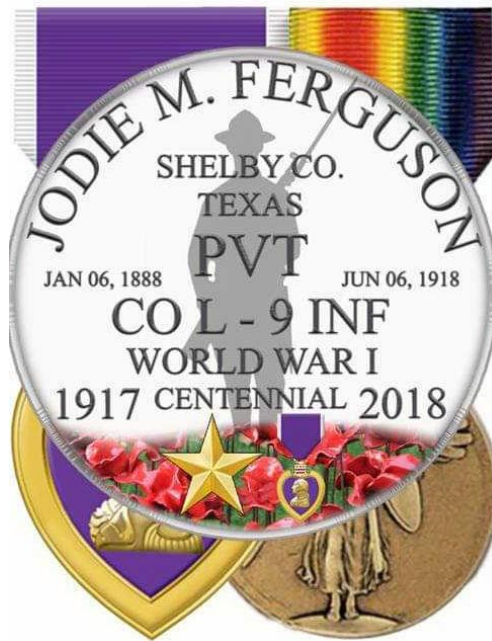


TUSCANIA

World War I casualty

Ferguson, Jodie M.

1888 TX – 1918 France



The year 1888 brought a second child to the family of Joseph A. and Ada Risinger Ferguson of Tenaha, Texas. Jodie was born on January 6th and had an older sister, Cassie. One brother and six more sisters would join the family in the years that followed. Jodie's father died at the early age of 39 in 1900 and the census of that year showed them living in Joaquin. Ten years later the census had Jodie, now 22 living in Hunt, Texas with his widowed mother and five brothers and sisters.

With the World War for America now two months in progress, JODIE M. FERGUSON who was farming in Gary, Texas registered for the draft at age 29. Three months later on September 19th, 1917 he was inducted in the US Army at Center, Texas. After completion of basic training at Camp Travis, Texas he was assigned to Company L of the 9th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division at Camp Merritt, New Jersey. The 9th Infantry had the nickname of "Manchus" earned during their service in China during the Boxer Rebellion and the motto was "Keep Up The Fire".

He and his unit departed the United States aboard the SS Tuscania that was attacked by German submarines on the evening of February 5, 1918. Surviving, Private Ferguson and his unit participated in the Third Battle of the Aisne in France. It was a massive surprise attack by the Germans that began with bombardments and followed by a poison gas drop. Their objective was to take the city of Paris. The German Army advanced within 35 miles of Paris on June 3, 1918 but were plagued with many problems including supply shortages, fatigue, lack of reserves and many casualties. On June 6, 1918 following many successful Allied counter-attacks, the German advance halted. Also, on this day Private Jodie M. Ferguson of Shelby County, Texas died of wounds received in battle 101 years ago on June 6, 1918.

His mother, Mrs. Ada Ferguson who was now living in Timpson, Texas and listed as Jodie's next of kin was notified by telegram. Initially Private Ferguson was buried in France and in 1922 his remains were returned to the United States aboard the USS Crook and then home by train for reburial in the Joaquin Cemetery, Joaquin, Texas. At that time he was survived by his mother, three sisters and one brother.

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SOLDIERS OF THE GREAT WAR

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TEXAS

DIED OF WOUNDS

FARMER, Houston B., Dallas.
 FASHION, August J., Houston.
 FEE, Charles Scott, Bandera.
 FELL, Herman, Berclair.
 FERGUSON, Jodie N., Timpson.
 FERGUSON, William H., Ore City.
 FIELDS, William R., Sutherland.
 FILLIP, Frank, Mart.
 FINCK, John G., Lulia.
 FISHER, Aubrey A., De Leon.
 FLEMING, Jesse L., Rockdale.
 FLEMING, William M., Sanger.
 FLORES, Jose Secundino, San Antonio.
 FORD, John E., Mambrino.
 FOSTER, Thomas E., Medicine Mound.
 FREEMAN, Frank W., Glidden.
 FRYAR, Samuel N., Sherman.
 FURR, Ralph, Kirkland.

Soldiers of the Great War -

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Ferguson, Jodie M.		251,530	* White * Colored:	7
(Surname)	(Christian name)	(Army serial number)		
Residence: none Gary		Shelby	TEXAS	
(Street and house number)	(Town or city)	(County)	(State)	
* Enlistment: R.A. & N.G. & E.R. & C. * Inducted at		Center Texas	Sept 19 17	
Place of birth: Tenaha Texas		Age or date of birth: 29 9/12 yrs 19		
Organizations served in, with dates of assignments and transfers: Co A 15 Bn 165 Dep Brig to Meh 31/18; 6 Co 2nd Bn 1 Tng Regt DD 1st Corps to Apr 17/18; Co L 9 Inf to death.				
Grades, with date of appointment: Pvt				
Engagements: Battle of the Aisne				
Served overseas from Jan 24/18 to June 6/18, from to				
Died June 6 1918, of wounds received in action.				
Other wounds or injuries received in action: None (If none, so state)				
Person notified of death: Mrs. Ada Ferguson		Mother		
(Name)		(Degree of relationship)		
Remarks: Timpson		Tex		
(No. and street or rural route)		(City, town, or post office) (State or country)		
Form No. 724-7, A. G. O. Nov. 22, 1919. * Strike out words not applicable. † Dates of departure from and arrival in the U. S. 3-7257				

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FERGUSON JODIE M		X C 21 438
Co G 9th Inf		K
Timpson Tex		A
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Born 1/6/88		R
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Texas WHITE; INDUCTED INTO NATIONAL ARMY OR ASSIGNED THERETO UPON ENLISTMENT.

NAME	SERIAL NO.	RANK	ORGANIZATION AT TIME OF DEATH	DATE OF DEATH
Ferguson, Jodie M		Pvt	Co G 9 Inf	June 6/18

US, WWI American Expeditionary Forces Deaths, 1917-1919

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Life

FIVE FORT WORTH MEN AMONG TEXAS SOLDIERS ON TUSCANIA

ton, George A. Artwell, Temple, Frank Childress, Gilliland; Clifton C. Evans, Nopal; E. L. Edmondson, Strawn; W. A. Ebel, Brookshire; J. M. Ferguson, Timpson; Leon S. Herbert, Port Arthur; Joe Monroe, Spring, Harris county; Harold C. Martin, Houston; Edwin M. Muckleroy, San Angelo; Joseph Mynar, Rosebud; Sidney R. Nail,

Fort Worth Star-Telegram
Sat, Feb 09, 1918 ·Page 8

Excerpts -

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Partial List of Survivors.

United Press.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The war department today made public the following to include in the list of survivors of the transport Tuscania, all from Texas:

Ernest R. Bridges, Van Court.

Herbert Freeborn Nelson, Mission.

Evens P. Peterman, Ysleta.

Julian Jolliffe, 1309 Clay street, Houston.

Leon S. Martin, Palacios.

Attiea N. Striegler, Fredericksburg.

Robert L. Holly, Temple.

William N. Byrd, San Angelo.

Thomas Luther Ball, Cleburne.

Anson L. Bates, Spring Lake.

Millard F. Boatwright, Hico.

Thomas A. Coker, Roby.

Pablo Carralles, Yoakum.

Arthur Davis, Clarksville.

Clifton C. Evans, Nopal.

Harry F. Ellington.

J. M. Ferguson, Timpson.

Justo Hernandez, Kildare.

Thomas A. Johnson, Waxahachie.

Samuel A. Jones, Gladewater.

Jesse L. Jones, Waco.

The Waco Times-Herald
Sun, Feb 10, 1918 -Page 1

Waco TX

AMERICAN CASUALTIES.

(By Associated Press)

Washington, June 17.—The casualty list today contains 39 names: Killed in action 6, died of wounds 2, died airplane accident 1, died of disease 4, wounded severely 24, wounded degree undetermined 1, missing in action 1.

Texas men included in the list are Captain Albert E. Tucker of Laredo and Private Jodie M. Ferguson of Timpson.

Bryan-College Station Eagle
Mon, Jun 17, 1918 -Page 1

Bryan TX

LIST OF CASUALTIES CONTAINS 39 NAMES

Two Texas Soldiers Are Re-
ported Severely Wounded;
Oklahoma Aviator Killed.

+-----+-----+-----+
+ Captain Albert S. Tucker, Lare- +
+ do, Texas, severely wounded. +
+ Captain Harry S. Gwynne, Tulsa, +
+ Okla., died in airplane accident. +
+ Jodie M. Ferguson, Timpson, +
+ Texas, severely wounded. +
+-----+-----+-----+

Fort Worth Record-Telegram
Tue, Jun 18, 1918 ·Page 3

Fort Worth TX

JOAQUIN HONORS DEAD HERO.

Joaquin, Texas, Feb. 9.—The body of Jodie M. Ferguson, survivor of the Tuscania, who was wounded in battle and died in France, reached here Saturday and burial was with military honors of the American Legion Monday.

Survivors are his mother and one sister, Mrs. F. Hollis of Lindon, Texas; two sisters of Houston and one of Blanket; a brother living in Arkansas; one uncle, J. A. Ferguson, this place. The funeral was one of the largest and most impressive in the history of town owing to the fact that the soldier was well known here and this was the first military funeral here.

The Houston Chronicle
Thu, Feb 09, 1922 ·Page 7



Mother:

FERGUSON—Mrs. Ada Ferguson, 74, of 7008 Myrtle died at her residence at 5:15 a. m. Sunday. She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Birdie Schilling of Houston, Mrs. T. E. Carpenter of Weslaco, and Mrs. F. H. Hollis and Mrs. T. A. Bellamy of Channelview; 19 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. The body will be sent to Joaquin via Southern Pacific lines at 9:05 a. m. Monday. Funeral services will be held at the Joaquin cemetery at 3 p. m. Monday. Active pallbearers will be Alanzo Schilling, Mayfield Schilling, Dale Hollis, F. H. Hollis, James Bellamy and Kermit Hollis. All are grandsons. Fogle-West company, directors.

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Mon, Jun 02, 1941 -Page 3 Houston TX

This obituary omits son William, but he is included in the obituary below – children May, Jodie & Julia are dead & Dovie is presumed dead

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1. PLACE OF DEATH
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF Harris
CITY OR PRECINCT NO. Houston 7008 Myrtle

2. FULL NAME OF DECEASED Mrs Ada Ferguson
GIVE STREET AND NUMBER OR NAME OF INSTITUTION

3. LENGTH OF RESIDENCE WHERE DEATH OCCURRED 13 YEARS MONTHS DAYS (SOCIAL SECURITY NO.)

RESIDENCE OF DECEASED 7008 Myrtle CITY Houston COUNTY Harris STATE Texas

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX Female 4 COLOR White

5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Widow

6 DATE OF BIRTH March 4th, 1867

7 AGE 74 YEARS 2 MONTHS 28 DAYS IF LESS THAN 1 DAY

8A TRADE, PROFESSION OR VINO Domestic

8B INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS IN WHICH ENGAGED Nil

9 BIRTHPLACE Teneha, Texas

10 NAME L.M. Risinger

11 BIRTHPLACE No Data

12 MAIDEN NAME Julia Miles

13 BIRTHPLACE No Data

14 SIGNATURE Mrs F.H. Hollis

15 PLACE OF DEATH Houston, Texas TEXAS

16 SIGNATURE Fogle West Co Ray Fogle 304

17 DATE OF DEATH 6/2/41

18. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM 5-3-41 TO 6-1-41

I LAST SAW HIM/LIVE ON 6-1-41

THE DEATH OCCURRED ON THE DATE STATED ABOVE AT 5:15 P.M.

THE PRIMARY CAUSE OF DEATH WAS: Coronary Thrombosis

CONTRIBUTORY CAUSES WERE:

DATE OF OCCURRENCE JUL 8 1941

PLACE OF OCCURRENCE Houston, Texas

MANNER OR MEANS Heart

IF RELATED TO OCCUPATION OF DECEASED, SPECIFY

20 FILE NUMBER 1928 FILE DATE JUN 6 - 1941 SIGNATURE OF LOCAL REGISTRAR A. J. W. also POSTOFFICE ADDRESS Houston, Texas

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Ada Ferguson

in the Texas, U.S., Death Index, 1903-2000

Name	Birth Date	Death Date	Death County	Certificate
Ada Ferguson	1867	1941	Harris	27567

Detail Source

Name Ada Ferguson

Death Date 1 Jun 1941

Death County Harris

Certificate 27567

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/4876/records/6402392>

Siblings:

HOLLIS
MRS. CARRIE LEE HOLLIS, 85, of 1328 Sheldon Road, Channelview, passed away Wednesday in a local hospital. Member Memorial Baptist Church of Channelview. Survivors: Daughters, Mrs. Dovie Mae Biggers, Channelview; sons, Fox H. Hollis Jr., Pasadena, J. M. Hollis, Houston; sister, Mrs. Junnie Bell Bellamy, Seabrook; 10 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; number of nieces and nephews. Services 2 p.m. Saturday in the Memorial Baptist Church of Channelview with the Rev. Bert Mattingly and the Rev. Jack Bailey officiating. Burial San Jacinto Memorial Park. **HOWARD-GLENDALE FUNERAL DIRECTORS**, 1015 Federal Road, 453-6373.

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Sister Carrie Lee Ferguson Hollis (1885-1973) -

Houston TX

STATE OF TEXAS		101-00-2 101-00		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		101297	
1. PLACE OF DEATH Harris Precinct #3		2. USUAL RESIDENCE Harris Precinct #3 (Channelview)		3. DATE OF DEATH December 19, 1973		4. AGE IN YEARS December 6, 1888 85	
5. DECEASED CARRIE LEE		6. SEX Female		7. RACE White		8. MARRIAGE STATUS Married	
9. OCCUPATION Housewife		10. DECEASED'S BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY Homemaking		11. BIRTHPLACE Tennessee, Texas		12. CITIZENSHIP USA	
13. FATHER'S NAME Joe Ferguson		14. MOTHER'S MARRIAGE NAME Ada Risinger		15. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 460-16-0063D		16. CAUSE OF DEATH CVA	
17. TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RECORDED 21 1974		18. DUE TO ASHD		19. TIME OF DEATH 6 hrs 35 min.		20. BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS	
21. MEDICAL CERTIFICATE 21/19/73		22. SIGNATURE Lloyd H. Shilling		23. ADDRESS Channelview, Tex 15101 E. Freeway		24. DATE SIGNED 12/31/73	
25. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Burial		26. DATE December 22, 1973		27. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY San Jacinto Memorial Park		28. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE Howard Glendale F.D. Howard	
29. REGISTER'S FILE NO. 2		30. DATE RECD BY LOCAL REGISTRAR 1-7-14		31. REGISTER'S SIGNATURE V.O. Morrison			

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SHILLING—Marcus Eugene Shilling, 47, of 8008 Phil, died at a hospital at 2:45 a. m. Sunday. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Birdie Shilling; two sons, Alonzo and Mayfield Shilling; three sisters, Mrs. Maude Ballard, Mrs. T. D. Watson and Mrs. G. G. Williams; three brothers, Ceph, Dennis and Dewitt Shilling. He was a member and past master of the Pasadena lodge, No. 1155, A. F. and A. M., and a deacon of the Broadway Baptist church. Funeral services will be held at the Milby Memorial Methodist church at 2 p. m. Monday, with Rev. Carrol Griffith and Rev. N. E. Seavy officiating. Active pallbearers will be J. D. Parks, A. B. Freeman, F. Fisher, A. R. Cruse, Charlie Syphon and W. J. May. Honorary pallbearers will be all members of the Pasadena lodge and all deacons of the Broadway Baptist church. Burial will be in Forest Park cemetery, under direction of the Boulevard Funeral home. The Pasadena lodge will have charge of services at the grave.

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Sister Birdie Grace Ferguson Shilling (1895-1972) -

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MARRIAGE LICENSES

G. D. Anderson to Miss Josephine
Harrison
Ray Jennings Welch to Miss Leora
Gamble
Ronald Glen Smith to Miss Edith
Marie Bevel
Lupe Torres to Miss Rosa Sanchez
Stanley L. Nesolowski to Miss Doris
Elwanda Smith.
Robert L. Davidson to Mrs. Della
Rightmer.
Robert Quinn Pegram to Miss Mary
Helen Hailey.
John D. Edwards to Miss Hazel Abels.
V. A. Scroggins to Miss Lucille Dean
Perkins
Jesus Valverde to Mrs. Dora Lopez.
William C. Williams to Miss Theima
Johnson.
Philip Nathans to Miss Thursa Morris.
Charles J. McElligatt to Mrs. Marie
McElligatt.
J. Arthur Brown to Miss Myrtle M.
Maudlin.
Felix Garcia to Mrs. Erma Lee Selp.
Anthony Massa to Miss Lucille Gal-
breath.
Roy Smith to Mrs. Birdie Grace Shil-
ling.
H. O. Jones to Miss Nanie Lee Sapp.
Curtis O. Oliphant to Miss Dorothy
Cochran.

The Houston Chronicle
Wed, Nov 25, 1942 - Page 17

Mrs. Birdie Shilling Hurt in Collision

Mrs. Birdie Shilling, 54, of 7002 Myrtle, is in St. Joseph's Infirmary in serious condition following a collision involving her car and a city garbage truck in the 4800 block of Winkler at 8:55 a.m. Friday.

Mrs. Shilling has a broken left leg and head injuries.

Lee Jackson, 22, driver of the truck, and his two helpers were uninjured, police reported, although the truck overturned.

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Mrs. Birdie Shilling, 54, of 7008 Myrtle, received a compound fracture of her left leg and a fracture of her right arm when her car and a city dump truck collided in the 4800 block of Winkler at 8:45 a. m. She was admitted to St. Joseph's infirmary.

THE TRUCK was driven by Lee Jackson, 32, of 3624 Alpha, police said.

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Sat, Oct 16, 1948 -Page 2

DIVORCE SUITS FILED

Wildra Adelaine Chumley vs. Other Chumley.
Jessie Evans Redd vs. Edward W. Redd.
Johnnie E. Gessel vs. Ira Gessel.
Barbara Ann Matthews vs. Wallace Kelton Matthews.
Earnestine Grant vs. Samuel Lee Grant.
Carlton F. Spriggs vs. Jewel Marie Spriggs.
Tom Hackett vs. Reva Hackett.
Rosie L. Parnell vs. Willie Parnell.
Joyce P. Ellis vs. Harold C. Ellis.
LaLean Stewart vs. Rainey Stewart.
Maurine Hagle Tiner vs. Melvin J. Tiner.
Polo Tovar Gonzalez vs. Maria Hernandez Gonzalez.
Cora Edmondson Oehlers vs. Wallace A. Oehlers.
Angeline Otis vs. E. J. Otis.
Martha Priest vs. Alton Edward Priest.
Frank G. Rosequist Jr. vs. Patricia A. Rosequist.
Orle Chatman vs. Wellington Chatman.
James Osborne vs. Ruthy Lee Osborne.
Joanne Grayum vs. Harry Grayum.
Birdie Shilling Smith vs. Ray Smith.
Josephine Q. Martinez vs. Sylvester Martinez.
Henry L. Lewis vs. Annie Mae Lewis.
Mabel Lucille Barrett vs. Tommie Barrett.
David Mahlon Lively vs. Betty Jean Lively.
Marie Olsen vs. William C. Olsen Jr.
Ghayn W. Ray vs. Mattie Belle Ray.
Stephen T. Blakeway vs. Sarah Neal Blakeway.
Ora Withcert vs. Beulah Lee Withcert.
Viola Robinson vs. Reuben Robinson.
Melvin Barber vs. Claudie Barber.
Prime Tingle vs. Johnnie Lee Tingle.
Louise Turner vs. Milton Turner.
Mary Lee Whiteside vs. George Whiteside Sr.
Muriel A. Matthews vs. George Wiley Matthews.
Andrew Watkins vs. Carol Watkins.

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Sun, Nov 28, 1948 -Page 59

City Denies Claim For \$57,000 Damage As Result of Crash

City Council Tuesday afternoon denied a \$57,000 damage claim by Mrs. Birdie Shilling, 7008 Myrtle, whose attorneys notified the city that Mrs. Shilling's car was in a collision with a garbage truck near the intersection of Winkler Drive and Southern Street, October 15.

Mrs. Shilling claimed damages of \$50,000 for physical disability and suffering, \$2000 for her car and \$5000 for hospital and doctor bills.

The city legal department reported that the city cannot pay the claim because garbage collection is a governmental function, and the city is barred by state law from paying damages resulting from a governmental function.

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ELEVENTH DISTRICT COURT

Abe Silverman, et al. vs. Ed Canida, et ux. default judgment as per decree.

Ex parte Martha Frizzell, change of name granted.

S. M. Gordon vs. Joe Ferguson, et al. dismissed as per decree.

Birdie Shilling vs. Ray Smith, divorce granted.

H. T. vs. O. P. Minor, divorce dismissed.

The Houston Chronicle
Thu, May 12, 1949 ·Page 66

\$60,000 Awarded

Damages of \$60,000 against the City of Houston were awarded Tuesday by a jury in District Judge William M. Holland's court to Mrs Birdie Shilling, 53, 7008 Myrtle.

Mrs Shilling was injured about 9 AM Oct 15, 1948, when her car was struck by a city garbage truck at Winkler Drive and Southern. She had to be lifted bodily to the witness stand when she testified in the suit.

The jury in its verdict found negligence on the part of the city in that it failed to repair and inspect the brakes of the truck, in that it knew that the driver did not have a state license and on other points.

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10 A SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1950

THE HOUSTON

King Garbage Truck's Crown Tilted After \$60,000 Judgment

The crown of King Garbage Truck has been tilted, if not knocked completely off, and the king seems to be walking—on driving—more softly.

City Garbage Superintendent W. G. Wilson claims that it "ain't so, any of it." In the first place, he doesn't agree with a notion that lots of citizens probably have, that garbage truck drivers used to zoom along, and turn and back up, without paying any attention to what they ran into. He thinks they are careful drivers.

In the second place, he doesn't think the men are being any more careful since a \$60,000 judgment was obtained by Mrs. Birdie Shilling, of 7008 Myrtle, because of injuries she received when her car was in an accident involving a city garbage truck on Winkler Drive at Southern

Street, on October 15, 1948.

The judgment was given in District Judge William Holland's court last December, and the city has appealed the decision.

For many years the collection of garbage has been considered a governmental function, with the city not liable for any damage done to anybody by garbage collectors.

But Judge Holland refused to agree to this, so the judgment was obtained. This obviously is a threat to the immunity garbage trucks have had—to the "King can do no wrong" status they enjoyed. But it will probably be fought to the supreme court.

Of course, citizens could always sue the garbage truck driver, but most of them considered it wasn't much use suing him, since a garbage collector seldom has anything to

pay off with and carries no liability insurance. The city legal department has ruled that it would be illegal for the city to carry liability insurance on garbage truck drivers.

Figures indicate that maybe the drivers are being more careful since the judgment was obtained by Mrs. Shilling.

Since that time—almost three months—there have been only two accidents reported by garbage truck drivers, a little less than one a month.

During the first 11 months of 1949, there were 44 accidents reported to Mr. Wilson by his drivers.

"Just a lull," Wilson said. "We'll probably have as many accidents this year as we had last year. The men have always been careful. I talk to

them about it the first Monday in every month, about driving carefully, and have been doing that for the seven years I've been handling garbage collection."

"Have you talked to them about this \$60,000 judgment against the city?" Mr. Wilson was asked. "I don't remember," he replied. "I may have mentioned it. But the garbage truck driver never has considered himself to be king of the highway."

Heads Mariners

Special to The Chronicle
Rosenberg, Feb. 25.—Hardy Price Mizell, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Mizell of Rosenberg, has been elected sergeant at arms of the Mariners, Naval R. O. T. C. organization, at the University of Texas. Mizell, a freshman, is majoring in social studies.

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STATE OF TEXAS 101-01-1 101-01 CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 4579 #0 92325

1. PLACE OF DEATH
a. 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. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) 7301 Hemlock
e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐
f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Before deceased - and, if institution, residence before admission)
a. COUNTY Harris
b. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) Houston
c. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) 7301 Hemlock
d. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☒ NO ☐
e. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒

3. NAME OF DECEASED
a. First William
b. Middle M.
c. Last Ferguson
d. DATE OF BIRTH November 27, 1972
e. AGE (In years, months, and days) 75
f. UNDER 1 YEAR ☐ 1 YEAR ☐ 2 YEARS ☐ 3 YEARS ☐ 4 YEARS ☐ 5 YEARS ☐ 6 YEARS ☐ 7 YEARS ☐ 8 YEARS ☐ 9 YEARS ☐ 10 YEARS ☐ 11 YEARS ☐ 12 YEARS ☐ 13 YEARS ☐ 14 YEARS ☐ 15 YEARS ☐ 16 YEARS ☐ 17 YEARS ☐ 18 YEARS ☐ 19 YEARS ☐ 20 YEARS ☐ 21 YEARS ☐ 22 YEARS ☐ 23 YEARS ☐ 24 YEARS ☐ 25 YEARS ☐ 26 YEARS ☐ 27 YEARS ☐ 28 YEARS ☐ 29 YEARS ☐ 30 YEARS ☐ 31 YEARS ☐ 32 YEARS ☐ 33 YEARS ☐ 34 YEARS ☐ 35 YEARS ☐ 36 YEARS ☐ 37 YEARS ☐ 38 YEARS ☐ 39 YEARS ☐ 40 YEARS ☐ 41 YEARS ☐ 42 YEARS ☐ 43 YEARS ☐ 44 YEARS ☐ 45 YEARS ☐ 46 YEARS ☐ 47 YEARS ☐ 48 YEARS ☐ 49 YEARS ☐ 50 YEARS ☐ 51 YEARS ☐ 52 YEARS ☐ 53 YEARS ☐ 54 YEARS ☐ 55 YEARS ☐ 56 YEARS ☐ 57 YEARS ☐ 58 YEARS ☐ 59 YEARS ☐ 60 YEARS ☐ 61 YEARS ☐ 62 YEARS ☐ 63 YEARS ☐ 64 YEARS ☐ 65 YEARS ☐ 66 YEARS ☐ 67 YEARS ☐ 68 YEARS ☐ 69 YEARS ☐ 70 YEARS ☐ 71 YEARS ☐ 72 YEARS ☐ 73 YEARS ☐ 74 YEARS ☐ 75 YEARS ☐ 76 YEARS ☐ 77 YEARS ☐ 78 YEARS ☐ 79 YEARS ☐ 80 YEARS ☐ 81 YEARS ☐ 82 YEARS ☐ 83 YEARS ☐ 84 YEARS ☐ 85 YEARS ☐ 86 YEARS ☐ 87 YEARS ☐ 88 YEARS ☐ 89 YEARS ☐ 90 YEARS ☐ 91 YEARS ☐ 92 YEARS ☐ 93 YEARS ☐ 94 YEARS ☐ 95 YEARS ☐ 96 YEARS ☐ 97 YEARS ☐ 98 YEARS ☐ 99 YEARS ☐ 100 YEARS ☐

4. SEX Male
5. COLOR OR RACE White
6. DATE OF BIRTH Feb. 20, 1897
7. AGE (In years, months, and days) 75
8. UNDER 1 YEAR ☐ 1 YEAR ☐ 2 YEARS ☐ 3 YEARS ☐ 4 YEARS ☐ 5 YEARS ☐ 6 YEARS ☐ 7 YEARS ☐ 8 YEARS ☐ 9 YEARS ☐ 10 YEARS ☐ 11 YEARS ☐ 12 YEARS ☐ 13 YEARS ☐ 14 YEARS ☐ 15 YEARS ☐ 16 YEARS ☐ 17 YEARS ☐ 18 YEARS ☐ 19 YEARS ☐ 20 YEARS ☐ 21 YEARS ☐ 22 YEARS ☐ 23 YEARS ☐ 24 YEARS ☐ 25 YEARS ☐ 26 YEARS ☐ 27 YEARS ☐ 28 YEARS ☐ 29 YEARS ☐ 30 YEARS ☐ 31 YEARS ☐ 32 YEARS ☐ 33 YEARS ☐ 34 YEARS ☐ 35 YEARS ☐ 36 YEARS ☐ 37 YEARS ☐ 38 YEARS ☐ 39 YEARS ☐ 40 YEARS ☐ 41 YEARS ☐ 42 YEARS ☐ 43 YEARS ☐ 44 YEARS ☐ 45 YEARS ☐ 46 YEARS ☐ 47 YEARS ☐ 48 YEARS ☐ 49 YEARS ☐ 50 YEARS ☐ 51 YEARS ☐ 52 YEARS ☐ 53 YEARS ☐ 54 YEARS ☐ 55 YEARS ☐ 56 YEARS ☐ 57 YEARS ☐ 58 YEARS ☐ 59 YEARS ☐ 60 YEARS ☐ 61 YEARS ☐ 62 YEARS ☐ 63 YEARS ☐ 64 YEARS ☐ 65 YEARS ☐ 66 YEARS ☐ 67 YEARS ☐ 68 YEARS ☐ 69 YEARS ☐ 70 YEARS ☐ 71 YEARS ☐ 72 YEARS ☐ 73 YEARS ☐ 74 YEARS ☐ 75 YEARS ☐ 76 YEARS ☐ 77 YEARS ☐ 78 YEARS ☐ 79 YEARS ☐ 80 YEARS ☐ 81 YEARS ☐ 82 YEARS ☐ 83 YEARS ☐ 84 YEARS ☐ 85 YEARS ☐ 86 YEARS ☐ 87 YEARS ☐ 88 YEARS ☐ 89 YEARS ☐ 90 YEARS ☐ 91 YEARS ☐ 92 YEARS ☐ 93 YEARS ☐ 94 YEARS ☐ 95 YEARS ☐ 96 YEARS ☐ 97 YEARS ☐ 98 YEARS ☐ 99 YEARS ☐ 100 YEARS ☐

9. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during period of working life, when it existed) Pipefitter
10. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY Local # 211
11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Texas
12. C^o OF WHAT COUNTRY? U.S.A.
13. FATHER'S NAME
14. MOTHER'S MARRIED NAME Ada Resinger
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMY SERVICE? YES ☐ NO ☒
16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.
17. MARRIAGE Mrs. A. R. Shillings
18. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause on line for (a), (b), and (c).)
a. Cerebrovascular Accident
b. Right Hemiplegia
c. Arteriosclerotic Cerebrovascular Disease
19. TIME OF DEATH (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) (aa) (ab) (ac) (ad) (ae) (af) (ag) (ah) (ai) (aj) (ak) (al) (am) (an) (ao) (ap) (aq) (ar) (as) (at) (au) (av) (aw) (ax) (ay) (az) (ba) (bb) (bc) (bd) (be) (bf) (bg) (bh) (bi) (bj) (bk) (bl) (bm) (bn) (bo) (bp) (bq) (br) (bs) (bt) (bu) (bv) (bw) (bx) (by) (bz) (ca) (cb) (cc) (cd) (ce) (cf) (cg) (ch) (ci) (cj) (ck) (cl) (cm) (cn) (co) (cp) (cq) (cr) (cs) (ct) (cu) (cv) (cw) (cx) (cy) (cz) (da) (db) (dc) (dd) (de) (df) (dg) (dh) (di) (dj) (dk) (dl) (dm) (dn) (do) (dp) (dq) (dr) (ds) (dt) (du) (dv) (dw) (dx) (dy) (dz) (ea) (eb) (ec) (ed) (ee) (ef) (eg) (eh) (ei) (ej) (ek) (el) (em) (en) (eo) (ep) (eq) (er) (es) (et) (eu) (ev) (ew) (ex) (ey) (ez) (fa) (fb) (fc) (fd) (fe) (ff) (fg) (fh) (fi) (fj) (fk) (fl) (fm) (fn) (fo) (fp) (fq) (fr) (fs) (ft) (fu) (fv) (fw) (fx) (fy) (fz) (ga) (gb) (gc) (gd) (ge) (gf) (gg) (gh) (gi) (gj) (gk) (gl) (gm) (gn) (go) (gp) (gq) (gr) (gs) (gt) (gu) (gv) (gw) (gx) (gy) (gz) (ha) (hb) (hc) (hd) (he) (hf) (hg) (hh) (hi) (hj) (hk) (hl) (hm) (hn) (ho) (hp) (hq) (hr) (hs) (ht) (hu) (hv) (hw) (hx) (hy) (hz) (ia) (ib) (ic) (id) (ie) (if) (ig) (ih) (ii) (ij) (ik) (il) (im) (in) (io) (ip) (iq) (ir) (is) (it) (iu) (iv) (iw) (ix) (iy) (iz) (ja) (jb) (jc) (jd) (je) (jf) (jg) (jh) (ji) (jj) (jk) (jl) (jm) (jn) (jo) (jp) (jq) (jr) (js) (jt) (ju) (jv) (jw) (jx) (jy) (jz) (ka) (kb) (kc) (kd) (ke) (kf) (kg) (kh) (ki) (kj) (kk) (kl) (km) (kn) (ko) (kp) (kq) (kr) (ks) (kt) (ku) (kv) (kw) (kx) (ky) (kz) (la) (lb) (lc) (ld) (le) (lf) (lg) (lh) (li) (lj) (lk) (ll) (lm) (ln) (lo) (lp) (lq) (lr) (ls) (lt) (lu) (lv) (lw) (lx) (ly) (lz) (ma) (mb) (mc) (md) (me) (mf) (mg) (mh) (mi) (mj) (mk) (ml) (mm) (mn) (mo) (mp) (mq) (mr) (ms) (mt) (mu) (mv) (mw) (mx) (my) (mz) (na) (nb) (nc) (nd) (ne) (nf) (ng) (nh) (ni) (nj) (nk) (nl) (nm) (nn) (no) (np) (nq) (nr) (ns) (nt) (nu) (nv) (nw) (nx) (ny) (nz) (oa) (ob) (oc) (od) (oe) (of) (og) (oh) (oi) (oj) (ok) (ol) (om) (on) (oo) (op) (oq) (or) (os) (ot) (ou) (ov) (ow) (ox) (oy) (oz) (pa) (pb) (pc) (pd) (pe) (pf) (pg) (ph) (pi) (pj) (pk) (pl) (pm) (pn) (po) (pp) (pq) (pr) (ps) (pt) (pu) (pv) (pw) (px) (py) (pz) (qa) (qb) (qc) (qd) (qe) (qf) (qg) (qh) (qi) (qj) (qk) (ql) (qm) (qn) (qo) (qp) (qq) (qr) (qs) (qt) (qu) (qv) (qw) (qx) (qy) (qz) (ra) (rb) (rc) (rd) (re) (rf) (rg) (rh) (ri) (rj) (rk) (rl) (rm) (rn) (ro) (rp) (rq) (rr) (rs) (rt) (ru) (rv) (rw) (rx) (ry) (rz) (sa) (sb) (sc) (sd) (se) (sf) (sg) (sh) (si) (sj) (sk) (sl) (sm) (sn) (so) (sp) (sq) (sr) (ss) (st) (su) (sv) (sw) (sx) (sy) (sz) (ta) (tb) (tc) (td) (te) (tf) (tg) (th) (ti) (tj) (tk) (tl) (tm) (tn) (to) (tp) (tq) (tr) (ts) (tt) (tu) (tv) (tw) (tx) (ty) (tz) (ua) (ub) (uc) (ud) (ue) (uf) (ug) (uh) (ui) (uj) (uk) (ul) (um) (un) (uo) (up) (uq) (ur) (us) (ut) (uu) (uv) (uw) (ux) (uy) (uz) (va) (vb) (vc) (vd) (ve) (vf) (vg) (vh) (vi) (vj) (vk) (vl) (vm) (vn) (vo) (vp) (vq) (vr) (vs) (vt) (vu) (vv) (vw) (vx) (vy) (vz) (wa) (wb) (wc) (wd) (we) (wf) (wg) (wh) (wi) (wj) (wk) (wl) (wm) (wn) (wo) (wp) (wq) (wr) (ws) (wt) (wu) (wv) (ww) (wx) (wy) (wz) (xa) (xb) (xc) (xd) (xe) (xf) (xg) (xh) (xi) (xj) (xk) (xl) (xm) (xn) (xo) (xp) (xq) (xr) (xs) (xt) (xu) (xv) (xw) (xx) (xy) (xz) (ya) (yb) (yc) (yd) (ye) (yf) (yg) (yh) (yi) (yj) (yk) (yl) (ym) (yn) (yo) (yp) (yq) (yr) (ys) (yt) (yu) (yv) (yw) (yx) (yy) (yz) (za) (zb) (zc) (zd) (ze) (zf) (zg) (zh) (zi) (zj) (zk) (zl) (zm) (zn) (zo) (zp) (zq) (zr) (zs) (zt) (zu) (zv) (zw) (zx) (zy) (zz)

Brother William Mack Ferguson (1897-1972) -

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Pr 72
REGISTRATION CARD - (Men born on or after February 17, 1897 and on or before December 31, 1921)

1. NAME (Print)
a. First William Mack
b. Middle Ferguson
c. Last T. 11742

2. PLACE OF BIRTH (Print)
a. City, town, or county 2008 Myrtle St. Houston Texas
b. State Texas

3. MAILING ADDRESS
a. Same
b. (Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same)

4. TELEPHONE
a. Number W 4076
b. Exchange 44
c. DATE OF BIRTH 20 20 1897
d. PLACE OF BIRTH Tenaha Texas

5. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS
a. Name Mrs. Birdie Shillings
b. Address 2008 Myrtle St. Houston Texas

6. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS
a. Name None
b. Address

7. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS
a. Name
b. Address

8. I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.
a. Signature W.M. Ferguson
b. Date DEC. 8, 1972

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REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

RACE	HEIGHT (Approx.)	WEIGHT (Approx.)	COMPLEXION
White	6 ft	160	Bald
	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	Black
Philippine			

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification:
Two middle fingers on left hand off at first joint

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:

Signature of registrar: Mrs. M. N. Kingston
Registrar for Local Board: 12 Harris Texas
Date of registration: Feb 16 1942

Local Board No. 12 Harris County
FEB 16 1942
STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD

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WW I		WW II		KOREA		ORIGINAL	
1. NAME OF DECEASED - LAST - FIRST - MIDDLE (Print or Type)				14. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (City and State)			
Ferguson, William M.				Forest Park, Houston, Texas			
2. SERVICE NO. / SSAN		3. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NUMBER		IMPORTANT - Item 18 on reverse side must be completed. See attached instructions and complete and submit both copies.			
# 38244051		12285720		15. This application is submitted for a stone or marker for the unmarked grave of a deceased member or former member of the Armed Forces of the U. S., soldier of the Union or Confederate Armies of the Civil War or for an unmarked memorial plot for a non-recoverable deceased member. I hereby agree to accept responsibility for proper placement at the grave or memorial plot at no expense to the Government.			
4. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, day, year)		5. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, day, year)		NAME OF APPLICANT (Print or Type)			
10/23/1942		9/7/1943		Mrs. A.R. Shilling			
6. STATE		7. DECORATIONS		RELATIONSHIP			
Texas				Niece			
8. GRADE OR RANK				ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Street address, City, State and ZIP Code)			
Army				14314 Bonney Brier Houston, Texas 77040			
10. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year)		11. DATE OF DEATH (Month, day, year)		SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT		DATE	
Feb. 20, 1897		Nov. 27, 1972		Mrs. A.R. Shilling		12/8/72	
12. RELIGIOUS EMBLEM (Check one)		13. CHECK TYPE REQUIRED		16. FREIGHT STATION			
☒ LATIN CROSS (Christian)		☐ UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE		HOUSTON, TEXAS			
☐ STAR OF DAVID (Jewish)		☒ FLAT MARBLE MARKER		17. NAME OF CONSIGNEE WHO WILL TRANSPORT STONE OR MARKER			
☐ NO EMBLEM		☒ FLAT GRANITE MARKER		6900 Lawndale Avenue, Houston, Texas			
		☐ FLAT BRONZE MARKER		ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE (Street address, City, State and ZIP Code)			
DO NOT WRITE HERE				FOREST PARK CEMETERY			
FOR VERIFICATION		ORDERED		I HAVE AGREED TO TAKE THE STONE OR MARKER TO THE CEMETERY.			
8 FEB 1973		- 5 APR 1973		SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE			
B/L		CONTRACTOR		Edna H Brown			
2-8639754		Hillsboro Mon. Works					
PVT US ARMY WW II							
DD FORM 1330, 1 NOV 62				EDITION OF DEC 61 MAY BE USED			
				APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE OR MARKER			

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/2375/records/3428623>

Serial No. 124-230		Registration No. 150	
1. Name in full		Willie Mo Ferguson	
2. Home address		Timpeon, Texas, Rt 4	
3. Date of birth		Feb. 20th, 1897	
4. Where born		Tenaha, Texas	
5. I am		native	
6. If not a citizen, of what Nation are you a citizen or subject?			
7. Father's birthplace			
8. Name of employer		farmer, self	
9. Name of nearest relative		mother, Mrs. A.A. Ferguson	
10. Address of nearest relative		Timpeon, Texas	
11. Race - White, Negro, Indian, or Oriental		WHITE	
I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.			
P. M. G. O. (Signature of Registrar)			
REGISTRATION CARD.			

12-2-38-8 REGISTRAR'S REPORT 12-2-38-8	
1. Tall Medium Short	tall Medium
2. Color of eyes	Grey
3. Color of hair	Medium dark
Has person lost arm, leg, hand, eye, or is he palpably physically disabled (specify)? First joints two fingers of left hand	
I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge, are true, except as follows:	
J. H. Shotwell (Signature of Registrar)	
JUN 5 1918 (Date of Registration)	
Local Board, County of Shelby, State of Tex.	
(Stamp of Local Board)	
(The stamp of the local board having jurisdiction of the area in which the registrant has his permanent home shall be placed in this box.)	

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/6482/records/17107694>

STATE OF TEXAS *01-00-4 101-13* CERTIFICATE OF DEATH *478X* STATE FILE NO. *63666*

1. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) **JUNIE BELLE BELLAMY** 2. SEX **FEMALE** 3. DATE OF DEATH **JULY 30, 1980**

4. RACE **CAUCASIAN** 5. WAS THE DECEASED OF: (a) YES SPECIFY MEXICAN, SPANISH ORIGIN, ETC. **NO** (b) DATE OF BIRTH **11-4-1899** 6. AGE IN YEARS (a) UNDER 1 YEAR (b) 1 YEAR OR OVER (c) UNDER 24 HRS. (d) 24 HRS. TO 1 YEAR (e) 1 YEAR OR OVER

7. PLACE OF DEATH - COUNTY **HARRIS** 8. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) **WEBSTER** 9. NAME OF (If not in hospital, give street address) **LAKE CARE CENTER** 10. HOSPITAL OR CARE CENTER **LAKE CARE CENTER** 11. ORDER 1 YEAR **YES**

12. MARRIED NEVER MARRIED **MARRIED** 13. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) **TEXAS** 14. CITIZENSHIP (Country) **U.S.A.** 15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? **NO** 16. SURVIVING SPOUSE (If wife, give maiden name) **THOMAS A. BELLAMY**

17. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. **461 18 5352** 18. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life even if retired) **HOUSEWIFE** 19. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY **DOMESTIC**

20. RESIDENCE - STATE **TEXAS** 21. COUNTY **HARRIS** 22. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) **SEABROOK** 23. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) **1873 DOLPHIN** 24. INSIDE CITY LIMITS? **YES**

25. FATHER'S NAME **JOE FERGUSON** 26. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME **ADA BEISINGER** 27. SIGNATURE OF INFORMANT *J. B. Bellamy*

28. IMMEDIATE CAUSE (State only one cause per line for 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100)

29. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO CAUSE GIVEN IN PART 1 (a) **Chronic renal syndrome** (b) **Chronic renal syndrome** (c) **Chronic renal syndrome**

30. AGE, SOURCE, HOW TAKEN, OR PENDING INVESTIGATION **22** 31. DATE OF INQUIRY **11-4-1980** 32. HOUR OF INQUIRY **11** 33. DESCRIBE HOW INQUIRY OCCURRED **11**

34. PLACE OF INQUIRY **22** 35. PLACE OF INQUIRY **22** 36. LOCATION **22** 37. STREET OR R.F. NO. **22** 38. CITY OR TOWN **22** 39. STATE **22**

40. On the basis of the knowledge, death occurred at the time, date, and place and due to the causes stated (Signature and Title) **L.E. Ferguson** 41. On the basis of examination and/or investigation, in my opinion death occurred at the time, date, and place and due to the causes stated (Signature and Title) **L.E. Ferguson**

42. DATE SIGNED (Day, Yr.) **Aug. 1, 1980** 43. SIGNATURE OF DEATH **L.E. Ferguson** 44. NAME OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN (If not present, give name of physician who attended) **L.E. Ferguson** 45. DATE **Aug. 1, 1980**

46. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMAINS (Specify) **BURIAL** 47. LOCATION (City, town, or county) **HOUSTON** 48. STATE **TEXAS** 49. FOREST PARK LAWNDALE CEMETERY **JACK ROWE FUNERAL HOME** 50. SIGNATURE OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR OR PERSON IN CHARGE **OTIS J. SWITZER** 51. SIGNATURE OF VITAL STATISTICS **OTIS J. SWITZER**

52. REGISTRATION FILE NO. **8769** 53. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR **AUG. 7, 1980**

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sister (twin) Junie Belle Ferguson Bellamy (1899-1980) -

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Junie Bellamy

SEABROOK—Funeral services for Junie Belle Bellamy, 1873 Dolphin, will be today at 1 p.m. in the Lake of Woods Chapel, Forest Park Lawndale Funeral Home, the Rev. Stiles Watson officiating.

Burial will follow in Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery, Houston, under direction of Jack Rowe Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bellamy died Wednesday at Coastal Care Center, Webster. She was 80.

Born Nov. 4, 1899 in Tenaha, Texas, Mrs. Bellamy was a housewife. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Seabrook and a former resident of

Houston.

Survivors include her husband, T.A. Bellamy of Seabrook; a son, J.T. Bellamy of Houston; two daughters, Doris Clay of Seabrook and Marguerite Taylor of Houston; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Bellamy's grandchildren will serve as pallbearers.

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

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

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Jodie M. Ferguson

Name variations: Jodel M. Ferguson (on Tuscania passenger list)

Military:

On Tuscania: Camp Travis Det. 2, Casuals - private

Serial number: 251,530

Entered service from: Timpson, Shelby TX

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Jodel M. Ferguson

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": mother Mrs. Ada Ferguson, Timpson [sic/Timpson] TX

Body returned from war on: "Crook" leaving Antwerp, Belgium, 18 Dec 1921

Body listed on return ship as: Jodie M. Ferguson

Rank: pvt, Co. L, 9th Inf

World War I draft registration (1917): as Jodie Ferguson - b. 6 Jan 1888 Tenaha TX; res: Gary, Shelby TX. Farming for self. Mother dependent on him. Medium height & build.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Born 6 Jan 1888 – died 6 Jun 1918

No enlistment or discharge date

Address: Timpson TX

Rank/unit: Co. G, 9th InfantryTX, WWI Military Record:

Jodie M. Ferguson, serial 251530, resident of Gary, Shelby TX. Inducted at Center TX on 19 Sep 1917 at age 29 years 9 months. In Co. A, 15th Battalion, 165th Depot Brigade to 31 Mar 1918 – in Co. 6, 2nd Battalion, 1 Tng. Regiment DD 1st Corps to 17 Apr 1918 – in Co. L, 9th Infantry to death. Rank: private. In Battle of the Aisne. Overseas 24 Jan 1918 to 6 Jun 1918. Died of wounds 6 Jun 1918.

Notified of death: mother Mrs. Ada Ferguson of Timpson TX

Birth & death:

Born: 6 Jan 1888 Tenaha/Joaquin Co. TX

Died: 8 Jun 1918 France (early reports said severely wounded, then changed to died of wounds)

Find A Grave record: 28558107, presence on Tuscania indicated in flower.

A request to change the incorrect text – that he was injured on the Tuscania on 3 Jun 1918 – was not done by the site's contributor when it was requested two times, the second time on 16 Oct 2020.

Burial location: Joaquin, Shelby TX

Cemetery: Joaquin

Tombstone: tombstone: He Died in the Service of His Country

Father: Joseph A. (Joe) Ferguson, Mar 1861 LA – 1900 Joaquin, Shelby TX.

Son of Joel Brisbane Ferguson Sr. (1817-1881, F: 47983846) & Mary Ann (Polly) Short (1825-1866, F: 121251195).

Buried in Joaquin Cemetery, Joaquin, Shelby TX.

Find A Grave: 32658370

Mother: Ada A. Risinger Ferguson, 4 Mar 1868 Tenaha, Shelby TX – 1940 (date on tombstone, but 1 Jun 1941 Houston, Harris TX on TX death certificate & in “Houston Post” Monday 2 Jun 1941 p 3 obituary).

Daughter of Leroy McDuffy Risinger & Julia Ann Wise [also found as Miles & Rize).

Died at her home at 7008 Myrtle in Houston TX at age 74 years, 2 months, 28 days, of coronary thrombosis. A widow who worked as a domestic. Death certificate gives birth as 4 Mar 181867 [sic] Tenaha TX.

Buried in Joaquin Cemetery, Joaquin, Shelby TX.

Find A Grave: 32658319

Parents’ marriage: 20 Nov 1884 Shelby Co. TX

Spouse:

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage:

Children:

Siblings: Jodie was the 2nd-oldest child

- **Carrie Lee Ferguson Hollis**, 6 Dec 1885 Tenaha, Shelby T [6 Dec 1888 on tombstone, but she is the oldest child, and Jodie was the 2nd child, born 1888] – 19 Dec 1973 Harris Co. TX. - Wife of Fox Henry Henderson Hollis (1879-1965, F: 159962406) whom she married 14 Dec 1905 in Shelby Co. TX. – Died of a cardiovascular accident. - Buried in San Jacinto Memorial Park, Houston, Harris TX. F: 159962629
- **May Carmen Ferguson Rogers**, May 1890 (1900 census) or May 1900 (Find A Grave) Shelby Co. TX – 1914 Center, Shelby TX. - Wife of Porter Field Rogers (1883-1972, F: 120322418) with whom she had a daughter, Hazel Alice Rogers (later Riley) (1911-1960, F: 120322381). Porter’s surname sometimes is spelled Rodgers. He is buried as Porter F. Rogers in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX. – May Rogers is buried in Joaquin Cemetery, Joaquin, Shelby TX. F: 84290334
- **Dovie Ferguson**, Sep 1892 TX (1900 census) - . – Alive as of the 1910 census, conducted 28 Apr 1910. Not mentioned in her mother’s Jun 1941 obituary.
- **Birdie Grace Ferguson Shilling Lee, reverted to Shilling**, 5 Jun 1895 Tenaha, Shelby TX – 2 Jul 1972 Houston, Harris TX. - Wife of Marcus Eugene Shilling (1888-1936, F: 65719468) whom she married in 1913. – Birdie Grace Shilling obtained a marriage license in Houston, Harris TX with Ray Smith in Nov 1942. Divorce action was filed Nov 1948 in the same location & was granted May 1949, also in Houston, Harris TX. In the interim between obtaining the marriage license & the divorce, she appears in newspaper articles with the surname Shilling. - Died of pancreatic cancer. - Buried in Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX. F: 65719467
- **William Mack Ferguson**, 20 Feb 1897 (Jan 1897 in 1900 census) Tenaha, Shelby TX – 27 Nov 1972 Houston, Harris TX. - Was a private in the US Army in WWII. - Pipefitter. Died at 7301

Hemlock, Houston TX of a cerebrovascular accident. – Never married. - Buried in Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX. F: 65719334

- **Junie Belle (Jesse Junia) Ferguson Bellamy**, 4 Nov 1899 Tenaha, Shelby TX (twin of Julia) – 30 Jul 1980 Webster, Harris TX. - Wife of Thomas Allen Bellamy (1898-1981, F: 657192801) whom she married in 1919 in TX. - Obituary: “Galveston (TX) Daily News” 1 Aug 1980 p 4 – Funeral for Junie Belle Bellamy, 1873 Dolphin, Seabrook TX will be held today at Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery, followed by interment. Died Wed., 30 Jul 1980 at the Coastal Care Center in Webster TX. Housewife. Formerly a Houston resident. Survived by husband T.A. Bellamy of Seabrook, 1 son, 2 daughters. No siblings listed. - Buried in Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery, Houston, Harris TX. F: 65719279
- **Julia Ann Ferguson**, 4 Nov 1899 Tenaha, Shelby TX [twin of Junie/Jesse] – 1911. - Buried in Joaquin Cemetery, Joaquin, Shelby TX. F: 84283527

Notes:

Family tree at: <https://ancestors.familysearch.org/en/LXMQ-NNX/junie-belle-ferguson-1899-1980>

Wartime:

“Austin (TX) American” 10 Feb 1918 p 1 – listed as a Tuscania survivor: Jodel M. Ferguson, Timpson TX

“El Paso (TX) Herald” 17 Jun 1918 p 2 – on the casualty list today: severely wounded – Jodie M. Ferguson, Timpson TX

Post-war:

Obituary:

Censuses:

1900 Joaquin, Shelby TX – date census was conducted not filled in, has printed-on-form date of Jun 1900 – Joseph died in 1900

Joseph A. Ferguson, 39 LA, Mar 1861, father b. LA, mother b. MS, married 15 years, farmer

Ada, 32 TX, Mar 1868, parents b. AL, gave birth to 8 children, 8 are living

Cassie, 14 TX, Dec 1885 [Carrie]

Jodie, 12 TX, Jan 1888

May, 10 TX, May 1890

Dovie, 7 TX, Sep 1892

Bertie, 5 TX, Jan 1895 [Birdie]

Willie M., 3 TX, Jan 1897

Jessie/Jessee, 0 TX, Nov 1899 [Junie] [twin sister of Julia]

Julia, 0 TX, Nov 1899 [twin sister of Jessie]

1910 Justice Precinct 3, Hunt Co. TX – conducted 28 Apr 1910

Ada Ferguson, 42 TX, widow, father b. AL, mother b. SC, farmer, general farming, gave birth to 8 children, 8 are living

Jodie, 22 TX, farmer, home farm

Dovie, 17 TX

Bertie, 15 TX

Willie, 12 TX

Julia, 10 TX

Junia, 10 TX

[for the children: father b. MS, mother b. TX]

On the same page is the entry for May Ferguson Rogers (Ada's daughter) & her husband Porter F. Rogers. Her age is 19, b. TX. They have 2 children & have been married 6 years.

1920 – Jodie was dead

1920 Justice Precinct 7, Shelby Co. TX – conducted 21-23 Apr 1920

Ada Ferguson, 52 TX, father b. AL, mother b. SC, widow, farmer, general farm

Willie Ferguson, 23 TX, father b. MS, mother b. TX, single [son]

Hazel R. Rogers, 8 TX, parents b. TX [granddaughter]

Madie Rogers, 5 TX, parents b. TX [granddaughter]

1930 Precinct 2, Harris Co. TX – conducted 4 Apr 1930 – line 99

Ada Ferguson, 62 TX, father b. AL, mother b. TX, age 17 at 1st marriage, widow

Hazel, 19 TX, parents b. TX, single [granddaughter]

Madie, 16 TX, parents b. TX, single [granddaughter]

1940 Houston, Harris TX – his mother, brother, sister – same place in 1935 – conducted 30 Apr 1940

Bertie C. Shilling, 45 TX, widow [head of household]

J. Mayfield Shilling, 21 TX, single, inspector, building material company [son]

Ada A. Ferguson, 72 TX, widow [mother]

William M. Ferguson, 43 TX, single, owner, filling station [brother]