**COLLINS, INFANT**

Died February 28. 1910

Tombstone states daughter of Robert C. & Florence (Doyle) Collins born February 22, 1910. She was five days old

**NANCY COX**

Died March 13, 1910

EL RENO DAILY AMERICAN - MARCH 15, 1910

Nancy Mull Cox was born in Morgantown, GA., in 1830 and died March 13, 1910 at the home of her son, J. M. Cox, five miles northeast of El Reno. Until the year 1875 she lived in Georgia, when she moved to Arkansas where she resided until five years ago. During the past five years she has lived near Prague and El Reno, Okla. She was married to G. G. (Giles G.) in 1848, who died February 8, 1901 *(buried Hindsville, Madison Co., Ark., at Vaughan-Whitener Cemetery).* To this union were born nine children; four of whom are still living.

Mrs. Cox was a consistent and devoted member of the Baptist church for more than fifty years. On January first she was taken with a severe attack of pneumonia from which she never recovered. Interment was made Monday afternoon in the Richland cemetery.

**BENSON FUNERAL HOME** - El Reno, Oklahoma.

Nancy Cox, age 80, died March 13, 1910, 6 miles in country. Funeral held at the home, interment at Frisco Cemetery. Cause of death was Small Pox.

**Additional Info**: From family: Nancy was born Nov. 4, 1830 in Monroe County, Tenn. Mother of Athea Parks, Elizabeth Tucker, Andrew Cox, Mary Beasley, Alice Cox, Arminda Cox, Rufus Cox, Alsey Cox, Joseph Monroe Cox, and.Harriett Cox.

**INFANT FAY COX**

Died March 16, 1910

**No obituary found:** According to family this was an infant child of Joseph Monroe and Abi Hazel Cox. They lived in Reno Township on the 1910 Census.

**FREDERICK FEIL**

PIEDMONT PRESS - April 1, 1910

Mr. Fred Feils, who lived west of Piedmont died of consumption last Friday and was buried Saturday.

**Additional Info**: He is unmarked but family state he was buried at Frisco and he is listed as owner of the North ½ of Lot 45 in Section 2. Frederick Wilhelm Feil was born September 26, 1844 in Germany. He came to America in 1870. He married Sarah E Williams in Canadian County, Sep 15 1897. Children listed on the 1900 census are step-son Theodore B. Williams, son John H. Feil and daughter Rose L. Feil. Both children were born in Oklahoma. In the 1910 census his wife is listed as Emily a widow with children: John H., Mary J., Floyd F. Freddie, and a 4 month old child unnamed.

**ROY PAZOURECK**

Died June 5, 1910

**No obituary found**. Roy was born August 27, 1898. The 1910 Canadian County Census list Roy age 11, born in Oklahoma with his parents Frank J. an Callie L. His brothers and sisters were: William, Earnest, Joseph, Lillie B. Frank, Anna D. and Albert L. Pazoureck.

**JOHNNIE GRIFFIN**

Died July 22, 1910

The infant of R. B. Griffin died near Richland Friday of Whooping Cough and pneumonia.

**Additional Info:** Johnnie was born December 23, 1906 in Oklahoma. He was the son of Richard B. and Sarah May Griffin. He was survived by sisters, Anna Lawson, Alverda Chance, brothers, Jesse, Nova, George, Willie, Lloyd, Ray and Earl Griffin.

**VERONA NASH**

Died August 17, 1910

**No obituary found:** Born November 27, 1909. Verona may have been the daughter of James and Amanda Nash who lived in Frisco Twp on the 1900 Canadian County Federal Census.

**L. D. PARTCH**

EL RENO AMERICAN - October 12, 1910

L. D. Partch, known as Grandpa Partch, died Thursday morning at 6 a.m. The burial took place Friday at 2 p.m. with a large circle of friends and neighbors present.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Partch from Concordia, Kansas, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Partch's brother, Mr. DeLong. They came to attend the funeral of Mr. Partch's father.

**Additional Info:** He may be buried at Frisco unmarked on the same lot as his daughter Hattie Fitzgerald. The 1910 Frisco Twp census list Lucius D. Partch, Sr. Age 77, living with Lucius D. Partch, Jr. He was born in Vermont. Mr. Partch lived in Clayton County Iowa when Hattie was born, then moved to Kansas before coming to Oklahoma.

**MADGE PICKERING**

EL RENO AMERICAN - October 19, 1910

Miss Madge Pickering died of typhoid fever Tuesday morning. Funeral and interment took place at Frisco cemetery.

**Additional Info:** She was the daughter of William and Sue Pickering, born October of 1892 in Oklahoma according to the 1900 Federal Census in Canadian County.

**KATHERINE SELLERS**

Died March 21, 1911

The 1890 census shows Catherine, as a boarder living with J. T. and Margaret Black. The 1900 census list Katherine a widow, head of household, born April 1831 in Tennessee. Her tombstone states she was born August 5, 1836. The census states she was mother of four children, but only one living in 1900. Living with her was a granddaughter Mary Black. The 1910 census, Katherine is listed in the household of Thomas & Rosie Emmerson as grandmother. Turner funeral home records show she died at Piedmont aged 74 yrs. 7 mo. 16da. She was a Methodist and Rev. Fisher preached her funeral at 3:00 p.m. on March 22, 1911. Her daughter Margaret Black is buried beside her at the cemetery.

**FLORENCE RUTH HARRISON**

According to family Florence was a stillborn infant who died between 1900 and 1910. She is buried on the Frederick Feil Lot.

**IDA M. NILES**

EL RENO AMERICAN - October 6, 1911

Mrs. Ida M. Niles, wife of W. E. Niles, died Thursday evening, October 5th at their home at Cereal, Canadian county Oklahoma of cancer. The deceased had been ill for a period of nine months. She was born in Franklin County, Ohio and was 52 years of age at the time of her death. She had lived in Canadian County with her husband and family during the past twelve years. Her husband and two sons, both residents of this county, survive her. Funeral service will be held at the Frisco church Sunday and friends and relatives will assemble at the residence at 12:00 o’clock of that day.

October 13, 1911 - Ida M. Grovenberry was born in Franklin County, Ohio March 9th 1859 and died at Cereal, Okla., October 5, 1911, aged 52 years, 6 months and 26 days.

In the year 1869 her parents moved to Linn county, Kansas and later to Clay county, Kansas, where her father homesteaded land and the family grew up.

September 30, 1877 she became the wife of William E. Niles. Two of the four sons constituting the family, are still living and reside in Canadian County. In 1891 the Niles family removed to Oklahoma and settled in Frisco, in this county. While at Frisco, Mrs. Niles engaged in mercantile business for a period of two years, after this they settled on their farm where they made their home until 1901, when they took up residence in Cereal and again engaged in business.

Mrs. Niles was appointed to the office of Postmistress when the office was established at Cereal. This office she held until July 9, of this year, when failing health caused her to resign. Her last illness was a long and

painful one covering a period of the last twelve months. Last January was spent in the El Reno sanitarium. The last two months she was confined to the house almost entirely. Death came as a release from pain and suffering.

It was a great company of relatives and friends which assembled at Cereal Sunday afternoon, October 8th to accompany the remains to the old church at Frisco and to express sympathy and interest for the family.

At Frisco the procession was met by the friends and neighbors of the early days.

Everything of the occasion suggested the esteem and friendship the people felt for Mrs. Niles -- it was a great tribute to the life that had been lived in the communities, but which was now brought to its close in death.

After appropriate services conducted by the Rev. T.J.H. Taggart of the First Methodist Episcopal church of El Reno, the casket containing all that was mortal of this good woman was lowered to its last rest in Frisco cemetery.

The family is keenly appreciative of the kindness of their many friends during the long illness and death of their beloved, and here record their feeling of its helpfulness and thank one and all for any and every effort which proved so beneficial.

**Additional info:** The 1900 census list the following children: Sons Vannera A. and Aubrey O.

**LUCY LEMONS**

PEOPLES PRESS - 13 OCT 1911

Lucie, the infant daughter of Mr and Mrs. Lemons who live near Richland, died yesterday morning. Funeral services will be held at 3 o’clock this afternoon at the Frisco church. Interment will take place in the Frisco cemetery.

**Additional Info:** Lucy was born November 23, 1910 and died October 11, 1911. She was the daughter of James and Cynthia (Akins) Lemons. Her father was barber at Richland during this time period.

**ELIZABETH WINKLE**

Died December 22, 1911

. **Born Jan 19, 1855.**

*“Death and Funeral Records of Canadian County -*

*Yukon Chapter of the DAR”*

**Undertaker’s Certificate of Death -**

**Bureau of Vital Statistics - Guthrie, OK**

I hereby certify that the body of: Mrs Elizabeth Winkle, white female, married died at Richland, OK was buried at Frisco Cemetery. Date of Death: Dec 22, 1911.

I last saw her alive on the 1st day of December 1911. Cause of Death: Valvular Heart Disease. Contributory: Nephritis Dropsy

Signed C. Stilwell, M.D. Piedmont, Canadian County. 1/7/1912.

G. C. Turner, undertaker, Yukon, Canadian County 1/15/1912

**Additional Info:** She was the wife of E. N. Winkle.

**MARGARET (PENNISTEN) SPARGUR**

Died 1911

According to the obituary of her husband, W. W. Spargur who died in October 1914, she died in the year of 1911. She is not marked so may have been buried elsewhere.

**LAVELLE MARIE DAVIS**

Died January 3, 1912

This information came from the “*Yukon DAR Death and Funeral Book”*

Lavelle Marie Davis born in Illinois, age 3 yrs. 3 mo, 27 da. Place of burial at Frisco Cemetery. She was buried January 5, 1912. N. E. Ruhl, M. D. of Piedmont listed cause of Death as Spasmodic Croup and edema of the glottis. G. C. Turner, Undertaker **(Unmarked)**

**BOY DAVIS**

EL RENO AMERICAN - February 2, 1912

The ten year old son of Mr and Mrs Frank Davis died Friday morning and laid to rest in the Frisco cemetery. The little boy suffered with Diphtheria and being under quarantine there was no public funeral services held. Another and the last one left this stricken family is very low with the same disease but have some hope for its recovery. Mr and Mrs Davis certainly have the sympathy of the entire neighborhood. **(Unmarked)**

**RACHEL A. BRADFORD**

THE PEOPLES PRESS - April 20, 1912

Rachel A. Bradford died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Bunch near Richland, April 17.

Mrs. Bradford was the mother of twelve children, eight of whom are still living. They are Nancy J. Hawkins, Thos. J. Bradford, Mrs. Elizabeth Bunch, Mrs. Stella Ferguson, Mrs. Anne Bunch, Geo. Bradford, Albert Bradford and Mrs. Alice Laughlin.

A brother also survives her, Mr. Joseph M. Pummill.

Interment took place in Frisco cemetery Friday, April 19th, Rev. R. R. Shoemaker of El Reno conducting the service.

**LEVI EAKLE**

**No obituary found:** His tombstone states:

Born 19 Mar 1878 - Died 26 Aug 1912. Levi Eakle is found on the 1910 Federal census living in Beaver County, Oklahoma. Age 32 born 1878 in Illinois, father born in Kentucky, mother born in Illinois. He is living with the Willis Mitchell family and listed as a helper in their general merchandise farm store. He is buried on the same lot as Mary Lindsay and may have been a relative.

**ELIZABETH REYNOLDS**

**No obituary found**: She was born 6 October 1848 and Died 15 October 1912. Elizabeth was the mother of Samantha A. Smith, wife of Josiah Smith. Josiah was the son of James & Eliza Jane Smith who are buried in Sec 4, Lot 13. Josiah and Samantha moved from here to Wheeler, Texas between 1920 and 1930.

The 1900 Canadian County census list Elizabeth in the household of Joe and Lou Reynolds. She is listed as a widow, born October 1848 in Kentucky. She was the mother of six children, five living at the time. The 1910 census list Elizabeth in the household of Josiah and Samantha A. Smith, listed as Mother-in-Law.

**ELIZA SMITH**

EL RENO AMERICAN - October 17, 1912

Mrs. Eliza Smith, an aged and highly respected woman of Yukon, died at that place Monday morning. She was a native of Tennessee, having been born in 1839. She was a member of the Baptist church and she is survived by her husband and seven children. The funeral service was conducted Tuesday.

**Additional Info:** She was wife of James Smith. Children were Josiah, Sarah, Mary, William Jeremiah, Edward, Elizabeth and Andrew Jackson Smith as listed on the 1900 census.

**ELIZA OARD**

**No obituary found**: Born 1837 - Died 1912. The 1910 Federal Census Reno Twp, Elizabeth Oard is listed as mother-in-law living with William D. and Martha A. Allen. She was born in England, age 73 a widow and mother of five children, two were living in 1910.

**CLAUD McGRANAHAN**

EL RENO AMERICAN - December 12, 1912

C. H. McGranahan, the 22 year old son of Jno. McGranahan of Piedmont died today in an Oklahoma City hospital from injuries received two weeks ago, while riding a motorcycle in that city. Young McGranahan was a professional rider of some note, having won many racing events but in order to avoid colliding with an automobile, he made a quick turn on his motorcycle which threw him against the curbing, causing unconsciousness for several days and today resulted in his death. John McGranahan is one of the pioneers of Canadian county, having lived near El Reno some thirty years. The funeral will take place tomorrow, the body to be interred in the Frisco cemetery.

**SAMUEL FULLER and JANE FULLER**

THE YUKON SUN - MARCH 28, 1913

Mr Samuel Fuller aged 85 years, 3 months and 23 days; Mrs Nancy Jane Fuller, aged 81 years, 1 month and 16 days.

Mr. Fuller died Friday morning, March 21, Mrs. Fuller dying the evening of the same day at 10 p.m. their deaths being only 14 hours apart.

Mr. Fuller was born in Pennsylvania, October 28, 1827; Mrs. Fuller was born in New York, February 3, 1832. Mr. and Mrs. Fuller lived with their son and wife one and three-quarters miles northeast of Richland.

**Additional info:** From family - Samuel and Jane came to Oklahoma from Chicago Heights, Illinois.

**NANCY “BELT” MERICLE**

**No obituary found:** Family research shared - Nancy was born April 17, 1826 in Indiana to Asa & Betty (Garrison) Belt. She married Anthony Warren Mericle on October 26, 1843 in Decatur County, Indiana. They made the “Run of 1889: homesteading land in the Frisco Twp east of Richland.

Nancy went blind in later life, but still managed to do her housework, even sewing. She is believed to have died Mar 1, 1913 at about 88 years of age.

Children known to family: Mary Malicia, Henry Albert, John Belt, Susana Elizabeth, Katherine Harriett, Lydia Caroline, George Warren, James Francis, Ulysses Grant, Eliza Jane.

**ORA PEDDICORD**

FRISCO NEWS - 2 MAY 1913

Mr Petticord died last Saturday at his father-in-law’s home, Mr. E. Little. He leaves a wife and five small children to mourn his loss.

**The Yukon DAR Funeral Record Book**: Orien Price Petticord died of Tuberculosis at Piedmont, he was married. The date of funeral was April 28, 1913. He was aged 39 years 6 months, 3 days. (His tombstone states he was born October 23, 1873.) The funeral was held at the Frisco Church and Elmer L. Little was the person responsible. The Canadian County marriage book by the DAR states Ora Pedicord married Maud Little, April 12, 1898.

**P. W. STEINER**

EL RENO DAILY DEMOCRAT - August 5, 1913

P. W. Steiner was born in Wayne county, Ohio, May 2, 1831, died at the home of his daughter, Senereta E. Upton in Magazine, Ark., August 1, 1913 after an illness of three months. He was converted in the M. E. Church when 25 years of age and was always an ardent worker and a leader in the song services for many years. Just before the end of this life he became conscious for some time and knew the loved ones whom he was soon to leave. He talked of the beautiful haven of rest and sang so beautifully “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing My Great Redeemers Praise.” He leaves one son and two daughters, C. L. Steiner, of Corydon, IA., Mrs. Senereta Upton of Magazine, Ark and Mrs. George D. Haworth of this city and many friends to mourn his loss.

**MELVIN SCHEIN**

Died September 14, 1913

No Obituary found: Melvin was born August 13, 1913, was the son of Otto & Anna Schein. He was one month old.

**CANZADA HILLARD**

Died 1913

**No obituary found:** The 1900 census list Canzeda age 39 born August of 1860 (her tombstone states she was born in 1851.) born in Texas. She was living with her husband James Hillard. She was the Mother of three children all living. Children listed on the census were Edie, Sarah E., and James W.

**FRANK TRCH**

Died January 11, 1914

**No obituary found**: Frank was born August 11, 1913 to Anton & Emma Trch. He died at age 5 months.

**SPENCER KENNEDY**

**OBITUARY -** DIED January 24, 1914

Spencer Kennedy, son of Mathew and Katherine (nee Hyde) was born in Lawrence county Penna. October 7th 1839 died January 24, 1914 at the home of his niece near the Head School House, Canadian county, Okla., age 74 years 3 months and 17 days. Leaves to mourn two brothers, Samuel at the Soldier’s home in Marshalltown, Iowa and John H., Postmaster at Sanjon, N. M. two sisters, Mrs. Austin, San Diego, Cal., and Mrs E. C. Criss, Okarche, Oklahoma

He emigrated with his parents to Iowa in 1854 thence to Nebraska, where he took up a claim. He removed to Canadian county in 1900. This has been his home with the exception of six years spent in California every since that time.

He united with the M. E. church at Andrew, Iowa at 18 years of age. At the time of his death he held his membership in the M. E. church at Holdredgt, Neb. He was a devoted and earnest Christian gentleman. He was an active Christian worker and was Sunday school superintendent a number of years.

He was never married. He made his home at different times with his brother, James and family and his sister Mrs. Criss and niece, Mrs. Sing.

Interment was made in the Frisco cemetery. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Belen Weikel, pastor of the Richland United Evangelical church.

**EUGENE LECHTENBERGER**

Died March 24, 1914

**No obituary found:** Eugene Harold Lechtenberger was Born November 12, 1913 to W. H. and Minnie Lechtenberger. He was aged 3 months.

**MARY ELIZABETH COLLINS**

Died March 1914

**No obituary found**: Mary Elizabeth died at birth. She was the daughter of Thomas C. and Bessie Ann (Warner) Collins.

**IVA MAE ENKE**

Died 13 June 1914

**No obituary found:** Researched records and found this information.

Iva Mae, according to tombstone, was born Oct 14, 1887. Her parents were Marshall and Ada U. Burton according to the 1900 United States census of Lawrence County Missouri. Iva married Jesse Enke the son of Argalia and Martha Enke at Greenfield, Dade county, Missouri on May 1, 1905.

The 1910 census shows Ida Mae and Jesse Enke living at Ozark, Barton County, Missouri. They had three children, Willard, Wilbern and unnamed girl infant.

On the 1910 census, Canadian County, Oklahoma, John and Rosie Lively were living in Reno Twp. Living with them was Argalia Enke listed as Father-in-law of John.

Sometime between 1910 and 1914, Jesse, Ida Mae and children came to Canadian County. Possibility Ida was ill and Jesse needed help with his young family, or he came here to find work

After Iva Mae died, Jesse returned to Ozark, Missouri and married her sister Bessie Burton. Jesse was a widower with three small children to raise and that was an unspoken tradition in those days for a brother or sister to take care of family of a deceased sibling.

**GRANT MILLER**

YUKON SUN - July 3, 1914

At 10 A.M. the pastor conducted the funeral services of Grant Miller at the home of his father-in-law Mr. Hiram Thomason, one mile south and three miles west of Richland. The services were concluded at the old Frisco church and interment made in the Frisco cemetery.

The deceased was born in Kentucky, May 13, 1872 and died at his home in Roswell, New Mexico, June 25, 1914, aged 42 years, 1 month and 12 days.

Leaves to mourn his loving and devoted wife, 5 children and 2 brothers an three sisters. He was a member of the Church of God. The floral tributes were many and the attendance was very large.

BELDEN WEIKEL, PASTOR

**OLIVE LOUETTA GRIFFIN**

EL RENO AMERICAN - September 17, 1914

Olive Louetta Griffin, infant daughter of James & Pearl (nee Halbert) Griffin, born August 27, 1914, died September 8, 1914. She was buried in the Old Frisco cemetery. May God comfort the hearts of the sorrowing parents.

**INFANT BABY LIVELY**

YUKON WEEKLY - OCT 2, 1914

The ten months ol baby of Mr an Mrs John Lively who live on the Jackson place, two miles south of Richland died Saturday, September 26th 1914 and was buried Sunday afternoon in the old Frisco Cemetery.

The services were conducted by Rev. Belden Weikel, of the Richland United Evangelical Church. Rev. Depew from Piedmont, assisted at the grave.

**INFANT SON GRIFFIN**

EL RENO AMERICAN - July 15, 1915

The infant son of Mr and Mrs Will Griffin died Wednesday and was brought here Thursday for interment in the cemetery south of Richland.

**WILLIAM SPARGUR**

YUKON SUN - 24 OCT 1914

W. W. Spargur died at his home near Kremlin, Okla., on Sunday, October 18th. The cause of his death was due to paralysis of the heart, being sick only a week. He is well known in and around Yukon, having lived here with his son J. W. Spargur, and daughter, Mrs. Ike Davis, who lives three and one half miles northwest of Yukon. Just recently he went to Kremlin where his son, J. A. Spargur resides, for a short visit and although he had been feeble for some time, it was not thought that his condition was critical. The body was brought to Yukon and the funeral held at the Baptist church Tuesday, October 20. He leaves eight children, two brothers and one sister to mourn him. The children are A. W. Spargur of Kremlin, C. V. Spargur, Ayr, Ia., Mrs. E. A. Carver of Chicago, Ill., Mrs. O. E. Haskins of Sheridan, Ia., Mrs. Isaac Davis, Mrs. Steve Cromwell and J. W. Spargur of Yukon. The brothers are Allen of Pleasanton, Ia., Thos. Spargur of Hillsboro, Ohio and his sister Mrs. Mary McCall, Hillsboro, Ohio.

W. W. Spargur was born near Hillsboro, Ohio January 20, 1831 where he lived and was united in marriage to Mary Anna Beavers in the year of 1851. To this union nine children, five boys and four girls were born. He removed with his family to Decatur county, Illinois in the year of 1870 where his wife died in the year 1875. He was remarried to Margaret Pennisten in the year 1878 who died in the year 1911. To this union a daughter was born. In the year 1904 he removed to Oklahoma where he lived until death. He was a member of the Universalist church and a bible scholar.

**MARY RIEDE**

Died November 25, 1914

**No obituary found.** The 1890 census list Mary with her husband John. She was born May 14, 1842 in Austria. The census shows she came to the United States at age five and came to Oklahoma in 1889. Children living with them were Ben H. born in Ill. Matilda, Rosie and Frank W. born in Wisconsin.

On the 1900 census Mary is listed as a widow, head of household living with two sons. Her husband John died between 1890 and 1900. Daughter Rosa died in 1893 and is buried beside her mother. There is no marker at the cemetery for John but he is probably buried by Mary.

**THOMAS W. DOYLE**

Died December 10, 1914

**No obituary found:** Thomas Walter Doyle was born May 16, 1899 to John Butler and Mary M. Doyle.

According to the *Undertaker’s Certificate of Death from Yukon DAR Funeral and Death book,* Thomas was born at Yukon, Oklahoma and buried at Frisco Cemetery December 19 1914. John Turner, Undertaker.

**INFANT SON GRIFFIN**

EL RENO AMERICAN - JUL 15, 1915

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Will Griffin died Wednesday and was brought here Thursday for interment in the cemetery south of Richland.

**Additional Info:** Son of Willie and Ardna (Delong) Griffin.

**WALLACE MINGOS**

EL RENO AMERICAN - September 1, 1915

The late Wallace Mingos, who was injured four weeks ago in a runaway died Friday morning and was laid to rest in the old Frisco cemetery Saturday afternoon the Odd Fellows having charge of the services. Mr. Mingos was one of the earliest settlers in this community and was highly respected to all who knew him. Deceased was an '89er and came from Pennsylvania. He was postmaster at old Frisco during the early days. He was a christian gentleman of splendid traits of character and those who survive have the sympathy of the entire neighborhood.

**GILBERT HALL**

EL RENO AMERICAN - October 7, 1915

Mr and Mrs F. H. Hall and family attended the funeral of their little grandson, Gilbert Marcellus Hall who was buried Saturday in the Frisco cemetery. The child was a son of R. J. Hall, who resides east of El Reno.

**MR. HANCOCK**

THE YUKON SUN - December 3, 1915

The people of Richland and community were greatly shocked to learn of the death of Mr. Hancock, one of the pioneers of this neighborhood, Tuesday morning. It seems that he was in his usual health Monday, but about supper time complained of feeling badly and although medical assistance was summoned and all possible done for him he passed away Tuesday morning. The bereaved family have the sympathy of the entire community in this their sad bereavement.

**DEATH OF W. T. HANCOCK**

Wadsworth Thompson Hancock, aged 55 years of the Frisco neighborhood, died Tuesday morning after a very short illness. Mr. Hancock was feeling alright Monday morning, but toward evening had a little spell and death came at six o’clock Tuesday morning. He had been suffering from diabetes for years and in poor health. From all appearances he was getting better and his sudden demise was a great shock to his family and neighborhood. The direct cause of his death was attributed to neuralgia of the heart.

Mr. Hancock was well known by everybody in his neighborhood and around Yukon. He has lived near Frisco for years and was highly respected and well thought of by all his neighbors.

**Additional info**: The 1910 census list Wadie T. Hancock, age 50 born Missouri married to Elizabeth in 1897. *(Marriage Licenses of Canadian County show W. T. Hancock son of R. C. & A. Thompson married Lizzie Barrett daughter of M. D. & Sarah Taylor on April 12, 1897.)* They were parents of four children, three living. Mattie L., Sarah M. and Robert N. Elizabeth remarried H. E. Watson and died in 1947. Her obituary states there were three daughters. Mrs. O. W. Dickerson of Rosemead, CA,, Mrs. Lawton Brown of Fontana, CA, Miss Margaret Hancock of Rosemead and a son Robert Hancock of McAllen, Texas.

**ROBERT J. SMITH**

**No obituary found:** Tombstone states born 1915 Died 1915

**THEO EDNA PETTICORD**

YUKON SUN - April 28, 1916

Material evidence of the fact that "the grime reaper (Death) gathers the grain and the flowers that grow between," was witnessed by the large crowd of sympathizing relatives and friends who attended the last service over the body of a little daughter of Mr. O. P. Petticord at Frisco church Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Theo Edna Petticord was nine years and one month old. She was ill but a few days. Six girl schoolmates acted as pall bearers. Rev. Denny, of Piedmont conducted the services, using for his text the words, "She is not dead but sleepeth."

**MARY THOMASON**

EL RENO AMERICAN - June 29, 1916

Mrs. Mary Thomason wife of Hiram Thomason of Richland died Sunday morning about three o'clock. Death was caused by paralysis. Mrs. Thomason was fifty-eight years of age at the time of her demise. The funeral was held Monday afternoon. Her husband is one of the early settlers in this section of the state having come to the country during 1889.

*Obituary*

Mary Ann Covender was born July 8th 1847 in Union county, Georgia, where she spent the greater part of her life. She was married to Hiram Thomason May 6, 1900 in Union county Georgia and came to Oklahoma and Canadian county July 8, 1900, where she had resided sixteen years on the farm, two miles west of Richland, which is their present home. Deceased united with the Baptist church in early life and continued a devoted believer in that faith through life. Mrs. Thomason had been in poor health for several months and became seriously ill two weeks ago. She gradually became worse and although all was done that loving hands and medical skill could do, she passed away at 3:30 a.m. Sunday, Aged 68 years, 11 months, 17 days. At her bedside were gathered every member of her family except one son during the last days of her illness. Two sons by a previous marriage preceded her in death. She

is survived by her husband Hiram Thomason, one son, John D. Thomason three grandchildren, seven great grandchildren and large family of step-children and grandchildren to whom she was sincerely devoted. Funeral services were held at Frisco Church at two o’clock Monday afternoon conducted by Rev. M. G. Barlow, pastor of the First Baptist church of El Reno and the order of Rebekahs of which she was a member:

“We sit beside the lower feast,

She at the higher;

Our voices falter as we bend to pray;

In the great choir

O happy saints she sings and does

Not tire

We break the bread of patience and

The wine of tears we share.

She lasts the vintage of that glorious

Vine.

Set for the healing of the nations are

Or grown wise

She wondering smiles, and counts

Then idle, vain” - a Friend.

**JAMES COLLEY**

EL RENO AMERICAN - July 6, 1916

James Henry Anderson Colley was born December 25th, 1843 in Haverhill, Sciata County, Ohio.

He enlisted as a private in Company F 91st Infantry

Volunteers and was enrolled on August 3rd, 1862 and was discharged from service June 24, 1865.

He joined the soldier colony at Wichita, Kansas, and filed a declaratory, moving to Oklahoma, where he filed on his claim October 12, 1889. He had resided in this community ever since.

October 12, 1869 he was married to Phoebe Moore, who died Feb 20, 1888. To this union seven children were born, six of whom are living. They are: Mrs. Laura Sulthares, Drummond, Okla., Mrs. Maud Hall, El Reno; Mrs. Lelie Alkens, Piedmont, Okla; Mrs. Emma Mitchel, Roosevelt, Okla; Elmer L. Colley, Wichita, Kan; and Claud C. Colley, Richland, Okla.

Jan 9, 1889 he was married a second time to Elida Rogers, who now survives him. One child was born to this union and preceded him in death. Mr. Colley had been in every poor health for more than a year finding relief from his afflictions at times. While he has been seriously sick for a month or more, his death came suddenly at two o'clock, June 28, 1916, age 72 years, 6 months, 3 days.

The children who were not present at the time of his death came the following morning and all were present at the funeral which was held at Frisco church, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock. Services were conducted by Rev. C. F. Weidensaul and the body of another soldier was laid to rest, with due honor in Frisco cemetery where every year on Memorial day the stars and stripes wave above the graves of fallen heroes and living respect paid to their memory. Mr. Colley united with the Methodist church in the winter of 1891.

The beautiful flowers bespoke his high esteem among a host of friends an and about Richland, where he had been a citizen for many years. Beside a wife, his children and twenty grandchildren, he is survived by two sisters, one in Wichita, Kans. and one in Irontown, Ohio, two brothers one in Huntington, West Virginia and one at Roosevelt, Okla, who attended his bedside during the last days of his illness.

*Shall we meet beyond the river*

*Where the surges cease to roll*

*Where in all the bright forever*

*Sorrow ne’er shall press the soul?*

**Additional Info:** From *Yukon DAR Funeral and Death Book*, states he died of heart failure the certifying physician was Dr. Murphy (Doc Murphy practiced in Richland), Mr. Colley’s occupation was farmer.

**LAWRENCE NEWMAN**

EL RENO AMERICAN - 20 JUL 1916

Lawrence Newman, aged eighty-four, died at his home in this city Tuesday night at nine o'clock. He is survived by his wife, Rebecca, one brother, James. A. Newman, of Richland; two sisters, Mmes P. A. (Barbara) Smith, and Samuel (Lavina) Haworth of this city; three sons Luther. B. Newman, of Hydro, Arthur and James Newman, who reside in this vicinity, and one daughter, Mrs. Della Everson who resides in El Reno. The funeral services will be held today at Frisco church, Rev. Frank H. Lash conducting the services. Interment will be made in Frisco cemetery.

*Richland News* - A large crowd of sympathizing friends gathered at Frisco church Thursday morning at eleven o’clock to witness the last services of respect over the body of L. Newman which was laid to rest in Frisco Cemetery.

**Additional Info:** Lawrence was born October 4, 1835 at Mansfield, Ohio the son of Rev. George and Barbara (Hammon) Newman. The family then moved to Marion County, Iowa on a farm near Knoxville. On January 19, 1860 Lawrence married Rebecca Cordelia Godfrey. In 188 he moved to Pottawatomie County, Iowa where he owned several farms 18 miles east of Council Bluff, Iowa. They sold out and came to Oklahoma in 1890 arriving with three wagons packed with bedding, farm implements and household goods. He purchased two quarters of land northeast of El Reno near Richland. In October of 1915 they moved to El Reno*. From family records by Jean Kyle*

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to the many friends who so unselfishly came to our assistance during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father. We are especially grateful for the kind messages of sympathy and the floral offerings. Such kindness sided greatly in a time of sorrow -- Mrs. Lawrence Newman, Mr and Mrs J. S. Newman, Mr and Mrs Arthur Newman, Mr and Mrs L. B. Newman, Mrs Della Everson.

**MARY J. AKINS**

YUKON SUN - August 18, 1916

Mrs. James Akins died Saturday at her home north of Richland and was buried in Frisco cemetery Sunday at one o'clock.

**Additional info:** The *Yukon DAR Funeral and Death Book* states: Mary Jane Akins died August 12, 1916 and was buried August 13, 1916, funeral at 2 o’clock.

Mary was aged 54 years, 1 mo. and 20 da. The 1900 Frisco Twp Census list Mary Jane living with husband James Akins. She was born in Arkansas. Children were sons, Amos, William A., James L. and John H., daughters Cynthia, Mary and Lou V. The Akins family were ‘89ers homesteading the NE¼ Sec 11, wp 13, Rg 6.

**JOHN ALFUS LITTLE**

EL RENO AMERICAN - November 2, 1916

John Little was buried in the Frisco cemetery Sunday afternoon. The service was conducted by Rev. R. H. Denny of Piedmont. A large concourse of people were present.

**Additional Info:** John A. Little was an ‘89’er” homesteading the SE ¼ of Sec 8, Twp 13, Rg 6 in Canadian County. The 1900 census states he was age 44 born 28 July 1856 in Indiana. He was married in 1878 to Mary. Children: William W., Elmer F., Clarence, Leona A., and Hugh A. They had traveled from Missouri to Kansas to Oklahoma according to birth place of children. The *Yukon DAR Funeral and Death Book* states Jno Alfus Little died October 27, 1916 at age 60 yrs, 5 mo, 12 da. The funeral was to be held October 28th at 2 o’clock. He died of an Internal Hemorrhage and his occupation was a farmer.

**JAMES HALBERT**

10 day old son of Alla Halbert died December 28, 1916 at El Reno. Interment at Frisco Cemetery. BENSON FUNERAL HOME

**EMMA C. KENNEDY**

YUKON SUN - January 18, 1917

Emma C. Kennedy was born in Reading, Pa., in 1854 and entered into her rest near Piedmont, Okla., Jan 11, 1917, aged 63 years. She was united in holy wedlock with L. W. Kennedy, at Andrew, Iowa, May 11, 1880. This union was blessed with six children, four boys and two girls, all living. They are J. M. Kennedy, of El Reno, Norman R. and Spence A. Kennedy of Maqusketa, Iowa; Fay F. Kennedy, of El Reno; Mrs C. C. Siler of El Reno and Mrs. Johnnie Meyers of Piedmont. Lew Surprise, of El Reno, who is a nephew, was taken into the home when but a child and was reared to manhood under her motherly care.

She with her husband emigrated from Iowa to Oklahoma in 1901 settling on their present homestead. During the year 1906 Mr. Kennedy passed away. But she remained upon the homestead and held her family together. In the year 1901 she was happily converted to God and united with the Missionary Baptist church. In 1902 she united with the Pleasant Hill class of the United Evangelical church which class was later transferred to Richland. Mrs. Kennedy was of a pleasant disposition, always looking on the bright side of life, as a true mother it was a pleasure for her to labor to be helpful in promoting the welfare of her children. She was a patient sufferer, while conscious that the end was approaching. She made arrangements for her funeral selecting the persons whom she wanted to take charge. After having all her arrangements made, she prayerfully waited for the

coming of the Master. Her closing moments were spent in prayer. Just before her departure she bade her children good bye and asked them to meet her in heaven. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. H. L. Price, of El Reno at the Frisco church. Text Rev. 21:4.

RICHLAND NOTES

It is with sadness that we write of the death of Mrs. E. Kennedy who died last Wednesday night and was buried Friday at the Frisco cemetery. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family leaving four boys and two daughters to mourn their loss.

*Mathewson News* - Despite the cold wind and dust, several from this vicinity attended the funeral of Mrs. Emma Kennedy which was held at the Frisco Church.

**MRS A. TAPPAN**

Yukon Sun - February 2, 1917

Mrs. A. Tappan died at her home in Yukon yesterday (Thursday) morning at 3 o'clock. The deceased has been ailing for some time but her sudden demise was quite a shock to everybody. Although bedfast for more than two months on the day before her death she got up and tried to do some of her housework, seeming much better.

On account of the lateness of this death we are unable to print anything of the deceased's life in this week's issue of The Sun, but will do so next week. (THE NEXT WEEK EDITION OF THE YUKON SUN IS MISSING)

**Additional Info:** 1910 census list Asher F. Tappan and wife Philina born June 1852 in West Virginia. They had been married 16 years and had no children. Since there are Tappan’s buried at Frisco presume she is buried in Section 1, Lot 16 as Asher is listed as the owner, There is no marking for her and no markings in the Yukon Cemetery.

**MARGARET A. FITZGERALD**

YUKON SUN - February 2, 1917

Margaret A. Fitzgerald, mother of J. W. Fitzgerald, former County Commissioner of Canadian County, died at the home of her son 1 1/2 mile west of Richland, Jan 27th, at the age of 82 years, 6 months and 10 days.

Margaret Zentz was born in Washington County, O., July 17th 1821.

She was married to Edward F. Fitzgerald in Wayne county, Iowa, Jan 18th 1865. To this union eight children were born, five of whom have preceded her in death.

In 1892 Mr and Mrs Fitzgerald came to Oklahoma and to Canadian county where in July 1901 Edward F. Fitzgerald died.

Mrs. Fitzgerald has taken a mother's place in later years to three different families of grandchildren, attending their childish footsteps as a mother would have done, had death not deprived them of her.

For many years this beloved grandmother has made her home with her son near Richland where on the morning of Jan 27th, her faithful hands were folded in death and the book of her early existence scaled.

Although she has been afflicted in the body for a number of years advanced age was the immediate cause of her death. Her three surviving children are J. W. Fitzgerald, of Richland, Thomas Fitzgerald of Covington, Okla. and Homer Fitzgerald of Fairmont, Okla. were with her during her last days of life. She was a member of the Methodist church.

Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock surrounded by a large number of relatives and friends, her body was laid to rest in the Frisco cemetery. Rev. Frank Lash of El Reno speaking the last words of tribute to her memory using as his theme, "She Hath Done What She Could"

THEY CALL HER DEAD

*And yet she lives, O wondrous truth,*

*In golden sky she breathes immortal youth.*

*Look upward, where the roseate sunset beams*

*O Life your eyes, she is not dead.*

*For near life's path the unseen Angels tread*

*And when your weary life on earth shall close*

*You'll meet her where eternal summer blows.*

--A FRIEND

**ELVANIA HOWELL**

Died February 22, 1917

Tombstone states daughter of Luther and Violet Howell born February 2, 1917. Elvania was 20 days old.

**CHAUNCEY E. CONNER**

EL RENO AMERICAN - April 19, 1917

**IN MEMORIAM**

Chauncey Erwin Conner, was born in Promise City, Wayne county, Iowa, August 1, 1885 and departed this life April 12, 1917 at his home seven miles northeast of El Reno. He came to Oklahoma in 1904 and was married to Ermina Allen in 1906. To this union were born three children, one son and two daughters, Delia, Marion and Grace. The deceased was a kind husband, a loving father and obedient son. The beautiful tribute of flowers that were placed upon the casket and about the altar was a fitting token of the high esteem in which he was held in the community. He acknowledged Christ as his Savior in his youth, but never united with any church. The funeral services were held at the Frisco church by Rev. Frank A. Lash, of El Reno and burial ceremony was conducted according to the rites of the IOOF Loge of which he was a member at Richland. He was also a member of A.H.T.A., No. 32. Mr. Conner was a religious

faith, gentle, peace-loving and pure. He bore a kindly

heart. A smiling face and a genial word for all he met--

an ideal friend and brother. Although an intense sufferer of Typhoid-pneumonia for five weeks, he was patient and uncomplaining. He leaves to mourn his demise a wife and children, father, mother, one sister, other relatives and friends. The wife and parents, who so tenderly cared for him through this illness, have the heart-felt sympathy of the community.

RICHLAND NEWS - The funeral of Chauncy Conner was attended by a large concourse of people Friday afternoon at the Frisco church. Rev. F. H. Lash, from El Reno conducted the service. A goodly number from El Reno were present. The I.O.O.F. lodge held an impressive service at the cemetery. Miss Ula Smith closed her school term Friday, owing to the funeral. f Mr. Conner.

**GEORGE SCHEIN**

EL RENO AMERICAN - 26 APR 1917

George Schein was born May 13, 1852 near Jena, in the state of Saxony, Germany. He departed this life on the morning of April 21, 1917 at his home near Richland, aged 64 years, 11 months and 8 days. He attended school until the age of 17 and acquired a knowledge of German, French, Latin and English. He then entered the German Army for three years, serving in the war of 1870. At the age of 21 he came to America and resided for three years in Cincinnati, Ohio after which he went to Western Kansas, where he took up a homestead near Dodge City. There he was united in marriage to Miss Erwina Herrling, June 19, 1879. In 1881 they moved to a place near Wichita, where they resided for nine years. They came to Oklahoma in 1890 purchasing a farm near Richland. Here he resided until the time of his death. At the age of 14, he united with the German Lutheran church of which he was a loyal member. Mr. Schein was greatly admired by all who knew him, for his sterling traits of character, always taking a very active interest in public affairs of county and state and working zealously for the betterment of his immediate community. As a pioneer he was always very influential and known as a power for good throughout entire Canadian county. Of late years he had been handicapped by ill health, having been stricken by paralysis 12 years ago. He was a kind husband an father. He is survived by a loving wife, five children, Otto, William, an Emil Schein, Miss Marie Schein and Mrs. Earl (Alma) Gregory, all of Richland, Okla., six grandchildren and a host of admiring friends by whom he will be greatly missed. The body was laid to rest in the Frisco cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Lash of El Reno.

**PAUL GRAHAM**

THE YUKON SUN - 25 MAY 1917

*Richland News* **-** The funeral of Paul Graham who was killed by a runaway team, was held at the Frisco church Sunday afternoon.

**RUNAWAY KILLS BOY INSTANTLY**

Paul Graham, the 19 year-old son of Sam Graham of northeast of town, was almost instantly killed last Saturday afternoon at 12:30 p.m. in a runaway accident. It seems as if the young man was alone with the exception of a very young brother and the details of the accident are only to be guessed at. The boy had a hog in the wagon at the time of the accident and, it is thought in reaching for the driving reins which were trailing at the horses wheels, fell directly under the wheels, one wheel running over his head, fracturing the skull. The father at the time of the accident was in Oklahoma City. **Continued to next page………….**

Paul Willard Graham was born at their present home four miles north of Yukon February 6, 1898; died May 19, 1917, aged 19 years, 3 months and 13 days.

He leaves to mourn his death a father, mother, seven brothers and one sister. The boys are Charley, John Wesley and Rex who are married and at home are Ernest, Sam, Martin and Jack and his one sister Nancy.

Paul was a dutiful son and a much loved brother. He was courteous and respectful to all and the high regard in which he was held by his many friends was shown by the many saddened people who gathered at the home of the deceased on Sunday afternoon and followed in mournful, sympathetic silence the grief stricken family as the corpse was carried to its last resting place in Frisco Cemetery.

A short, yet comforting sermon was preached at the Frisco church at 3 p.m. by Rev McKinney, pastor of the Baptist church at Yukon.

Paul leaves a host of friends who are finding it hard to reconcile themselves to the loss of one of the most friendly and agreeable boys they have ever known. The young people for miles around were shocked and grieved at his untimely death for to know Paul was to love him.

**IRENE LECHTENBERGER**

EL RENO AMERICAN - July 5, 1917

The funeral of the infant daughter of Mr and Mrs Will Lechtenberger was held at the Frisco church, conducted by Rev. A. J. Coder, Saturday afternoon.

**LAVINA HAWORTH**

EL RENO AMERICAN - July 6, 1917

**Aged Citizen Died Thursday**

**Interment in Frisco Cemetery**

Mrs. S. A. Haworth an aged citizen of El Reno died at the residence of her son, George Haworth, 221 North Rock Island, Thursday morning. Mrs. Haworth was born in Ohio in 1833.

In 1849 she was married to Mr. Haworth, who survives her. The two lived in Marion county, Iowa until 1908 when they moved to El Reno.

Eight children are living. Mrs. A. W. York, of El Reno; Mrs. C. W. Newman, Mrs. J. C. Burton and Mrs Mary Conners, of Salina, N.M.; Mrs. F. E. Cox of Corydon, Iowa; George Haworth of El Reno, Robert Haworth of Council Bluffs, Iowa and C. N. Haworth of Bakersfield, Calif.

In addition to a family of eight children living, Mrs. Haworth had the distinction of being grandmother to 111 persons. She is survived by 44 grandchildren, 60 great grandchildren and 7 great-great grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at the Haworth home, Friday morning by W. R. Johnson, of Guthrie former pastor here. The body was taken to Frisco for interment in the cemetery at that place.

RICHLAND NEWS

Rev. Oliver York, of Lone Wolf, Mrs. George Rogers of

McAlester and Mrs J. M. York of El Reno attended the funeral service of Mrs Haworth and were dinner guests of Mrs. George Griffin Friday.

Mr and Mrs C. Haworth of Weatherford were present at the funeral of their grandmother, Mrs Haworth on Friday.

Mrs Della Everson, Cleo York and Mrs. Hamilton attended the last service of tribute to Mrs. Haworth Friday.

**Additional Info:** Lavina was born September 23, 1833 at Mansfield, in Richland County Ohio. She was the daughter of Rev. George and Barbara (Hammond) Newman. The family moved to Parke County, Indiana and there married Samuel Haworth on March 1, 1849.

**JAMES HILLIARD**

EL RENO AMERICAN - November 30, 1917

Mr. Hillard of El Reno, an old soldier was laid to rest in the Frisco Cemetery Monday. The old soldiers here attended the burial.

**Additional Info:** James served during the Civil War in Co I - 23rd Illinois Infantry. The 1900 Frisco Twp. Census list James Hillard age 53 born May 1847 in Ireland married in 1893 to Canzada. Father of three children, Eddie, Lezie and James W. They lived in Sec 18 of Twp 13, Rg 5 which would have been near Frisco Rd. and north of Hefner Rd.

**NANCY WOLF**

EL RENO AMERICAN - DEC 13, 1917

Mrs. Nancy E. Wolf, aged 66 years died last Saturday, December 8th at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John O’Brien, 910 South Hoff avenue. The funeral was held Monday at Richland, the former ome of the family conducted by Rev. Fred M. Stephenson, pastorof the first M. E. Church. All the residents of Richland attended the funeral and their tears paid mute tribute to one whom they had admired and deeply loved. The remains were interred in Richland Cemetery.

**Additional Info:** The 1910 Census List Nancy as mother-in-law in the household of John and Mary E. O’Brien. She was born in Ohio, age 54, widow and mother of three children two were still living**.**  There is no marker at the cemetery for her. Information from Benson Funeral Home, El Reno, OK she died from Pneumonia.

**TINNA BABE GRIFFIN**

Died January 2, 1918

The infant is buried on the Elzey Griffin lot, born December 30, 1917. Died aged three days old.

**RHODA DILLON**

EL RENO AMERICAN- FEBRUARY 14, 1918

Mrs. Rhoda Dillon, wife of Joseph Dillon, born in Illinois on May 1, 1854 and departed this life February 7, 1918 at Richland, Oklahoma aged 63 years, 9 months and 7 days. Rhoda Pilgrim was married to Charles E. Tappan, July 3rd, 1873 who died at Harrison, Oklahoma March 28, 1890. To this union were born four children, two sons and two daughters. On May 21, 1893, she was married to Joseph Dillon at El Reno, Okla. She leaves to mourn a husband, two sons and two daughters. Mr. Dillon of Richland, George G. Tappan of Oklahoma City, Okla. Otto B. Tappan, Phoenix, Arizona, Mrs. Anna Strahan of

Kansas City Mo. And Mrs. Nellie E. Main of Richland Okla. Sister Dillon had been a Christian from childhood and joined the Richland United Evangelical church in 1905 and was faithful til death. She was an ideal wife and mother.

RICHLAND NEWS

Mrs. Anna Strahan and George and Otto Tappen who have been here the past two weeks to help care for their mother, Mrs. Dillon, in the last days of her illness returned to their homes. The entire community extends to the family our deepest sympathy.

**Additional info:** The *Yukon DAR Funeral and Death* book list Rhoda Elmina Dillon died February 7, 1918. The funeral was held at Richland at 2 o’clock February 8, 1918. The Physician Dr. V. Kucher of Yukon listed cause of death as cancer. She was a housewife aged 62 yr, 9 mo, 6 da.

**WILLIAM T. BUNYARD**

Died February 16, 1918

**No obituary found**: William T. Bunyard was born in 1844 in Missouri according to the 1890 Territorial Census of Oklahoma Territory. His wife Martha E., children, Effie, Alva M., Charley O., Willie P. were living at home. They also had a daughter Cora A. Robinson. His tombstone states he served in the Civil War with Co. F., 2nd Missouri Cavalry.

Other research finds that: William married Martha E. Price November 18, 1866 in Bethany, Kansas. They moved to Anthony, Kansas and homesteaded a farm, living there until March 1890 when they came to Oklahoma to take up a homestead south of Piedmont the SE ¼ of Sec 18, Twp 13, Rg. 5.

**GEORGIA ANN NIEVAR**

Died June 12, 1918

Georgia Ann was born May 21, 1918. She died aged 22 days.

**D. ELDON MERICLE**

Died July 22, 1918

Boy baby born October 21, 1917 died aged 3 months. He probably was the son of Anthony Warren and Nancy (Belt) Mericle. There are a number of unmarked graves on this family Lot in Section 4. The obituaries have been found stating that they are buried at Frisco Cemetery.

**DORA JACKS**

Died August 11, 1918

Dora was born July 21, 1918. She was aged 21 days. She is buried on the Mericle Family Lot in Sec 4. Eliza (Mericle) Tripp had a daughter who married B. O. Jacks.

**RICHARD B. GRIFFIN**

Died August 16, 1918

EL RENO AMERICAN - August 22, 1918

**Mathewson News** - Mr. Griffin, of near Richland, died last Friday and was buried Sunday, Rev. Davis preaching the funeral sermon. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family in this sad hour.

**No obituary found**: Richard Bolen Griffin was born January 16, 1860 in Boone County Missouri to William H. and Prudence Jane (Rick) Griffin. He married Ellen J. Smith May 26, 1878. To this union the following children were born: Anna Ada, Alverda, Jesse Bolin, Nova J., George B., W. C., Lloyd D. and Louis. Ellen died in April 5, 1899.

August 2, 1900, Richard married Sarah May Taylor. To this marriage following children was born: Ray T., Richard Earl, Flora, Johnnie, Harold and Russell.

Richard was an officer of the Frisco Township board and also on the Board of Directors of the Frisco Cemetery Association.

The family home located next to the Frisco cemetery burned to the ground on February 16, 1918. Since Richard was the Secretary of the Frisco Cemetery Association, at that time, all the cemetery records were destroyed.

The stress of trying to rebuild a home for his family who were living in a tent in the yard, may have contributed to his death at age 58. The new house he was building was not finished yet and the family never got to live in it.

Richard was survived by sisters, Mary Frances Rippeto, Eliza Griffin, Sarah Sims, Rebecca Sims all of Missouri and brothers John C. James and William Robert Griffin who lived in Oklahoma.

**ADOLPH TRCH**

Died August 28, 1918

Adolph is buried by Anton & Emma Trch.

**OPAL GRIFFIN**

Died September 26, 1918

No obituary found. Opal was the daughter of Nova J. and Goldie Griffin. Opal was born September 25, 1918 and lived one day.

**JOHN WALKER**

EL RENO AMERICAN - 18 OCT 1918

John Charles Walker was born Sept. 12, 1885 in Cass County, Iowa and died October 16, 1918 at his home in Oklahoma City, after several days’ sickness with Spanish influenza and pneumonia, at the age of 33 years, 1 month and 4 days. At the age of 14, he with his parents moved to Oklahoma, where he grew to manhood and united with the Evangelical church in 1907. He was married to Iona Mack, March 4, 1911. To this union one child was born, who now survives him. The deceased leaves a wife and daughter, father and mother, four sisters and three brothers, the youngest of whom is in France in the service. Interment was made at the Frisco cemetery, Rev. H. L. Price, of Dover, conducting the services. Mr. Walker was well known in El Reno and the surrounding community. His mother still lives in this county.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation to the many friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us during the death and burial of our dear husband, son and brother. Also extend thanks for the beautiful floral offerings and kind words.

Mrs. John W. Walker and daughter

Mr & Mrs Henry Walker and family

**Additional info:** He was the son of Henry and Ellen Walker living with his parents on the 1900 United States Federal Census in Canadian County with other children: Edith B., Joseph W., Robert H., Ettie J., and Roy R. Walker.

**INFANT PAZOURECK**

Died October 23, 1918 - no obituary found.

Buried on the family lot owned by Frank Pazoureck.

**JACK A. NIEVAR**

EL RENO AMERICAN - 17 OCT 1918

**YOUNG SOLDIER BOY DEAD**

Funeral services for Jack NieVar, a Canadian county young man who died October 1, at Camp Pike, Ark., from bronchial pneumonia were held at the Frisco cemetery in Mathewson township, October 7, conducted by Rev. Rice of Yukon. The deceased soldier was born at Carbondale, Kansas, Feb. 3, 1889 and at the early age he came with his parents to Oklahoma and grew to manhood at the home place six miles east of El Reno. For the past eight years he had worked in the oil fields and was following that occupation when called to the colors. Although a strong and healthy young man, he met his

death in the dreadful Spanish influenza epidemic. He was married to Clara Huggler, Nov. 28, 1917 who survives him. One brother Geo. NieVar, is in army training at Camp Greene, N. C.. Another .brother, Ed, lives at Covington, Okla. Three sisters, Lillian NieVar, of Oklahoma City, Jennie Linderman of Banner and Mrs. Mabel Clements of El Reno survive. His mother, Mrs. Carrie NieVar lives at Quay, Oklahoma. Jack NieVar was known as a quiet and generous young man, loved by all who knew him and a host of friends are left to mourn his loss.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our thanks to the many friends and neighbors for their sympathy, kindness and assistance during the sad hours previous and during the burial of our beloved husband and son-in-law -- Mrs. Jack NieVar and Mr and Mrs. John Huggler.

**INFANT OF W. E. NILES**

Died December 17, 1918

Benson’s Funeral home records list Niles Infant born December 16, 1918 aged 1 day. W. E. Niles listed as parent. Baby is unmarked.

**THERESSA ULRICH**

Died 1918

**No obituary found:** From United States Census the following information tells the story. !850 Colebrook, Ashtabula, County Ohio, Theresa E. Williams age 1 is living with her parents James H. and Sarah P. Williams. Theresa had a brother Joel B. and a sister Mary A. who were older than her. 1880 Federal Census in Colebrook, Ohio list Theresa E. as wife of John H. Ulrich she married in 1867 according to the 1900 census in Frisco, Canadian County, Oklahoma, She was mother to Ella S., James F., and Carl B. Ulrich.

The 1910 census Frisco Twp. has Theressa Ulrich (widow) listed as Mother-in-law, living in the household of Lucius and Ella Smith. Her husband John died in June of 1909.

**DELBERT SILER**

Died March 20, 1919

Delbert was born March 8, 1919. He died at aged 12 days.

**THOMAS HALBERT**

Died April 9, 1919

**No obituary found**: The 1900 census list Thomas Halbert age 67 born February 17, 1833 in Scotland. His wife was Mary. Others listed on the census, a son Alexander and granddaughter Edith. They were the parents of eleven children and nine were living in 1900.

Info from family: Thomas Halbert married Mary Woodside on May 26, 1854 in Derry, Airshire, Scotland. They sailed for the United States shortly after they married.

Children listed in Mary’s obituary: Mr. M. W. Halbert of St. Louis, Mo.; Thomas Halbert, of Stockton, Kan.; John and Al Halbert of Yukon; Mrs. Lawrence Cox of Oklahoma City, Mrs. May Reed of Clinton, Mo.; Mrs. Ed Smith and Mrs Tom Cox, of Yukon. Daughter Elizabeth Winkle and son Robert preceded in death. There were 32 grandchildren and 31 great grandchildren.

**JESSIE LEE KEITH**

Died May 5 1919

Jessie Lee Keith son of Allie Keith died May 5, 1919. *Benson Funeral Home El Reno, OK*

**JOSEPH DILLON**

EL RENO AMERICAN - 19 MAY 1919

***PIONEER ANSWERS CALL***

Another pioneer of the days of the opening of Canadian county to settlement in 1889 answered the last call recently, when Joseph Dillon of Richland passed away at Oklahoma City on May 17, at the age of 78 years. Mr. Dillon was born in Peoria, Ill, and served in the Civil War with the federal forces.

He was united in marriage in 1893 to Rhoda Tappan. Four children survived, Mrs. Nellie Maine of Richland Mrs. Annie Strahan of Kansas City, Mo., Otho Tappan of Phoenix, Ariz., and George Tappan of Oklahoma City. Funeral services were held for the deceased on May 18 at the Frisco church, conducted by Rev. Pine, and interment was in the Frisco cemetery.

**MRS W. M. (MARY ALICE) ERDMAN**

Died July 16, 1919

**ALBERT WILLIAM ERDMAN**

Died July 16, 1919

**3 ARE KILLED IN COLLISION**

EL RENO AMERICAN - 24 JUL 1919

**Interurban Strikes Loaded Auto**

**at Crossing near Yukon**

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Two Richland citizen are dead and five badly injured as the resultof a smash up of an auto with an interurban car at stop No. 32, the first crossing west of Yukon on Wednesday evening of last week at about 5:30 p.m. The dead are: Mrs. W. M.. Erdman and nine year old son Albert of Richland and Willie McDonald 15 years of age of Oklahoma City. Those injured were: Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Erdman of Glenn county, Calif; Julia Erdman 5 years old, Mrs. J. E. McDonald and 10 year-old daughter, Elizabeth of Oklahoma City.

The crossing where the accident occurred is a very narrow cut, and although the motorman on the car declares that he sounded his gong, it is presumed that the brakes of the auto failed to work, the interurban, which was eastbound, striking it and hurling it against a loading

dock near the track. Willie McDonald was killed instantly in the collision and Mrs. Erdman died while being taken to Oklahoma City on the interurban. Her son Albert was inured internally.

The Erdman family of Richland had been visiting with the McDonald family in Oklahoma City, and were joined there by the Erdman family of California. The party was on its way for a visit at the Wm. Erdman home at Richland and had stopped at Yukon before the accident.

**Buried at Frisco**

Funeral services for Mrs. Erdman and her son were held at Frisco Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Hudson of Yukon and Rev. Pine of Richland. Mrs. Erdman was born in Bluff City, Harper County, Kansas on November, 1884. In addition to her husband, she is survived by four children, Freddie, Ferdinand, Julie and Willie, a mother and four sisters. Her son Albert, who was killed in the accident, was born June 11, 1910 at Richland. Beautiful floral tributes were present for the services. Interment was in the Frisco Cemetery.

Relatives from out of the county, who attended the funeral were Mr. & Mrs. Kruger of Clinton, Oklahoma and Mrs. Minnie Burgmeier, and son from Bluff City Kansas.

**DAILY OKLAHOMAN**

**July 17, 1919**

***(Excerpts)***Three persons are dead and five others are painfully injured as a result of a collision between an Interurban car and an automobile bearing nine persons at 5:30 o’clock yesterday afternoon near Yukon and seventeen miles west of Oklahoma City.

**Dead: Mrs W. M. Erdman**, Richland, Okla

**Willie McDonald**, 15 years old, 1424 North Mc

Kinley ave. Oklahoma City.

**Albert Erdman**, 9 years old, Richland, Okla.

**Slightly injured:**

**R. T. Erdman,** Glenn county, CA bruised

Mrs. R. T. Erdman, Glenn County CA knee

Mrs. J. E. McDonald, Oklahoma City

Julia Erdman, 5 years old, bruised

Elizabeth McDonald, 10 years old lacerated.

A small daughter of Mrs. McDonald, the ninth member of the party whose name could not be obtained was slightly injured.

The automobile was struck by the Interurban car at a

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crossing near the Interurban stop No. 32 west of Yukon. A report of the accident said the automobile came out of a cut south of the Interurban and Rock Island railroad tracks and the driver reported to be Mrs. R. T. Erdman endeavored to stop the car from crossing. The brakes apparently failed to work and the car did not stop until the front wheels were across one rail of the track.

**Motorman sounded Gong, He Says**

The eastbound Interurban car struck the automobile and spun it around, throwing it against a section gang loading dock near the crossing.

The car, No. 202 was in charge of Motorman William W. Rogers, and Conductor Herman C. Frick of Oklahoma City. Rogers reported that he sounded his gong when he saw the automobile approaching the crossing and then applied his emergency brake, stopping the car after it ran seventy five feet past the point where the automobile was struck

James McDonald was killed instantly in the collision and Mrs. W. M. Erdman died while she was being brought to a hospital in Oklahoma City. Her son Albert Erdman was badly injured internally and no hope was entertained for his recovery.

Mr and Mrs. R. T. Erdman formerly resided in Richland and removed to Glenn county, California several years ago. They had been visiting Erdman’s brother, W. M. Erdman of Richland. Mrs. J. E. McDonald was reported to be a sister of R. T. Erdman.

The injured were placed on the Interurban immediately after the accident and rushed to the city where the injured were taken to St. Anthony’s hospital.

**West on Visit**

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Erdman and their two children, Julia and Albert drove over yesterday from Richland. Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Erdman had arrived at the McDonald home Sunday after having been in California five years**.** Both families left about 3:30 o’clock yesterday afternoon with Mr. Mrs. Erdman and planned to visit at their home until Sunday.

McDonald who is a huckster, was busy and did not accompany the group. He did not know of the accident until he arrived at his home for supper.

**MARY ALICE ERDMAN**

Died July 16, 1919

**Additional Info:** Mary Alice was the daughter of Christian & Julia Anna Vorrath. She was born Nov 2, 1884 in Bluff City, Kansas. Her father made the “Run of 1889” and staked a claim on Richland Road north of the Richland School on Sec 14, Twp 13 Rg 6. She was survived by sons Ferdinand, 7 and Willie 3 and daughter Julia 5. According to the 1920 census. She had four sisters, Mrs. Minnie Burgmeier of Bluff City, Kansas, Mrs. Nannie Kruger, Yukon, Mrs. Ella Bell of Richland and Mrs. Ida Schellstede of Blackwell.

**JOHN D. MEYER**

Died September 1, 1919

**No obituary found**: John was born April 11, 1856 in Germany. The 1910 census states he immigrated to the United States in 1881, The passenger list for the Steamship Rhein in October of 1881, list Johan Meyer and Johan Wiedemann and family together as passengers arriving in New York. John married in 1887 to Helene probably in Nebraska. A son John was born in Nebrasa is listed on the 1910 census. Mr. Meyer came to Oklahoma and purchased the SW Sec 6, Twp 13 Rg 5. and lived there at the time of his death.

*Benson Funeral Home:* John D. Meyer born Germany died at El Reno September 1, 1919. Date of funeral was September 3, 1919 held at the Frisco Church by a minister from Oklahoma City not named. He was 62 years old.

**JOHAN HEINRICH DIEDRICH WIEDEMANN**

Died November 16, 1919

**No Obituary found:** DIEDRICH was born April 27, 1838 at Colnrade, Germany. He married Catherine Pauline Adelheid Wubbenhorst from Bassum, Germany on December 16, 1869. According to research, the family lived at Sandkrug from 1870 to 1876 the church records state that he was an inn keeper and “Koeter” (cottager, owned a farm of about 3 acres). The first four children were born here, Wilhelm (Bill, Sophia (she died as a child) Elise (Lizzie), Ernst, and Diedrich (Dick) By 1878 they were living at Streek, Oldenburg, Germany where Diedrich Heinrich Anton was born. Their father was listed as a “Hausmann” (Farmer of 111 acres) They moved to Hatten, Germany where Heinrich (Henry) was born in 1880.

The family left Germany by way of Bremen, Germany and arrived in the Port of NY USA on the Vessel SS Rhein, October 15, 1881.

After arrival they made their way across the United States to Hooper, Nebraska. They purchased land and here son Carl was born in 1882, Katharina (Kate) in 1884 and Johan (John) in 1886.

In 1892 they purchased land in the SW ¼ Sec 7, Twp 13, Rg 5 and filed Homestead on March 16, 1892 in Canadian County Oklahoma.

According to stories related through the years. The family packed their possession into two box cars in Nebraska and rode in them with their household goods, and seeds for planting in one box car, and livestock of cattle and horses in another car. They arrived in Oklahoma City and the box cars were put on a siding. Because of heavy rains, there were no roads at the time, just trails, and it was several weeks before they could drive the cattle to their new farm.

Diedrich died November 16, 1919 aged 82 years of age. He was buried in Frisco Cemetery.

**FRANK ELBERT GRIFFIN**

Died December 18, 1919

Frank was born February 17, 1919 and died aged 10 months old. Buried on Cemetery lot owned by Elzey Griffin.

**CHARLES A. PRESTON**

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Charles Ashel Preston, a well-known farmer of the Richland neighborhood, passed away on February 21, death resulting from the effects of influenza. Mr. Preston was born at Greenleaf, Kans., in June of 1884. He leaves a wife and five children to mourn his demise. The funeral services were held at the Frisco church, Sunday, conducted by Rev. Ralph Hudson and the body was interred in the Frisco cemetery.

**RICHLAND HAPPENINGS** - The funeral of Charles Preston was held Sunday afternoon at the Frisco cemetery. The entire community expresses its sympathy to the bereaved widow and children in this their hour of sorrow.

**Additional Info:** Charles came to Oklahoma with his parents in 1889. He is listed on the 1890 Oklahoma Territorial Census with his parents Levic H and Celestia Preston. His brothers and sisters on the 1890 census were Louis, Carrie, Fred and Mary. They family had been in Oklahoma 8 months.

Charles married Gertrude Ridle and they had two daughters Letha and Blanche, three sons Ashel, Lawrence and Arlin. Charles died at the age of 34 years.

**NOTE:** There were so many editions of the Newspaper’s in Canadian County missing during 1918 and 1919 that **are not available** on microfilm. Believe it may have been due to WW II. Therefore, it was necessary to write obituaries for many of the people during this time period. The census, family members and histories provided information.