

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Werten, William Henry Senator \_\_\_\_\_  
Represented Delaware County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 1845 Colony Township, Delaware County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place  
① Katherine Sealy 18 Dec 1868 Grove County, Illinois  
② Ellen Jane Ketchum 1 Dec 1878 Earlville, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business \_\_\_\_\_

B. Civic responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_

C. Profession Clerk; stock dealer; nursery business; teacher;  
farmer

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1878, 1880

6. Public Offices

A. Local Delaware County Superintendent of Schools 1872-1875

B. State He served in the 1<sup>st</sup> Territorial Legislature of Oklahoma

C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death 23 Sept 1918 Guthrie, Oklahoma; buried Summit View Cemetery, Guthrie, Oklahoma

8. Children By 1<sup>st</sup> wife - Edward J.; Clara Alice; by 2<sup>nd</sup> wife - Birney Ray;  
Howard Brooks; Robert William

9. Names of parents Frederick Norman and Katharine Margaret (Klaus) Wertin

Mertens, William Henry

10. Education

11. Degrees He attended Baldwin University in Berea, Ohio

12. Other applicable information

Republican

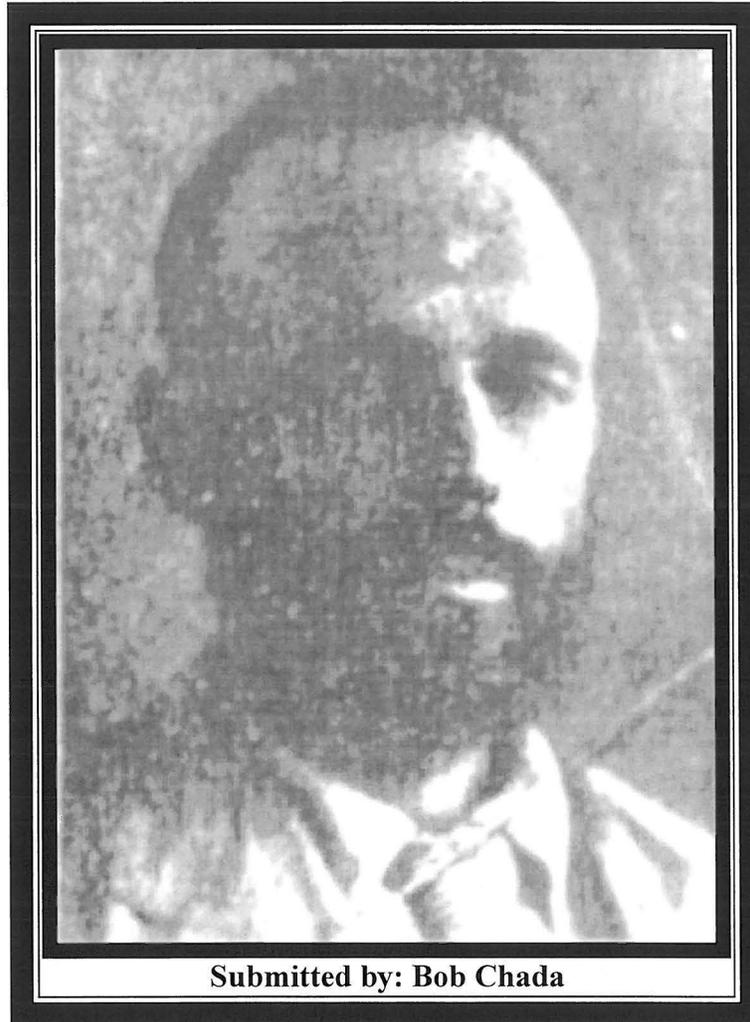
- In 1878 he was a clerk in Earleville, Iowa in Delaware County, Iowa
- He was born in 1845 in Colony Township, Delaware County, Iowa for 6 years.
- His father became an itinerant preacher for the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1851, then spent until 1862 in Iowa, Wisconsin and Illinois
- In 1863-1864 he moved to Missouri where in the spring of 1864 he engaged in the nursery business
- Military service - Civil War - Company B, 43<sup>rd</sup> Missouri Volunteer Infantry, enlisted in fall 1864, mustered out in August 1865.
- He then closed his nursery and came back to Iowa in 1866.
- He taught school for 2 years, purchased a farm in 1867 and was married Oct 1868 to Kate Sedey who died Oct 1876, age 28, buried in Jarvin Cemetery, Earleville, Delaware County, Iowa.
- He apparently moved to Guthrie, Oklahoma in 1889 since he was called an "89er" in his obituary



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## *Historical Photos*

### **Logan County, Oklahoma**



**W. H. Merten**  
**1st Legislature of Oklahoma Territory**

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Are you doing yours?

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... them in Northern France. Dur-  
... all that time they had been sub-  
... to the greatest indignities and  
... had been forced to serve them as men-  
... tals. Many such stories might be told  
... of the Germans. They are, however,  
... too sordid and revolting to dwell upon.  
... From the village of Jagny-sur-Mo-

... (na that the French inhabitants of  
... Pagny-sur-Moselle were wild with joy  
... when they heard that the American  
... troops were coming. They first heard  
... this last Thursday and they sat up all  
... that night, little groups praying to  
... God that the advance would continue  
... and that they would be released from  
... slavery.

## An American W N

Baroness Heard before her mar-  
riage to Baron Charles Heard,  
French artist, was Miss Francis  
son of New Rochelle, N. Y.  
Heard's estate, 60 miles north  
Paris, was occupied for 9 days  
German headquarters, during  
which's brief stay in that neigh-  
hood, early in the war. How it  
German "aristocrats" used her  
is told in the American Maga-  
zine. Before she turned her house over  
to the conquerors, writes Mad  
Heard:

One little thing that I did will  
now serve as my estimate of Ger-  
mans. In my desk were innum-  
erable letters—intimate and per-  
sonal from my husband and  
friends. In spite of the fact it  
grieved them very highly, I could  
not take them with me. But in my  
stiffly, I fancied I was prote-  
cting them from the intrusion of stran-  
gers when I put this note conspicu-  
ously in the desk:

"I assure that the contents of  
this desk are purely personal and of  
no value to me and that my  
dearest friends leave it under the  
protection of my country's flag."  
I think I shall be glad to see  
the day when the Germans will  
be able to read it.

### ODD FELLOWS WILL RAISE HUGE WAR FUND

G. W. Bruce, Grand Secretary of  
State Order Returns From  
Wonderful Meeting At  
St. Louis

G. W. Bruce, Grand Secretary of the  
Odd Fellows returned from St. Louis  
Saturday night where he had been in  
attendance upon the annual session of  
the Sovereign Legislative Body of the  
Order. He reports a splendid and  
profitable session lasting one week.  
He said today: "The Sovereign Grand  
Lodge is composed of not less than  
one, but more than four representa-  
tives from each of the states and ter-  
ritories of the United States, and of  
each Province in the Dominion of Can-  
ada, Cuba, Haiti, and Republi-  
cans organizations elsewhere, on  
continent of North America."

### TWO OLD TIME GUTHRIE MEN PASS BEYOND

W H Merton, 89er, and Prominent  
Citizen, Died At Home Here;  
Chas B Renfro, Dead In  
Eugene, Oregon

W H Merton, prominent 89er, and  
resident of this city since the opening  
of Oklahoma to settlement, passed  
away this morning at 8:00 o'clock, af-  
ter a long illness.

The deceased was a member of the  
lower house of the First Territorial  
legislature, and also served in two  
other legislatures. He was postmas-  
ter of this city, helped to write the  
present city charter, and has always  
been prominent in all activities for  
the advancement of Guthrie and La-  
salle county.

When he retired from office, 1897

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# BE HELD IN HISTORY

## A Big Class of Honors Will Take South Side Degree At Temple Here October 28 To 30th

Johnston University, located and incorporated in the State of Iowa, will hold its 10th annual commencement exercises at the Temple here October 28 to 30th.

Those who will be present at the Temple during the week of the 28th, 29th and 30th are:

All candidates are required to appear in the Secretary's office at the Temple, South Side, Iowa, on or before Oct. 1, 1917.

Keep the Secretary's office advised of your residence address. Certificates will be mailed to the Administration by Card Only.

Students will receive their diplomas in accordance with the regulations and under the supervision of the faculty. It is necessary that all those students who are absent from the meetings of the faculty of the University should be present at the time of the final examination.

Location of the commencement exercises will be held at the Temple, South Side, Iowa, on the 28th, 29th and 30th of October.

Handsome engraved parchment diplomas in Latin and English will be furnished all our members who have the final degree. They are issued by the Student Council of the University. The University of the United States, Commission on Education, will be secured for the same.

Weight of the most beautiful year of the city. I. A. B. City of the Pacific and one of the most beautiful cities of the world. After taking a few days rest, it is clear and I reached the great Pacific Ocean coast through Hawaii, where the old and new lands are blended.

My stay on the beach at Oahu and my stay on the beach at Honolulu and my stay on the beach at Maui and my stay on the beach at Hilo.

As the editor of the Hawaiian Islands, I am glad to see that the Hawaiian Islands are still a part of the Hawaiian Islands.

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# Declares Paris Newspaper

Paris, Sept. 28.—La Liberte announces that American troops, marching northward along the valley of the Rhine, have captured the bridge of Givet and Chantilly have opened the German border and captured a series of important fortified positions.

Orders to cross into southwest of Metz and a mile within the German border, Chantilly is five miles west of Givet. The Americans also captured Vandœuvre on the Moselle river, south of Metz. The attack was a brilliant one, and the crossing had permitted the breakthrough, although the place was captured last Tuesday.

## 1000 FELLOWS WILL BANG BANG WAR FUND

They are gathering for the purpose of raising money for the war fund.

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## TWO OLD TIME OUTRIGERS GET PASS BEYOND

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## BERLIN ADMITS DEFEAT AT TWO POINTS

American, Sept. 28.—Two important admissions were made by the Berlin war office today in the latest statement.

The first admission was that the German forces had been defeated at two points. The second admission was that the German forces had been defeated at two points.

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## DEFENDING THE FLAG

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## HELP THE BELGIANS, LIVE THEM YOUR OLD CLOTHES

Remember the program begun in the world from the American flag. Remember the program begun in the world from the American flag.

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DELAWARE COUNTY,

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CONTAINING

*A History of the County, its Cities, Towns, &c.,*

A Biographical Directory of its Citizens, War Record of its Vol-  
unteers in the late Rebellion, General and Local Statistics,  
Portraits of Early Settlers and Prominent Men, His-  
tory of the Northwest, History of Iowa, Map  
of Delaware County, Constitution of the  
United States, Miscellaneous  
Matters, &c.

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CHICAGO:

WESTERN HISTORICAL COMPANY,  
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1878.

for the Delaware Co. Grange Store; assignment was made July 1, 1878; he has been connected with the Grange Store since 1874; he holds the position of Treasurer of the Delaware Co. Fire and Lightning Ins. Co.

Lough J. P. liveryman; Delaware.

Luckinbill S. P. painter; Earlville.

Lux John, dealer in agl. imps.; Earlville.

**M**'CORMIC THOS. sec. hand I. C. R. R.; Earlville.

Mack J. H. tailor; Earlville.

Mallory H. J. lab.; Sec. 22; P. O. Earlville.

Mallory J. E. laborer; Delaware.

Marshall F. grain buyer; Delaware.

Mathews G. W. farmer; Sec. 1; P. O. Earlville.

**MATTHEWS JAS. B.** Editor *Earlville Record* and *Alden News*; Earlville; born in Lockport, N. Y., Oct. 12, 1825; moved to Ohio in 1836; to Chicago in 1860; to Iowa in 1865; to Alden in 1866, when he commenced publishing the *Alden News* in 1873, which paper he still publishes; settled in Earlville Dec. 19, 1877; commenced the publishing of the *Earlville Record* same date. He was married in 1851 to Miss Margaret Newman, from Ohio; she was born in St. John, N. B., July 24, 1826; they have three children—J. Arthur, May E., Frank H. His son J. A. Matthews, is in partnership with him in the publishing of the *Earlville Record* and the *Alden News*; both papers are published from the Earlville office. Mr. Matthews has followed the business of printer thirty-four years.

Mead J. D. sec. hand I. C. R. R.; Earlville.

Mead O. sec. hand I. C. R. R.; Earlville.

Mead Jno. carpenter; Delaware.

Mearder E. L. carpenter; Delaware.

**MEDLAND JOHN**, P. O. Earlville; born in England, Cornwall Co., Sept. 4, 1827; came to this country and Du Page Co. in 1852; to Iowa and this county in 1865; settled on his present farm in the same year; he was married in 1852, to Miss Catherine Sleep, from England; she was born Oct. 25, 1828; they have had six children—Jemima G., born March 16, 1855; Mary E., born Nov. 24, 1860; William S., born May 8, 1862; Luella L., born Nov. 4, 1864; John S., born Jan. 2, 1867; Francilla

V., March 2, 1870; he has 170 acres of land, valued at \$5,000; he has held office of School Director four years, and Road Supervisor four years.

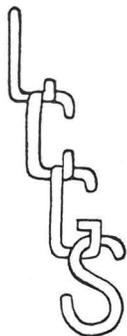
**MERRY H. C.** Farmer; Sec. 23; P. O. Earlville; born in New York July 16, 1814; lived there seventeen years; moved to Ohio in 1833; to Iowa and Elk Township, 1857; settled on his present farm in 1866; he was married, in 1838, to Miss Parmelia Trowbridge, from Ohio; she was born in New York Jan. 1, 1817; they have had six children—Martha E., Adeline, John F., Henry J., Carrie and Willie; Adeline and Willie died; John F. enlisted in Co. K, 21st Regt. Iowa V. I., in 1862; mustered out on account of sickness in 1863; he re-enlisted in the 100 days' service; he is now engaged in the mercantile business in Manchester. Mr. Merry held the office of Justice of the Peace of Elk Township seven years; School Director seven years; Assessor of Oneida Township, three years; he has 80 acres of land. Mrs. Merry's father, John Trowbridge, lives with them; he is 88 years old.

Merry H. J. far.; Sec. 23; P. O. Earlville.

**MERTEN W. H.** Clerk; Earlville; born in Colony Township, Delaware Co., Ia., in 1845; he lived there six years; his father became itinerant preacher for the M. E. Church in 1851; they spent the time until 1862 in Iowa, Wisconsin and Illinois; he attended school at Baldwin University, Berea, Ohio; in 1863 and 1864, he moved to Missouri; in the Spring of 1864, he engaged in the nursery business; he enlisted in the Fall of 1864, in Co. B, 43d Mo. V. I.; mustered out in Aug., 1865, closed out his nursery and came to Iowa in 1866; he taught school two years; purchased a farm in 1867; he was married in Oct., 1868, to Miss Kate Seeley, from Wisconsin. They had two children—Eddie F., born Oct., 1870; Clara Alice, born Jan. 4, 1874; his wife died Oct. 1, 1876; he was elected to the office of County Superintendent of Schools in the Fall of 1871; held it four years; in politics, Rep.; religion, Meth.

Metzler J. retired; P. O. Earlville.

**MITCHELL JOSEPH**, Shoemaker; Earlville; born in Germany, 1827;



Logan County Genealogical Society  
P.O. Box 1419  
Guthrie, Oklahoma 73044

June 15, 2012

**HELEN WHANNEL  
209 VALLEY WEST DRIVE  
WEST DES MOINES IA 50265**

**RE: Obit request for: William H. MERTEN**

**Dear Fellow Docent volunteer:**

I am Martha Evans, Secretary of our local Oklahoma Territorial Museum, where this request for the information requested on the above referenced ancestor. I am also the treasurer of the Logan County Genealogical Society, that is housed in the OTM, in Guthrie, OK.

When I saw the name MERTEN on the request, I told a member of the Genealogical Society that there was a Dr. Merten in Guthrie at one time. I did not think that it was the above referenced person, but I remembered a Dr. Merten.

Today, when I picked up this request again off the desk in the Genealogy library, I got busy, and looked in the Summit View Cemetery book that we published in 1989. I did hit the jackpot, I found the following MERTEN'S:

1. William H. Merten born 1845 Died 24 Sep 1918 (could have been 23)
2. Ellen J. Merten born 1948 Died 16 May 1917  
Ellen was listed as wife of WH. Merten, They are buried in Block 35, Lot 158
3. Merten, Edward F. b: 1870, died 4 Dec 1961, No obit located
4. Merten, Ella Mae b: 1905, died 27 Aug 1982, No obit located
5. Merten, Hulda W. b: 1886 died 13 Sep 1957, No obit located
6. Merten, Jessie M. b: 1879 died 6 Dec 1946—Obit included (Mrs. B. B. Merten, also information from Smith Funeral Home. (Included)
7. Merten, R. W., b: 1883 Died 19 Feb 1974, Obit included
8. Merten, Robert Ernest- b 1913, died 23 Dec 1977, Military stone at cemetery. Information from stone included. Not a complete Obit found, just notice of his death in Stillwater, OK. Services listed as pending in Stillwater, did not find a complete Obit. When I got home, I noticed that there were two listings, will look for it tomorrow and send to you.

**(All the above were buried in same Block and Lot of cemetery.**

#7 was the Doctor- a 90 year old retired optometrist, whom I remember living in Guthrie, and Smith Funeral Home was in charge of services. Smith Funeral Home has been in business since the 1920's. Father, Son, Grandson and now Great Grandson, owners through the years. I am so glad to have known every one of them. Great family

We also have a book entitled "Who's Who in Logan County (OK) August 1927, I found Robert W, Merten and Mrs. R. W. Merten listed, individually. this is included. In the write up about both of them the Scottish Rite Cathedral is mentioned.

The Scottish Rite Cathedral was known as the Masonic Temple ( the largest in the World at one time and now is known as the Temple. It is quite impressive, built in Guthrie on 4 square blocks of land, with impeccable lawns and garden, beautiful inside and out. The land that it sets on was designated as "Capital Square" at one time. There was a building built there shortly after the 1889 Land Run that opened this territory. The building was supposed to house the State Legislature, and did for the period of 1889-1911, when Guthrie was the capital of the Territory of Oklahoma then the State Capital until 1907-1911. The capital was moved to Oklahoma City in 1911, by Gov. Charles Haskell.

This has nothing to do with your request, but I love to tell the story. Our Oklahoma Territory Museum their focus is on the years 1889-1912. We have a very active Docent group and very important museum, history wise.

#1 I did look at microfilm of newspapers that we have for 1918, but I was unable to find an obituary for William H. . I looked in index of 1916 obits was unable to find one for Ellen J. Merten. I have an idea, and I will endeavor to find an obit on both of them, just did not have time today.

I certainly hope that you find this as interesting as I did. If you want more information I am certain that I can find some in our City directories and I will endeavor to do this if you wish. I just don't know what information that you wish for and how much you know about this family.

Please let me hear from you soon and I will get busy and try to locate things for you.

Sincerely,



Martha Evans,  
Secretary of Docents,  
Treasurer of Logan Co. Genealogical Society  
406 E. Oklahoma  
Guthrie, OK. 73044

Home Telephone 405/282-1229

LESLIE EUGENE BRIDENSTINE

Funeral services for Leslie Eugene Bridenstine, 81, longtime Coyle resident, will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in Friends Chapel Church near Coyle. The Rev. Ray Sherman, Coyle, will officiate, assisted by the Rev. Paul Snyder, and burial will be in the Oak Grove cemetery, Coyle, directed by Davis Funeral Home.

Bridenstine died Friday in Stillwater Municipal Hospital. He was born Jan. 21, 1893 in Clay County Missouri and was a retired farmer and retired employee of Boeing aircraft. Coming to Oklahoma in a covered wagon, he lived northwest of Perkins until 1913 when he moved to Hobart.

On Dec. 22, 1916, he was married to Ruth Shankle and they moved back to Coyle in December, 1939. She preceded him in death on Sept. 24, 1940. He lived in Coyle with the exception of the years of World War II when he worked for Boeing aircraft in Wichita, Kansas. A sister, Ethel Dobbs made her home with him for the past four years until her death on Feb. 6. Another sister, Peggy Gene, preceded him in death.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Lavone Cundiff, Coyle; two sons, Walter Bridenstine, Coyle, and Dale Bridenstine, Madill; a brother, Vern Bridenstine, Albuquerque, N. M.; 10 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Clarence Shaffer, Bud Carrier, Ed Graham, Ross Jacobs, Pat Smalley and Dick Cundiff.

DR. R. W. MERTEN - *son of William H. Merten*

Services for Dr. R. W. Merten, 90, retired optometrist, are planned for 2:30 p.m. Tuesday in Smith Memorial Chapel. Mrs. Olive Carman will read the Christian Science service and burial will be in Summit View cemetery, directed by Smith Funeral Home.

Masonic services will be conducted at the grave.

Merten died Friday in Atlanta, Ga. He was born March 14, 1883 and came to Guthrie in 1889. He lived here until three years ago when he moved to Atlanta. For 25 years he served as music director at the First Methodist Church, and he was organist at the ~~Scott~~ Scottish Rite Temple for 45 years. A 33rd degree Mason, he belonged to Albert Pike Lodge No. 162, and the Guthrie Consistory.

Survivors include one son, Robert Merten, Stillwater, and one daughter, Mrs. Mary Eleanor Clark, Atlanta, Ga.

MONDAY, FEB. 18, 1974

MRS. EVA LEE EKISS

Services for Mrs. Eva Lee Ekiss, 93, long time Guthrie resident, are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Smith Memorial Chapel. The Rev. Jay Jackson of the West Guthrie United Methodist Church will officiate and burial will be in Summit View cemetery, directed by Smith Funeral Home.

Friends may call at the funeral home until 10 a.m. Tuesday and the casket will not be opened at the services.

Mrs. Ekiss whose home was at 1817 W. Joble, died Sunday at Golden Age Nursing Home. She was born Dec. 11, 1880 in Logansport, Ind., and had lived in Guthrie since 1920. She was a member of the West Guthrie United Methodist Church and Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors are one son, Mark Ekiss, Guthrie, five sisters, Mrs. Ella Potter, Mulhall; Mrs. Cora Bruce, Salem, Ore.; Mrs. Fay Schneider, Alameda, Calif.; Mrs. Mildred McGee; Fresno, Calif., and Mrs. Mae McKissick, Odessa, Texas; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Those wishing to honor her memory may do so with contributions to the Carillon Fund of the First United Presbyterian Church or to the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation.

Pallbearers will be Leo Chappell, Wendell Mohler, Perry Kughn, Willard Jones, Bob Moore and Elbert Davidson.

MRS. LUCY H. DAVIS

Services for Mrs. Lucy H. Davis, 85, are pending at Dawson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Davis, whose home was at 512 S. Wentz, died Sunday at Woody's Senior Citizens Home.

50 Guthrie

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Mrs. Jessie MERTEN

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dob--15 July 1879                      Maysville, KS  
dod--4 Dec 1946                        Benedictine Heights Hosp.  
Residence--116 E. Noble                Spouse--Birney Age-67  
Occupation--housewife                Buried--Summit View Cem.  
Resided in the state--Since-1893  
Cause of death--Myocardial Infection  
Father--John MASSEY                  Ireland  
Mother--Sarah E. ALLEN                Galesburg, Illinois

MRS. KENNETH LANCASTER & TAMMY JO LANCASTER

Mrs. Kenneth Lancaster, 30, and her oldest daughter, Tammy Jo, 8, were killed in a car accident in Alaska on December 8. Mrs. Lancaster was the daughter of the Robert W. Edlunds of Crescent.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth, and twin daughters, Kristy and Jennifer, 3, Soldotna, Alaska; two sisters, Mrs. John Walters, Anchorage, Alaska, and Mrs. Tom Tipton, Medford, Oregon; and one brother, Bobby Edlund, Crescent.

Memorial services were held Sunday, December 11, and the funeral December 12, at Kenai, with burial at Coopers Landing, Alaska.

THURSDAY, DEC. 15, 1977

FRIDAY, DEC. 16, 1977

MRS. ELSIE DORA GOODRICH

Services for Elsie Dora Goodrich, 76, a resident of the Guthrie area for 58 years, will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in Smith Memorial Chapel. Gary Rayburn, minister of the Church of Christ, will officiate and burial will be in Summit View Cemetery, directed by Smith Funeral Home.

Mrs. Goodrich, whose home was on Route 3, Guthrie, died Thursday at Senior Citizens Nursing Home. Born November 1, 1901 at Honey Grove, Texas, she lived here most of her life. A member of the Church of Christ, she was a life member of Naomi Rebekah Lodge No. 5, Guthrie.

Survivors include her husband, Roger, of the home; a daughter, Mrs. Hazel McEwen, Meridian; two sons, Floyd Goodrich, Oklahoma City, and David Goodrich, Stillwater; two sisters, Mrs. Louise Lester and Mattie Mahnke, both of Guthrie; two brothers, Arthur Mahnke, Shawnee, and William, San Antonio, Texas; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Preceding her in death were her parents, three brothers and one sister.

HAZEL CHLOE AVERY

Services for Hazel Chloe Avery, 86, retired nurse, are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Smith Memorial Chapel. Dr. John W. Dowdy will officiate and burial will be in Summit View Cemetery, directed by Smith Funeral Home.

Mrs. Avery died Thursday at her residence, Senior Citizens Nursing Home. Born in Dover Kans., on December 14, 1891, she had lived in Oklahoma most of her life, and in the Guthrie area for the past 10 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a brother, Marion Stonebraker, Oklahoma City; five sisters, Genevieve Maddox, Selma, Calif.; Mrs. E. L. Potter, Tulsa; Mrs. Kathryn VanBradt, Mrs. C. E. Hulsey and Mrs. Susan McKay, all of Guthrie, and 12 nieces and nephews.

Her husband, Fred, preceded her in death.

SUNDAY, DEC. 18, 1977

MONDAY, DEC. 19, 1977

MRS. LORRAINE MARTIN

Graveside services for Lorraine Martin, 115 Ellie Mae Drive, will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Summit View Cemetery. The Rev. Dale DePue will officiate and Davis Funeral Home will ~~officiate and~~ direct the services.

Mrs. Martin died Monday, December 19, 1977 in Presbyterian Hospital in Oklahoma City. She was born July 31, 1919 in Newcastle. She married Lewis A. Martin in 1955 at Anadarko, and he lived in Guthrie the past seven years.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Larry (Pharon) Holden, Guthrie, Mrs. Anthony (Charlotte) Cascio, New Orleans, La., three sons, Robert L. Martin, Oklahoma City, David L. Martin, Omaha, Neb., Charley A. Mayes, Portland, Ore., four brothers, Toby Duncan, Johnny Duncan, Dutch Duncan, all of Long Beach, Calif.; Tub Duncan of Mission, Texas, three sisters, Mrs. Jess Wallace, Chickasha, Mrs. John (Patsy) Whipman, Mrs. Bob (Lil) DeKinder, both of Duncan and seven grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1976, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Duncan, sister, Helma Duncan, and a brother, Clarence Duncan.

Memorials may be made to the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation.

TUESDAY, DEC. 20, 1977

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 21, 1977

ROBERT MERTEN

Word has been received in Guthrie of the death of Robert Merten, former Guthrie resident in Stillwater, Wednesday morning.

Services are pending in Stillwater.

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~~XXXXXX~~ BENNIE DELLING

Services for Bennie Delling, 71, Tecumseh, a Guthrie area resident most of his life, will be held at 1 p.m. Friday at the Tecumseh Funeral Home.

Born at Norman, he lived in this area and was a Tinker Field employee until moving to Tecumseh.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; one son, Grady Delling, Midwest City, and three sisters, Mrs. Millie Brandenburg, Guthrie; Mrs. Fannie Haley, Edmond, and Mrs. Annie O'Neal, Malvern, Ark.

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MRS. G. B. CRUMP (Page 3)

Services for Mrs. G. B. Crump, mother of Pauline Stoehr, were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday at the First Christian Church in Calumet.

Mrs. Crump was born July 28, 1892 at Darlington, Oklahoma and died December 19, 1977 at Baptist Medical Center in Oklahoma City after a few months' illness.

She attended Darlington Indian School. Mrs. Crump was a member of the First Christian Church at Calumet, and the family requests memorial be made to the Calumet Christian Church.

Mrs. Crump was preceded in death by her husband, G. W. Crump, in July. Survivors include two daughter, Mrs. Ray Crum of Calumet and Mrs. Pauline Stoehr, Crescent; two sons, Bert Crum Claremore, and Don Crump of Virginia; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

THURSDAY, DEC. 22, 1977

ROBERT ERNEST MERTEN

Graveside services for Robert Ernest Merten, Stillwater, former Guthrie resident, are scheduled for 11 a.m. Friday at Summit View Cemetery. Helen Carman, reader of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, will officiate and Davis Funeral Home will have charge of arrangements.

Merten, whose home was at 101 W. Virginia, died Wednesday in Stillwater Nursing Home. He was born Oct. 18, 1913 in Charles City, Iowa, he was reared in Guthrie. A Navy veteran of World War II he was married to Ella Mae Powell on April 25, 1948 in Guthrie. They moved to Guthrie from Wichita and then in Stillwater in November of 1963.

Retired as a cable mechanic with 20 years service with Boeing Aircraft Co., he was a Methodist, a former member of Hanner-Sharp American Legion Post, Albert Pike Masonic Lodge No. 162 and a 32nd degree Mason of the Guthrie Consistory.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Dr. Robert William and Hulda Wellmeyer Merten.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; a son, John H. Powell, Dallas, Texas; a sister, Mrs. Dale (Mary Eleanor) Clark, Atlanta, Ga., and one grandchild.

MRS. LOLA REED

Services for Mrs. Lola Reed, 64, Tulsa, wife of a former Guthrie resident, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Friday in Little Cussetah Baptist Church, Sapulpa. The Rev. Jonas Partridge will officiate and burial will be in Little Cussetah Indian Cemetery, Sapulpa, directed by Smith Funeral Home, Sapulpa.

Mrs. Reed died unexpectedly Tuesday, in a Tulsa hospital.

Survivors include her husband, Frank M., of the home on Rt. 13, Tulsa; one daughter; three sons, and nine grandchildren.

Mrs. Glenn Gartman, Guthrie, is a cousin of Mrs. Reed.

FRIDAY, DEC. 23, 1977

MRS. EVELYN MARIE DENSON

Services for Mrs. Evelyn Marie Denson, 40, former area resident, will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Burris-Wall Funeral Home in Parsons, Kans., The Rev. Gerald Locke will officiate and burial will be in Pleasant Hill Cemetery near Parsons, Kans.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 7 to 8 Friday evening.

Mrs. Denson, whose home was in Tulsa, died in Doctors Hospital there, Wednesday. She has been in ill health since February of 1975. Born Dec. 20, 1937 at Kelleyville, she lived in Logan County at Guthrie and Mulhall, and attended Mulhall High School. On Sept. 28, 1956, she married John William Denson and they have lived in Tulsa since that time. She was a member of the Mulhall Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband and two daughters, Debra Lea and Cathy Lynn, all of the home; one brother, John H. Lovelady, Covelo, Calif.; four sisters, Mona M. Cartledge and Bertha Rogers, both of Guthrie; Pauline Masterson, Calpella, Calif., and Mildred White, Van Nuys, Ca. and a number of cousins in Guthrie.

Preceding her in death were her parents, two brothers and one sister.

urance business, and has been in the real estate business for 2 and one half years; was in Navy service during the World War; member of the Presbyterian Church, A. F. & A. M., American Legion, and Modern Woodmen.

**McKEAN, W. E.**—803 E. Warner; owner of Real Estate, Loan and Oil business; born in Blairstom, Mo.; educated in Missouri; Chilacotho Normal school; married Rosie Shoemaker in 1914; has one son and 2 daughters; settled in Garfield county; has been in real estate business since 1915; Mrs. McKean was a missionary in Persia for 8 years; went from First Presbyterian Church of Guthrie; member Presbyterian Church; C. of C., Masons 82°, K. C. C. H.

**McMILLIAN, EVERETT**—Guthrie; manager and buyer of Furniture Dept. in Lintz D. G. Co.; born Seward, Okla., in 1868; educated in Guthrie and at the LaSalle Institute; married Pauline B. Duke in 1920; has one son; was in the grocery business until 1913; wholesale grocery until 1918; Army service during World War; owner of Home Furniture Co., in 1926; started working for Lintz as manager of furniture dept.; member American Legion; and the Masonic Lodge No. 162.

**McNULTY, LEONA**—322 E. Springer; 1st grade teacher at Banner school; born in Logan county in 1900; educated at C. S. T. C. at Edmond, and at the University of Colorado at Boulder, Colorado; she has been teaching since 1918; has been in Guthrie for 7 years; member of the Catholic Church; O. E. A., and the P. T. A.

**McVICKER, FLOYD W.**—1207 W. Mansur; principal of Banner school; born in Hennessey, Okla., in 1898; educated at the Phillips University, Okla. Uni. at Norman; Post Graduate of Columbia, Mo. Uni. of Mo.; married Lois Seely in 1923; has been teaching for 7 years in Medford Hillsdale, and Waukomis; member Methodist Church; Masons 14°, and the Lions Club.

**McVICKER, LOIS, (MRS. F. W.)**—1207 W. Mansur; Sub. for Cottler Junior School;

born in Lyons, Kansas, in 1900; educated in Phillyss University; came to Okla. in 1919; was a teacher three years before her marriage; was private Secretary to President McCash for 2 years; member Methodist Church, O. E. S., Lioness.

**MERTEN, ROBERT W.**—717 East Cleveland; Dr. of Optometry with Crook Optical Co.; born Earlville, Iowa and educated in Guthrie; married Hulda Wellemeyer, 1910; twins, Robert E. and Mary Eleanor; Chorus Director of Ralph Dunbar Productions of Chicago; on Orphum and Kieth circuits, tenor, Studied voice in Chicago, N. Y., and Philadelphia; also graduate of Needles Institute of K. C.; is director of Music of Scottish Rite Cathedral and teacher of voice; member of Methodist Church and Masonic Lodge 32°.

**MERTIN, BIRNEY, R.**—116 East Noble; born Sept., 24, 1879, Earlville, Iowa; and educated in Guthrie; member Methodist Church, Chamber of Commerce, Retailers Ass'n., A. F. & A. M. and is Secretary and Treasurer of Male Temple Chorus; married Jesse Massey, 1907; merchant since 1916, owning Vencedora Cigar Store at 106 East Oklahoma Ave.

**MERTEN, MRS. R. W.**—717 E. Cleveland; Pianist and Organist; teacher of piano, theory, pipe organ; has been a professional accompanist; is pianist for Ladies Temple Chorus; Organist for First Methodist Church for 7 years; organist for Temple for 4 years; Married Robert Merten; has twins, Robert and Mary Eleanor; member Methodist Church; Cambridge Club, Chr., of Fine Arts Dept. of Fed. Clubs.

**METCALF, CARL A.**—606 E. Cleveland; Manager of Guthrie branch of Williamson-Halsell-Frazier Co.; born Overland, Kansas, in 1880; educated in Kansas, Colo., and Guthrie; married Louise Smith in 1910; and started to work for this company in 1895 as a truck driver; worked from that position up to manager; at the time of her marriage, Mrs. Metcalf held the chair of public speaking at Okla. of Univesity; member C. of C.





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Name: **William H Merten**  
Rank at enlistment: **Corporal**  
State Served: **Missouri**  
Service Record: **Enlisted in [Company B, Missouri 43rd Infantry Regiment](#).**  
Sources: **[Index to Compiled Military Service Records](#)**

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Name: **William H**

State Filed: **Oklahoma Territory**

Roll Number: **T288\_323**

**Source Information:**

National Archives and Records Administration. *Civil War Pension Index: General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2000.

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### U.S. Civil War Soldiers, 1861-1865

**Name:** William H. Merten  
**Side:** Union  
**Regiment:** Missouri  
**State/Origin:**  
**Regiment Name:** 43 Missouri Infantry.  
**Regiment Name Expanded:** 43rd Regiment, Missouri Infantry  
**Company:** B  
**Rank In:** Private  
**Rank In Expanded:** Private  
**Rank Out:** Corporal  
**Rank Out Expanded:** Corporal  
**Alternate Name:** William/Merten  
**Film Number:** M390 roll 32

**Source Information:**

National Park Service. *U.S. Civil War Soldiers, 1861-1865* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2007.  
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## 1880 United States Federal Census

Name: **William H Merten**  
 Age: 35  
 Birth Year: abt 1845  
 Birthplace: Iowa  
 Home in 1880: Earlville, Delaware, Iowa  
 Race: White  
 Gender: Male  
 Relation to Head of House: Self (Head)  
 Marital Status: Married  
 Spouse's Name: Nell Jane Merton  
 Father's Birthplace: Prussia  
 Mother's Birthplace: Prussia  
 Neighbors: [View others on page](#)  
 Occupation: Stock Dealer  
 Cannot read/write:  
 Blind: [View image](#)  
 Deaf and dumb:  
 Otherwise disabled:  
 Idiotic or insane:

Household Members:	Name	Age
	<a href="#">William H Merten</a>	35
	<a href="#">Nell Jane Merton</a>	32
	<a href="#">Edwin F Merton</a>	9
	<a href="#">Clara A Merton</a>	6
	<a href="#">Birney R Merton</a>	8m
	<a href="#">Flora M Ketchum</a>	11
	<a href="#">Albert A Favor</a>	36

**Source Citation:** Year: 1880; Census  
 Place: Earlville, Delaware, Iowa; Roll: 336; Family History  
 Film: 1254336; Page: 490D; Enumeration District: 161; Image: 0763.

**Source Information:**

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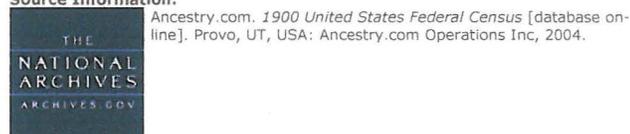
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## 1900 United States Federal Census

**Name:** William H Merten  
**Age:** 55  
**Birth Date:** Mar 1845  
**Birthplace:** Iowa  
**Home in 1900:** Guthrie, Logan, Oklahoma  
 [Logan]  
**Race:** White  
**Gender:** Male  
**Relation to Head of House:** Head  
**Marital Status:** Married  
**Spouse's Name:** Nelle J Merten  
**Marriage Year:** 1879  
**Years Married:** 21  
**Father's Birthplace:** Germany  
**Mother's Birthplace:** Germany  
**Occupation:** [View on Image](#)  
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Household Members:	Name	Age
	<a href="#">William H Merten</a>	55
	<a href="#">Nelle J Merten</a>	52
	<a href="#">Birney R Merten</a>	20
	<a href="#">Robert W Merten</a>	17

**Source Citation:** Year: 1900; Census  
 Place: Guthrie, Logan, Oklahoma; Roll: 1339; Page: 2B; Enumeration  
 District: 137; FHL microfilm: 1241339.

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Edwin F. Merten B: 1871  
Clara Alice Merten B: 1874

### William H Merten

**B:** 8 Mar 1845 in Brookfield, Waukesha, Wisconsin, USA  
**D:** 23 Sep 1918 in Guthrie, Logan, Oklahoma, USA

Kate Seley B:8/6/1848 in Wisconsin

Other spouses (1)

Parents

Frederick Herman Merten  
1820-1898

Katherine Margarete Klaus  
1817-1894

## 1910 United States Federal Census

Name: **William H Merton**  
Age in 1910: **65**  
Estimated Birth Year: **1845**  
Birthplace: **Iowa**  
Relation to Head of House: **Head [Self (Head)]**  
Father's Birth Place: **Germany**  
Mother's Birth Place: **Germany**  
Spouse's Name: **Nell Merton**  
Home in 1910: **Guthrie Ward 5, Logan, Oklahoma**  
Marital Status: **Married**  
Race: **White**  
Gender: **Male**  
Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household Members:	Name	Age
	<a href="#">William H Merton</a>	65
	<a href="#">Nell Merton</a>	62
	<a href="#">Robert Merton</a>	27
	<a href="#">Edgar Balysa</a>	37
		[34]
	<a href="#">Lydia Balysa</a>	30
	<a href="#">Frank Austin</a>	20

**Source Citation:** Year: 1910; Census Place: Guthrie Ward 5, Logan, Oklahoma; Roll: T624\_1260; Page: 2A; Enumeration District: 0130; Image: 300; FHL Number: 1375273.

#### Source Information:



Ancestry.com. 1910 United States Federal Census [database online]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2006.

Original data: Thirteenth Census of the United States, 1910 (NARA microfilm publication T624, 1,178 rolls). Records of the Bureau of the Census, Record Group 29. National Archives, Washington, D.C. For details on the contents of the film numbers, visit the following NARA web page: [NARA](#)

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**William H Merten**

Birth **8 Mar 1845** in [Brookfield, Waukesha, Wisconsin, USA](#)  
 Death **23 Sep 1918** in [Guthrie, Logan, Oklahoma, USA](#)

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8 Mar **Birth**  
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- 1870**  
Age: 25 **Marriage to Kate Seley**  
[Iowa](#)
- 1878**  
1 Dec Age: 33 **Marriage to Ellen Jane Ketchum**  
[Earlville, Delaware Co., Iowa](#)
- 1880**  
Age: 35 **Residence**  
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- 1900**  
Age: 55 **Residence**  
[Guthrie, Logan, Oklahoma](#) [1 source citation](#)
- 1910**  
Age: 65 **Residence**  
[Guthrie Ward 5, Logan, Oklahoma](#) [1 source citation](#)
- 1918**  
23 Sep Age: 73 **Death**  
[Guthrie, Logan, Oklahoma, USA](#) [1 source citation](#)

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**Parents**

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1817 - 1894

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- [Kate Seley](#)  
1848 - 1876
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1871 -
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1874 - 1908

**Other Spouse & Children**

- [Ellen Jane Ketchum](#)  
1848 - 1917
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PERSONAL INFORMATION

**William Henry Merten**  
**Born:** 8 Mar 1845  
 Colesburg, Iowa, USA  
**Died:** 23 Sep 1918  
 Guthrie, Oklahoma, USA  
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Spouse 1

[Ellen Jane Ketchum](#)

**Born:** 31 Jan 1848 in Halfday, Illinois, USA  
**Died:** 13 May 1917 in Guthrie, Oklahoma, USA

**Marriage:** 1 Dec 1878 in Earlville, Iowa, USA

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Children	Sex	Birth
<a href="#">Birney Ray Merten</a>	M	24 Sep 1879 in Iowa, USA
<a href="#">Howard Brooks Merten</a>	M	15 Aug 1881 in Oneida, Delaware, Iowa, USA
<a href="#">Robert William Merten</a>	M	14 Mar 1883 in Earlville, Delaware, Iowa, USA

Spouse 2

[Katharine Seley](#)

**Born:** 5 Aug 1848 in Brookfield, Waukesha, Wisconsin, USA  
**Died:** 1 Oct 1876 in Earlville, Iowa, USA

**Marriage:** 18 Nov 1868 in Grove, Illinois, USA

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Children	Sex	Birth
<a href="#">Edwin F Merten</a>	M	1871 in Delaware, Iowa, USA
<a href="#">Clara A Merten</a>	F	1874 in Delaware, Iowa, USA

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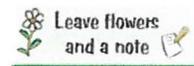
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