2017

Name	Verna E Lundberg
Death Age	94
Record Type	Death
Birth Date	17 Dec 1899
Death Date	25 Apr 1994
Death Place	Chippewa, Minnesota, USA
Death Registration Date	1994
Mother's Maiden Name	Stange
Certificate Number	012296
Record Number	2499263

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1602368:7316>

STATE OF TEXAS *101-01-2 101-01* CERTIFICATE OF DEATH *4123 32* STATE FILE NO. **21058**

1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY HARRIS		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived, if institution: residence before admission) a. STATE TEXAS b. COUNTY HARRIS	
b. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) Houston		c. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) Houston	
d. NAME OF (If not in hospital, give street address) HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION MEMORIAL HOSPITAL-Southeast		d. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) 3003 Broadway Apt 56	
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? ☒ YES ☐ NO		f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? ☐ YES ☒ NO	
3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) JEANNETTE MARGARET BENNETT		4. DATE OF DEATH February 17, 1973	
5. SEX Female	6. COLOR OR RACE White	7. MARRIAGE STATUS ☒ Married ☐ Never Married ☐ Widowed ☐ Divorced	8. AGE (In years last birthday) 58
10a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) Housewife		11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Wisconsin	
10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY		12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? USA	
13. FATHER'S NAME Lewis D. Tobie		14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Margaret Springer	
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (If yes, give war or dates of service)		17. INFORMANT SPANGLER MORTUARY Los Altos, Calif.	
16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 398-01-0118			
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS RECD. MAR 27 1973 IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) Cardiac Arrest WHICH GAVE RISE TO ABOVE CAUSE (b) ASHD & CHF OTHER CAUSE (c) Pneumonia right base			
PART 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART 3a			
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 OF INJURY Hour _____ Minute _____			
22. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.)		23. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION Houston, Texas	
24. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐		25. DATE 2/17/73	
26. SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i>		27. ADDRESS 7647 Bellfort	
28. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Removal		29. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Mission Memorial Park	
29. LOCATION (City, town, or county) Santa Clara, California		30. FURNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE HEIGHTS FUNERAL HOME	
31. REGISTRATION NO. 02000		32. DATE RECD BY LOCAL REGISTRAR MARCH 9, 1973	

TX death record of Jeannette Margaret Tobie Bennett -
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/594809:2272>

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Russell Frank Bennett

Name variations: Bud Bennett, Russel Frank Bennett

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Supply Co. C - private

Serial number: not assigned when died

Entered service from: Plainfield, Waushara WI

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Russell F. Bennett

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": mother Mrs. Jennie Bennett, Plainfield WI

Islay, Scotland, burial: – body 1st buried at Kilnaughton, Islay, Scotland - grave 64, as Russell F. Bennett

Body returned from war on: "Antigone" arriving Hoboken 29 Sep 1920

Listed on return ship as: Russell F. Bennett

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: NOK not listed on this roster – private, Co. B, 107th Supply TrainEnlistment: 17 Jul 1917 Wautoma, Waushara WI – 3 days after his 18th birthday – OR – enlisted 15 Jul 1917, one day after his 18th birthday

World War I draft registration (1917):

Veterans Administration Military Index: listed as Russel Frank Bennett

Enlisted 15 Jul 1917

Discharged 5 Feb 1918 [i.e. death]

Address: Plainfield WI

Rank/unit: private, Co. C., 107th Supply TrainBirth & death:

Born: 14 Jul 1899 Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI

Died: 5 Feb 1918 Tuscania

Has 2 Find A Grave records:

Virginia - burial:

Find A Grave record: 173819922 – presence on Tuscania noted in flower Arlington Cemetery VA [flower on Find A Grave says researcher unable to locate in 2015]

Burial location: Arlington, Arlington Co. VA

Cemetery: Arlington National Cemetery

Tombstone: veteran upright tombstone - Wisconsin Pvt 107 Sup Tn 32 Div

Wisconsin – memorial:

Find A Grave record: 46618828 - presence on Tuscania noted in text & flower

Burial location: Plainfield, Waushara Co. WI

Cemetery: Plainfield WI

Tombstone:– tombstone (cenotaph) in WI: Co. L., transferred to Co. C, 107th Supply Train, Tuscania victim. However, a researcher's note in a "flower" on this Find A Grave record left in 2015 said the person was unable to locate any marker in the cemetery,

Father: George Washington Bennett, Sr. – 12 Aug 1844 Rochester, Monroe NY – 10 Aug

1899 Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI. Son of Chauncey (1818-1896) & Mary (1811-1885)

Bennett. Insurance agent. George died when his son Russell was not yet one month old.

Buried in Pilgrims Rest Cemetery, Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI.

Find A Grave: 145459573

Mother: Jennie F. Luce Bennett, 29 Jul 1861 Wautoma, Waushara WI – 2 Mar 1942

Plainfield, Waushara WI. Daughter of Judson Luce (1818-1887) & Julia Hughes (1824-1888).

Obituary on Find A Grave: from "Wisconsin Rapids Daily Tribune" 4 Mar 1942 p 7 – died at age 80, after illness of 6 weeks, resident Plainfield WI. Mother of two sons: Russell (who died on the Tuscania in 1918) and George W. Bennett (of Wisconsin Rapids WI). Since 1919 she has lived with Miss Anna Selsing [in Mount Morris WI] near Wautoma.

Buried in Wautoma Union Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI.

Find A Grave: 97336350

Parents' marriage: 6 May 1894 Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI

Siblings:

- George Washington Bennett, Jr. 17 Jul 1896 Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI – 12 May 1955 Wisconsin Rapids, Wood WI. Served in the Student Army Training Corps in WWI. – His 1st wife was Verna E. Weisbrod (17 Dec 1899 WI – 25 Apr 1994 Chippewa Co. WI, F: 116619303) whom he married 26 May 1918 in Portage Co. WI. Verna was the daughter of William Philip Weisbrod (1863-1958, F: 115723347) & Emma Louise Strange (1877-1957, F: 115723339). - "Stevens Point Journal" Tuesday 28 May 1918 p 8 – married on Sunday, 26 May 1918, at the home of Rev. & Mrs. James Blake, were George W. Bennett, son of Mrs. Jenny Bennett of Plainfield, to Miss Verna Weisbrod of Weyauwega. The groom is the brother of the late Russell Bennett, drowned on the Tuscania. The couple will live in Plainfield where George is an automobile salesman. His mother attended the wedding. The 1920 census lists George with Verna in Weyauwega WI, but she appears to move to Minneapolis MN by Jan 1932 with their daughter Nancy and uses the name "Mrs. Verna Bennett." Verna is living in Montevideo MN in 1949. - "Oshkosh Northwestern" 12 Jul 1928 p 4 – George Bennett, a Weyauwega resident for the past 20 years, who married Verna Weisbrod, sold his residence in the west part of the city & will reside in Montevideo MN where Verna's parents live. – Verna & George had 2 daughters, Nancy (1924) & Miriam (1925). – On 27 Jun 1959 in Chippewa Co. MN, Verna Bennett married Gustav Adolf Lundberg (1890-1971, F: 116619302). – George married Jeannette Margaret Tobie, b. 20 Aug 1914, d. 17 Feb 1973 Houston, Harris TX, buried in Mission Memorial Park,

Santa Clara Co. CA, F: 64716331. Jeannette was the daughter of Lewis D. Tobie & Margaret Springer. They obtained a marriage license in WI in Apr 1934. Their son was Russell Frank Bennett (apparently named after his dead uncle, 1949-1984). George is buried in Wautoma Union Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI. F: 112692900

Notes: Plainfield (WI) High School graduate 1917

Wartime:

Post-war:

Obituary:

Censuses:

1900 Plainfield, Waushara WI – conducted 20 Jun 1900

Gorglie Bennett [i.e. Jennie], 38 WI, Jul 1861, parents b. NY, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living, widow – no occupation

George, 3 WI, Jul 1896, parents b. WI

Russel, 10 months WI, Jul 1899, parents b. WI

1910 unable to locate