

INFORMATION & DATA ON THE FAMILY OF:

WILLIAM C. & NINA A. (WARD) KRUEGER  
1898-1978                      1903-

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Being a collection of information from Public records, biographies, histories and family sources, and arranged to present a coherent view of said family and their individual relationship. This has all been done for the purpose of preserving for future generations a knowledge of their past.

Date 13 Jan. 1986

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 State Nebraska Supervisor's Dist. No. 5 Sheet No. 7  
 County Adams Enumeration Dist. No. 19

Township or other division of County Zero Township Name of Institution X Ward of City X  
 Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above named division, X day of June, 1900, Robert M. Ratcliff, Enumerator.  
 Enumerated by me on the 22nd day of June, 1900, Robert M. Ratcliff, Enumerator.

LOCATION	NAME	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION										NATIVITY		CITIZEN.		OCCUPATION				EDUCATION				HOME			
		Relation to head of family	Color	Sex	Month of birth	Year of birth	Age at last birthday	Single, married, widowed, divorced	No. of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Year of immigration to U.S.	No. of years in U.S.	Naturalization	Occupation, Trade or Profession of each person of ten years of age and over.	No. of months not employed	Attended school (months)	Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Home owned or rented	Home owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule
104	of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.	Head	M	W	Dec 1854	45	M	22			Germany	Germany	Germany	1866	34	Na	Farmer			Yes	Yes	Yes	O	F	F	104	
	Lizzie	Wife	F	W	Aug 1859	40	M	22	11	9	Germany	Germany	Germany	1868	32					Yes	Yes	Yes					
	Catherine	Dau	F	W	June 1883	16	S				Nebraska	Germany	Germany							Yes	Yes	Yes					
	Adeline	Dau	F	W	July 1885	14	S				Nebraska	Germany	Germany				At School		9	Yes	Yes	Yes					
	Rhinehart	Son	M	W	Aug 1887	12	S				Nebraska	Germany	Germany				At School		6	Yes	Yes	Yes					
	Simon	Son	M	W	Feb 1890	10	S				Nebraska	Germany	Germany				At School		4	Yes	Yes	Yes					
	Lotta	Dau	F	W	June 1892	7	S				Nebraska	Germany	Germany														
	Anna	Dau	F	W	Nov 1894	5	S				Nebraska	Germany	Germany														
	Ophelia	Dau	F	W	Sept 1896	3	S				Nebraska	Germany	Germany														
	William	Son	M	W	Jan 1898	2	S				Nebraska	Germany	Germany														

**KRUEGER**

Surname

FAMILY INFORMATION CHART NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Husband's full name Harold Everett KRUEGER  
 born on 12 July 1921 at North Platte, Nebraska  
 married 16 Sept. 1945 at Dallas, Texas  
 died on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
 interred at \_\_\_\_\_ . Groom's \_\_\_\_\_ marriage

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Military Service \_\_\_\_\_  
 William Carl KRUEGER . Nina Alice WARD  
 His Father 1898-1978 Mother's maiden name 1903-

Wife's maiden name Hilda Mata SCHRAMM  
 born on 12 Oct. 1923 at Denton County, Texas  
 died on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
 interred at \_\_\_\_\_ . Bride's \_\_\_\_\_ marriage

Her Father \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's maiden name \_\_\_\_\_

Abodes and removals :

**Authority or Source of Data:**

Mrs. Nina A. Krueger  
 2628 Catherine Street  
 Dallas, Texas 75211

**Records, Census & Others:**

Harold and Hilda were divorced in November, 1970.

On 20 Apr. 1974, Harold married Carleen W. CUNNINGHAM, who was born 5 Sept. 1924, in Wood County, Texas.

Sex

**Their Children**

**Additional Information:**

(1) Name Connie Lynn KRUEGER  
 born on 4 Feb. 1947 at Bryan, Brazos Co., TX  
 died on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
 married 20 Feb. 1964 at Phoenix, Airizona  
 to: #1. Michael Gerold MEURE  
b. 20 May 1945,

Children:  
 1. Katherine Rene Meure  
    b. 14 Sept. 1965, Phoenix, AZ  
 2. Michael Don Meure  
    b. 14 Sept. 1969, Denver, CO  
 3. Laura Nickole Meure  
    b. 13 Oct. 1972, Tulsa, OK  
 Connie remarried to Oliver Rankin<sup>1</sup>

(2) Name Clifford Lee KRUEGER  
 born on 28 Sept. 1950 at Dallas. Texas  
 died on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
 married note below at \_\_\_\_\_  
 to: #1. Kathy HOFFMAN, 12 Oct. 1970, Sherman, TX  
#2. Judy Ann Kerr, 24 Feb. 1973, Dallas, TX<sup>2</sup>

Child by Kathy HOFFMAN:  
 1. Melonie Jane Krueger  
    b. 20 July 1971, Dallas, TX  
 Children by Judy Ann Kerr:  
 2. Beverly Jill Krueger  
    b. 16 Oct. 1973, Arlington, TX  
 3. Sandra Dee Krueger  
    b. 22 Nov. 1976, Arlington, TX

(3) Name Rhonda Dee KRUEGER  
 born on 21 Oct. 1955 at Dallas, Texas  
 died on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
 married 17 Feb. 1980 at \_\_\_\_\_  
 to: Edwin Scott SCHAFFER  
b. 30 Dec. 1958,

Kathy Hoffman was born 29 September 1952, Lufkin, Texas.

Judy Ann Kerr was born 15 October 1949, Pampa, Texas.

Edwin was born in Dallas, TX

1. Oliver Rankin, b. 19 June 1935, Magee, Miss.. He and Connie Lynn were married at Langly, Oklahoma 26 Jan. 1980. Form B-0285  
 2. Kerr is not Judy Ann's maiden name. OVER, PLEASE

FAMILY DATA NOTES FROM NINA WARD KRUEGER'S LETTERS

January 30, 1980.

Charley Ward, when younger, had a winning personality, thats why the ladies liked him.

His wife, Sarah, said he was a street angel and a home devil. Sarah managed to live with him for 19 years.

The photo of Charley Ward's six children was taken in July, 1911, at Oxford, Nebraska. Alva was 5 years old, Alta was 10, Zola 9, Nina 8 and Zona was 6, 14 & 15 months apart in age. (Earnest was not mentioned although he is in it)

In May of 1912 Charley and family moved to North Platte, NE, where he got a job with the Union Pacific railroad. He lived there until Sarah divorced him in December of 1917.

Charley's first wife, Sarah Maggard Moore, went to school with his last wife, Betty. It was a little one-room school house down in Missouri where the Wards and the Maggards lived as farm neighbors. That is where Charley and Sarah met.

Betty was retarded from birth. Her name was Betty Rice, she was 3 years younger than Sarah.

(1886	Aug.	?	Bettie's BD
1878	June	15	Sarah's BD
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8 yrs., 2 mos. 7 das. Approx. dif.)			

Dad (Charley) married Ethel in 1919. She had four children, ages 3 to 10 yrs. Ethel was about 35 yrs. old when she died. She died from an abortion.

Dad was so mean to her children her people took them to raise, I don't think she was all there, or she would have took off with her children.

May 17, 1980

I know what the covered wagon living was like. We traveled in one across Mo. and Okla. (Indian territory). I don't know how long we lived in the wagon, but we lived in so many places before we went to Oxford, Nebr.. In one school and out, I remember starting in the first grade of school at Oxford at age 7 yrs. and not one of us got passed the 7th grade. The folks seperated the fall that I was 14 yrs. old, and I went to work. Met Bill in church and married at the age of 16 yrs., 7 mo's. AND LIVED HAPPY EVER AFTER. Ha

Rodney Mason was in the Navy ... 4 yrs., discharged in San Diego. Went home to see his Mother once ... and returned to San Diego. Rodney was one mixed up fellow. We never found out who took his life. He wss beat to death, they never found out who did it or why. But Lucille thinks he was mixed up with a dope ring. She had his body cremated and carried the ashes back to Astoria, Oregon, where he grew up, and let the wind carry it over the water. he told her before, while in the Navy, if he died in the War, he wanted to be buried at sea. (That was another victim of divorce)

Nina Ward Krueger, continued

Dad (Chas. Ward) give Ethel the same kind of treatment that he give my mother. Less then three <sup>year</sup> after they married, she gave up her children, all but the baby, to her folks. Why she aborted his child I guess she didn't want another child to come in to the kind of home she lived in. Alta said Ethel was planning a divorce just before she died.

I don't know the details of her first husband's death. All I know is he was killed on the job. He worked for the railroad company. Her baby was about 8 months old at the time of his death. She had four children.

Edward's father (James Robert Moore) was killed when horses ran away with a wagon ... pitched him out and broke his neck. The wagon hit a rock or a tree stump. He was dead when a man riding horseback found him.

Why my mother married my father ... you can guess at that as well as I can. All I know is, the Wards and the Maggards were neighbors. And after James died Mother went home to live with her folks. It was there that she met Dad.

At the time Hugh Mason was killed he went head on with a streetcar, in a blinding snow storm, in Denver, Colorado. I don't remember the year.

P.S.

They never learned just what happened to Edward and after a year declared him dead. Our Boys in the 1st World War never got honor badges and ribbons, as they do today. The Doughboy is the forgotten man.

Along about 1924 Sister Alta was listening to a radio newscast and learned the announcers name was Lee Little. In going through Edward's letters and pictures we found a picture of a buddy who's name was Lee Little. Alta wrote to him and he was the one who went thru boot camp and landed in France with Edward in June of 1918 with Company F of the 6th Division.

He told Alta that Edward and six other boys went to bring a machine gun in that was left behind the line. Only two of them came back. They didn't find their bodies, therefore think he was taken prisoner. For months Lee checked sick bay and hospitals and went through the tags taken off of bodies, but found no trace of Edward.

July 21, 1981

I have been in Dallas since December of 1920.

When Zola passed away we called Clarence but they had moved to Pinehurst, Idaho, where Clarence worked in the sawmill. They lived in North Platte, NE, a year where I saw Ola and Dale, Ola was about 4 years old then. I saw her again in Portland, Oregon, in July of 1948.

... about Ethel, I know she died on the farm south of No. Platte and was buried just two weeks before Brother Ernest was killed. They were married in North Platte, NE.

Zona Ward and husband Ed Watts spent most of their lives around Weskan, Kansas, on a farm until all their children were out of school and married. Then they bought a home in Sharon Springs. Zona divorced him and their daughter, Pearl, took Ed, when he got sick, to California. He passed away a few years later in Pearl's home.

Nina Ward Krueger, continued

Hugh Wilton was adopted. Both adopted parents passed away while he was still in his teens.

Alva (Ward) worked on a ranch in Wyoming when a young kid. In his 30's he worked as a brakeman for Union Pacific. The last five years of Mother's life he worked for the City of Longmont, Colorado. Staying in her home and looking after his mother's needs. After Mother, then 89 years old, was put in the Rest home Alva went back to Laramie, Wyoming, where he worked on a ranch until he retired. He never married. He did drink pretty heavy. Said he didn't have the nerve to starve a woman to death. And there was enough divorce in our family and that is why he would never get married.

FAMILY INFORMATION FROM ZONA (WARD) KROETSCHING

Sept. 22nd, 1982, during a visit with her at  
her home in Sharon Springs, Kansas

Ethel Burton owned a rooming house in North Platte before she got with Charley Ward. She had three children from her previous marriage:

1. Ida Krozier
2. Bud "
3. --- "

Ethel bled to death from a home abortion. Zona believes this was the only child she was to have by Charley Ward.

Alta Isabell Ward,	born Mar. 25, 1901, Liberty Center, Iowa
Zola Anna Ward,	" June 22, 1902, Devizes, Kansas
Nina Alice Ward,	" Oct. 17, 1903, Kenesaw, Nebraska
Earnest Roosevelt Ward,	" Oct. 17, 1903, Kenesaw, Nebraska
Zona Pearl Ward,	" Mar. 8, 1905, Devizes, Kansas
Alva Marvin Ward,	" Sept. 25, 1906, Devizes, Kansas
Alta Isabell Walker,	died Sept. 5, 1962, North Platte, Nebraska
Zola Ann Fugate,	" May 30, 1947, Sidney, Nebraska
Earney Ward,	" Mar. 5, 1926, No. Platte, Nebraska, age 22
Sarah F. Cheevers,	born June 15, 1878, Scotland County, Missouri

above data provided from Zona's mother.

Sarah F. Moore, born June 15, 1879, divorced Jim Moore in 1896. She married Charles Clinton Ward April 19, 1898.

ADDRESSES

Mable Marie (Watts) - Mrs. Hugh E. Wilton  
RR. 2, Box 13  
Hoisington, Kansas 67544 (Nov. 1980)

Pearl Elaine (Watts) - Mrs. D. C. Lenhart  
53 Eastside Circle  
Petaluma, California (CA) 94952 (May 1982)

John Edw. Watts  
3060 New Jersey Ave.  
San Jose, California 95124  
(408) 377-8710

*Ala says Ethel Burton's  
youngest child was Alberta*

*Jan 16 1989 letter*

Charlie & Sarah Ward's children in the 1911 photo: Left to right, front row, Alva, Nina, Earnie & Zona; back row, Zola & Alta.

Zona (Ward) Kroetsching, continued

Information supplied by Mable to Zona:

Angel Lee Wilton, born June 16, 1970  
Lance Edward Wilton, " July 1, 1969

Larry	July 10	Jackie	Oct. 08
Vicki	Aug. 27	Marion	June 22
Lori	Mar. 14	Edwin	Aug. 10
Tina	Feb. 17	Dawn	Sep. 29 or 30

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Gary Wilton Oct. 22  
Judy Wilton Jan. 10  
Lance Wilton July 01  
Angel Lee Wilton June 16

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Toni Sue January 10  
Gary Boston October 10

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Hugh February 05  
Mable July 15

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Oscar Charles Kroetsching  
b. 4 Sept. 1896  
w. Jansen, Jefferson Co., Nebr.  
m. 10 Jan. 1950  
w. Sharon Springs, Kansas

1982 Address  
317 Clark  
Sharon Springs, Kans. 67758

Also his bro. Clyde lives in Sharon Springs.

His Father: Charles Frederick Kroetsching  
b.  
w. Kingsburg, Germany

His father, Fred, came to America at age 8.

His Mother: Lydia Elders  
b. 17 Nov. 1874, Switzerland  
d. 28 Nov. 1968

Earnie Ward was killed at a dance in No. Platte, Nebr., at which some Mexicans were fighting. He was shot as he came out of the door by a Mexican who had mistaken him for a man that he had been fighting with. The Mexican was tried and given a prison sentence.

e.e.b., 1986



Film Roll No. 493

State Kansas  
County Norton

Township or other division of County Crystal Township

Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above named division, Ward of City X  
Enumerated by me on the 22-23-25 day of June, 1900, J. F. Graves, Enumerator.

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Enumeration Dist. No. 93 }

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126	WOLLEN, John M.	Head	M	M	Feb	1855	45	M			Iowa	Ind	Ind				Farming	0	0	Yes	Yes	Yes	0	F	F	114
	... Loreta E.	Wife	M	F	Mar	1861	39	M	8	8	Mo	Ohio	Ill							Yes	Yes	Yes				
	... Henry C.	Son	M	M	Dec	1880	19	S			Neb	Iowa	Mo							Yes	Yes	Yes				
	... Calvin R.	Son	M	M	Sept	1882	17	S			Neb								2	Yes	Yes	Yes				
	... Eva P.	Dau	M	F	Nov	1884	15	S			Neb								6	Yes	Yes	Yes				
	... Ella M.	Dau	M	F	Sept	1886	13	S			Kans								6	Yes	Yes	Yes				
	... Lewis F.	Son	M	M	Aug	1889	10	S			Neb								6	Yes	Yes	Yes				
	... Oliver O.	Son	M	M	Jul	1892	7	S			Neb								6	Yes	Yes	Yes				
	... Victor L.	Son	M	M	Oct	1894	5	S			Kans								6	Yes	Yes	Yes				
	... Gladice O.	Dau	M	F	Aug	1897	2	S			Kans									Yes	no	Yes				
	... Trustin	Fthr	M	M	June	1830	70	M			Ind	Ohio	Ky				Farmer	0		Yes	no	Yes				
	... Almia	Mthr	M	F	June	1836	64	M	7	8*	Ind	(n/r)	Ten							Yes	no	Yes				
	SUMNER, Della F.	Niec	M	F	June	1882	17	S			Neb	Iowa	Iowa							Yes	Yes	Yes				
	... Bettie	Niec	M	F	Aug	1886	13	S			Neb								9	Yes	Yes	Yes				

Form B-0689 \* original garbled, probably 6.

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