

Definition of a Veteran

A veteran is someone who, at one point in one's life, wrote a blank check made payable to "The United States of America", for an amount of "up to and including my life." That is honor, and there are way too many people in this Country who no longer understand it.

Author Unknown



A Prayer for the Military

***Lord, guard and guide the men who fly
And those who on the ocean ply;
Be with our troops upon the land,
And all who for their country stand:
Be with these guardians day and night
And may their trust be in thy might.***

—Author Unknown

REMEMBER

**It was the Veteran, not the reporter,
who has given us freedom of the press.**

**It was the Veteran, not the poet,
who has given us freedom of speech.**

**It was the Veteran, not the lawyer,
who has given us the right to a fair trial.**

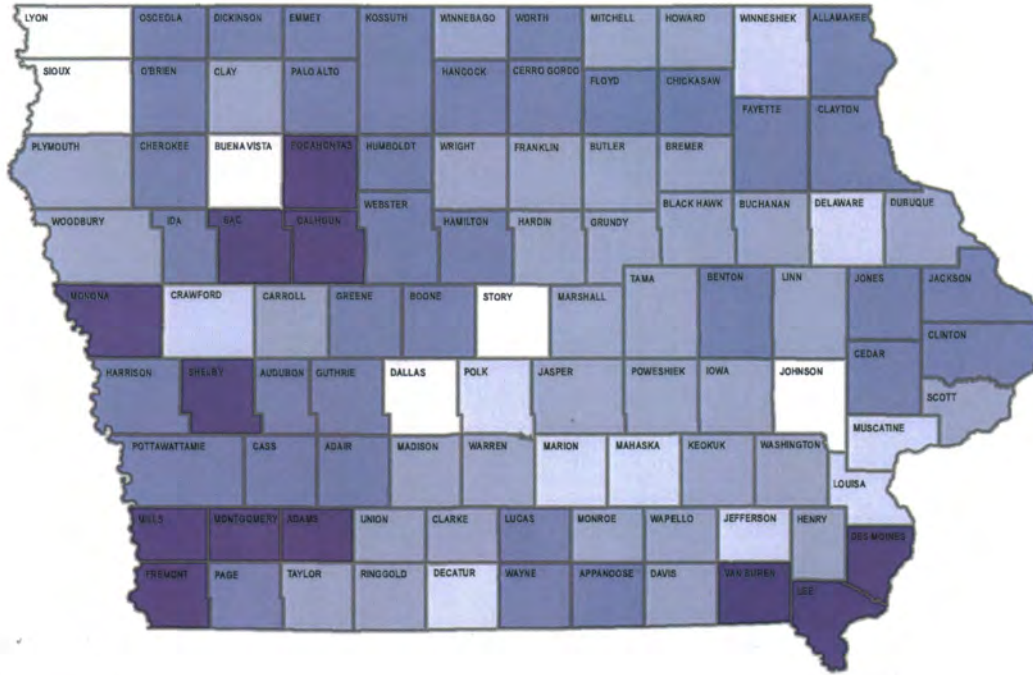
**It was the Veteran, not the campus organizer,
who gave us the right to demonstrate.**

**It is the Veteran who salutes the flag.
Whose coffin is draped by the flag.
Who allows the protester to burn the flag.**

Father Dennis O'Brien, USMC

Veterans as a Percent of Total Population – FY 2016

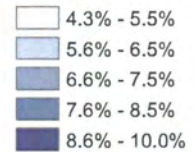
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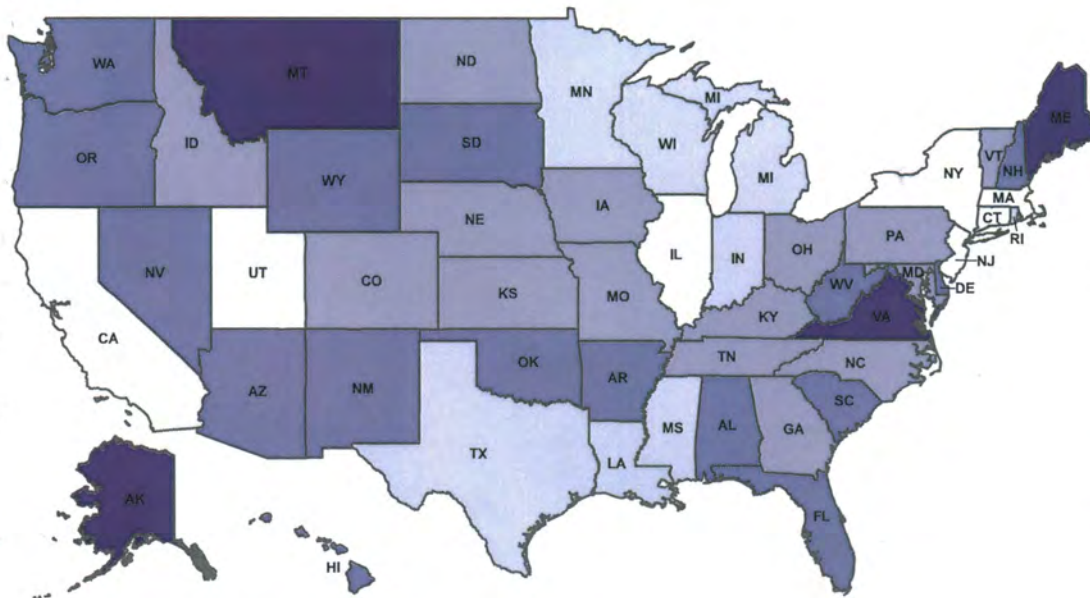
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Iowa Veteran Population

Population by County



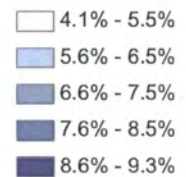
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U.S. Veteran Population

Population by State



Sources: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; U.S. Census Bureau, 2016 Population Estimates; LSA calculations
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Alvin J. Ufkes

March 20, 1925 – May 20, 2006

ANAHEIM HILLS, Calif. – Alvin J. Ufkes, 81, of Anaheim Hills, Calif., and formerly of Carthage, Ill., and Quincy, Ill., died at 4:35 p.m. Saturday, May 20, 2006, in the Tustin Community Hospital, Tustin, Calif.

He was born on March 20, 1925, on the family farm near Basco, Ill., the third son of Fred J. and Tena M. Janssen Ufkes.

He went to country schools, graduating from Carthage High School. He was a graduate of Bradley University and Washington University Law School in St. Louis.

He was a World War II veteran. He enlisted in the Army during World War II, served as a military policeman, and was part of the honor guard at the Potsdam Conference in the summer and fall of 1945, helping President Harry Truman raise the American Flag over Berlin.

In the late 1950s, he was Adams County States Attorney. He was a former Workers Compensation Judge. He practiced law for 56 years, 44 of which were in Orange County, Calif. He was a member of the Orange County Bar Association and the California Bar Association. He was a former member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Carthage, and St. John's Lutheran Church in Orange, Calif.

Survivors include: eight children, Deanna Tsuruda and her husband, Gerald, of Yuba City, Calif., Marian Ufkes of Anaheim Hills, Elizabeth Ufkes Olivera and her husband, John, of Meridian, Calif., Frederick Ufkes and his wife, Cynthia, of Pacific Palisades, Calif.; John Ufkes and his wife, Julia, of Ellensburg, Wash., Nancy Ufkes of Kirkland, Wash., Eric Ufkes and his wife, Megan, of Anacortes, Wash., and Mark Ufkes of Anaheim Hills; a brother LeRoy A. Ufkes and his wife, Joan, of Carthage; a sister Ruth I. Ufkes of Des Plaines, Ill.; seven grandchildren; Michael and Allison Olivera, William and Samuel Ufkes, Reiko Usami, and Aidan and Liam Ufkes; and five nieces.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Dr. Herbert C. Ufkes and John H. Ufkes.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Trinity Lutheran Church, Carthage, with the Rev. Greg G. Busboom officiating.

Burial will be in Immanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery, rural Carthage, with full military honors by Carthage VFW Post 5117.

Visitation is after 9 a.m. Saturday at Trinity Lutheran Church, until the time of services.

Memorials may be made to the Lutheran High School of Orange County, 2222 North Santiago Blvd., Orange, CA 92867.

Lamporte Funeral Home of Carthage is in charge of arrangements.



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DGC 5-24-2006



James P. 'Jim' Ufkes

Nov. 6, 1943 — Sept. 23, 2017

CARTHAGE, Ill. — James Paul "Jim" Ufkes, 73, of Carthage, Ill., passed away Saturday evening, Sept. 23, 2017, at Blessing Hospital in Quincy, Ill.



Jim was born Nov. 6, 1943, the son of John G. and Mildred (Aden) Ufkes in Carthage.

After graduating from Carthage College, Jim served in the U.S. Army where he saw heavy combat as a Vietnam veteran. He later guarded the Czechoslovakian border, where he had the opportunity to spend time with actress Shirley Temple Black.

On April 24, 1982, he was united in marriage to Lori Lencioni Soderstrom.

Jim farmed and was the bus mechanic and driver for the Carthage School District until his retirement in 2002. Previously, he had been a union operator for the Operating Engineers. Jim enjoyed attending auctions, talking and telling stories and taking care of his animals. Jim never knew a stranger and was always willing to help anyone in any way.

Jim is survived by his wife, Lori Ufkes of Carthage; three children, Jeremy (Teresa) Ufkes of Carthage, Molly (Zaza) Tugushi of Columbia, Mo., and J. Chase (Rachel) Ufkes of High Ridge, Mo.; four grandchildren, Jeffrey and Jenna Ufkes and Lucca and Emma Tugushi; and a sister, Carol Bersani of Tallmadge, Ohio.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Trinity Lutheran Church in Carthage, with burial with military rites to follow in Immanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at Printy Funeral Home in Carthage.

Memorials may be directed to the Quincy Humane Society or Hearts of Hancock.

Printy Funeral Home in Carthage is in charge of arrangements.

DGC 9-26-2017



Stephen E. Ufkes

Sept. 5, 1948 — Feb 17, 2018

MACOMB, Ill. — Stephen E. Ufkes, 69, of Macomb, passed away at 8:38 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at Heartland Care Center in Macomb.



Stephen was born Sept. 5, 1948, the son of Junius and Rose (Walker) Ufkes in Keokuk. He attended Carthage High School, graduating in 1966. He then attended one year at Robert Morris College before he was drafted. Stephen served in the U. S. Marine Corps from 1968 until he was honorably discharged in 1970.

In 1969 he was united in marriage to Josephine Taylor and they later divorced.

On September 25, 1976, he was united in marriage to Karen Sterns at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Quincy.

In 1973, he began working for Ameren Gas and served in many cities in the area. From 1992 until his retirement, he served as department foreman in Macomb. Stephen was baptized at Trinity Lutheran Church in Carthage and continued in the Christian faith throughout his life. Stephen loved animals.

Stephen is survived by his wife, Karen Ufkes of Macomb; his daughter, Rita Ufkes of Carthage; stepson, William (Rico) Sterns of Quincy; grandchildren, Michael J. Boyer, Brianna Grisham, China Ufkes and Phalon Sterns; two step-grandchildren, Anthony Mayfield and Lucricia Rehma; a sister, Mary Ann Wintjen of Carthage; two brothers, David and Greg Ufkes, both of Carthage; his dog, Tanner and three cats, Sweetie, Bashful and Tiger.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers in infancy.

Funeral services are at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, at Printy Funeral Home in Carthage with burial to follow in the Immanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery near Basco with military rites.

Visitation is from 3 to 8 p.m. Tuesday evening at Printy Funeral Home in Carthage, with family meeting friends from 6 to 8 p.m.

Memorials may be directed to the Macomb Humane Society, Hearts of Hancock Humane Society in Carthage or the Fresenius Kidney Care Center in Macomb.

Printy Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

DGC 2-20-2018

Bernard H. Uhlmeyer

June 20, 1932 – Oct. 31, 2006

CANTON, Mo. – Bernard H. Uhlmeyer, 74, of Canton, Mo., died Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2006, at his home.

He was born on June 20, 1932, in Lewis County, Mo., the son of George and Amelia Moeller Uhlmeyer.

He married Kathleen M. Kirchner on May 30, 1953, in St. Patrick Catholic Church, St. Patrick, Mo. She survives.

He was a graduate of St. Patrick High School. He served in the United States Army Corps of Engineers. After his service, he became a life long farmer in Lewis County, purchasing his first farm in 1955, and received the Outstanding Farm Achievement award in 1970.

He was a member of the Shrine of St. Patrick Catholic Church where he served as usher and member of the church council. He was also a member of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul, 50-year member of the Knights of Columbus and managed the St. Patrick Cemetery for more than 40 years as financial secretary and president.

He served on the Lewis County Fair Board, Lewis County Farm Service County Committee and Canton R-V School Board.

His greatest loves in life were his wife, children, grandchildren and great-grandchild. He enjoyed fishing, gardening, woodworking and watching his grandchildren in sports.

Additional survivors include: his sons, Richard "Rick" Uhlmeyer and his wife, Tina, of Canton, Les Uhlmeyer and his wife, Cheryl, of Ames, Steve Uhlmeyer and his wife, Terri, of Hawk



Point, Mo., Stan Uhlmeyer and his wife, Kim, of Canton, and Jeff Uhlmeyer and his fiancé, Michelle Mutchler, of Burlington; a son-in-law, Jules DeCoster of Canton; and daughters, Pam Kuckelman and her husband, Brian, of Argyle, Texas; and Beth Ferguson and her husband, Bobbie, of Temple, Texas.

Also surviving are grandchildren, Jesse Uhlmeyer and his wife, Lindsay, Melissa Uhlmeyer and her fiancé, Darin Feldkamp, and Nathan and Ryan Uhlmeyer, all of Canton, Crystal Kulle and her husband, Dan, and great-grandchild, Noah, of Denton, Texas, Tyler and Michelle Kuckelman of Argyle, Texas, Kyle, Erinn, Joel and Evan Uhlmeyer of Ames, Miles, Nick, Katrina and Rockne DeCoster of Canton, Casey and Anna Uhlmeyer of Hawk Point, Lance, Kara and Rachel Uhlmeyer of Canton, and Brandon Ferguson of Temple; two sisters, Mary Jean Wheeler and her husband, Sam, of Williamstown, Mo., and Martha Lesnick and her husband, R.L., of Osage Beach, Mo.; brothers George Uhlmeyer Jr. and his wife, Maxine, and Bob Uhlmeyer and his wife, Mary, all of Canton; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Kathy DeCoster; and infant grandson, Daniel Uhlmeyer.

A mass of Christian burial to celebrate his life will be at 10 a.m. Friday at the Shrine of St. Patrick, with the Rev. Paul Hartley officiating.

Interment, with full military honors by Otto Bruner Post #70 of the American Legion, will be in St. Patrick Cemetery.

Visitation is after 4 p.m. Thursday at Davis Funeral Home, Canton, with family meeting friends from 6 to 8 p.m. There will be a prayer service at 6 p.m.

Memorials may be made to St. Patrick Cemetery Perpetual Care or Blessing Hospice.

DGC 11-1-2006



Kenneth Uhlmeyer

Nov. 7, 1928 — July 8, 2015

ST. PATRICK, Mo. — Kenneth Uhlmeyer, 86, of St. Patrick, Mo., slipped quietly away Wednesday, July 8, 2015, at Lewis County Nursing Home in Canton, Mo.



He was born Nov. 7, 1928, in Canton, the eldest son of Walter W. And Rosaline Moeller Uhlmeyer.

On June 2, 1951, he and Rovene Kirchner were united in marriage at the Shrine of St. Patrick.

Survivors include two sons, Bruce (Melody) Uhlmeyer of Kahoka, Mo., and Greg (Mary Jo) Uhlmeyer of Keokuk; a daughter, Tricia (David) Jenkins of Kansas

City, Mo.; seven grandchildren, Dan (Brandy) Uhlmeyer of Shelbyville, Mo., Wes (Jessica) Uhlmeyer of Monticello, Ill., Cheryl (Lute) Winkelman of Washington, D.C., Kenny (Mary) Jenkins and Brett Jenkins, all of Kansas City, and Ryan and Erin Uhlmeyer, both of Keokuk; seven great-grandchildren, Mason, Robert, Addy and Clara Uhlmeyer of Shelbyville, Ethan and Emily Uhlmeyer of Monticello, and Cora Winkelman of Washington, D.C.; three sisters, Maxine (Leo Jr.) Nichols of Canton, Anna Logsdon of St. Patrick and Dorothy Knickrehm of Walcott; sisters-in-law and brother-in-law, Robert and Rita Kirchner of Canton, Dorothy Kirchner of Kahoka, Eileen Kirchner of Hillsboro and Nancy Uhlmeyer of Alexandria, Mo.; special friend, Hazel Brown, who provided support and companionship in his later years; Kathy Hanlin, who gave attention and care when he most needed it; as well as many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; brother, Ervin Uhlmeyer; and two sisters, Alma Wiskirchen and Rosemary Uhlmeyer.

Kenny attended St. Patrick High School and served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He grew up in St. Patrick and farmed on the land that his great-grandfather homesteaded. He also raised cattle and hogs.

Other than working, he liked to hunt and fish. In his earlier years, he especially enjoyed coon hunting. Each year, he would take a group of kids for a hunt on Friday night after Thanksgiving. Even though the children have all grown up, they have fond memories of tromping through the woods on this annual event with both a prize of catching a coon and a crisp \$1 bill in their pocket for participating.

His passion was cutting timber. He especially enjoyed chopping firewood and running the sawmill. In addition, he looked forward to raising and selling sweet corn throughout the neighborhood. Sports also were a part of his life. He was known as "Lou" well after his baseball days, and it was difficult to beat him in horseshoes.

When his grandchildren came along, he always found time to play with them. He treasured special memories of taking them fishing, golfing and bowling, and playing baseball. They all attribute their math ability to him as he could figure grain and hog prices in his head.

Kenny was a member of the Shrine of St. Patrick and was devoted to his church and faith. He also was a member of the Knights of Columbus. Instilling his faith in his family was an important part of who he was.

Kenny was a gentleman to all. He will be remembered for his kindness, generous spirit, unselfish behavior, honesty and beautiful blue eyes. By nature, he never knew a stranger and could make friends with anyone he met. He was strong, hardworking and loving all the days of his life. He was truly loved and will be greatly missed by his family, friends and community.

Mass of Christian burial will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Shrine of St. Patrick, with the Revs. Wheeler and Boniface as officiants. Burial with military honors will follow in St. Patrick Cemetery.

Friends may call after noon Monday at Wilson Funeral Home in Kahoka, with family receiving friends from 6 to 8 p.m., followed by a Knights of Columbus rosary.

Memorials in lieu of flowers are suggested to St. Patrick Cemetery or St. Patrick Church Tree Fund.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.wilsonfuneralservice.com.

DGC 7-10-2015

Albert G. Ulrich

Aug. 1, 1922-April 13, 1990

CARTHAGE, Ill. — Albert G. Ulrich, 67, of Quincy, formerly of Carthage, died at 6:15 p.m. Friday, April 13, in Blessing Hospital, Quincy.

He was born Aug. 1, 1922, in St. Louis, Mo., the son of Albert G. and Martha V. Wolf Ulrich. He married Dorothy Humsley on Nov. 17, 1945, in Troy, Mo. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in Germany and was head of the Carthage Telephone Co. for many years. After retirement, he worked as a tour guide at the Villa Catherine Castle in Quincy and was a part-time car salesman.

He was of the Lutheran faith.

Survivors include his wife; daughters, Mrs. Patrick (Patricia) Corcoran of Naugatuck, Conn., and Traci Ulrich of Quincy; stepsons, Don C. Ballard of Bloomington, Ill., Terry L. Henderson of Waterlou, Ill., and Robert D. Henderson of Ludowice, Ga.; two grandchildren, 10 step-grandchildren and two stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a stepgrandson.

Services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday at Lamporte Funeral Home in Hamilton with the Pastor Alfred Kruse officiating.

Burial will be in the St. Paul Church Yard Cemetery in St. Louis.

Visitation will be after 2 p.m. today at Lamporte Funeral Home in Hamilton and the family will meet with friends from 6-8:30 p.m.

Memorials may be made in his memory.

DGC 4-16-1990

AUGUST C. ULRICH CALLED BY DEATH

He Was Eighty-eight Years Old and
Had Lived in Keokuk for
Forty-five
Years.

WAS BORN IN GERMANY

He Came to America as a Young Man,
Fought in the Civil War and Lo-
cated in This City Soon
After.

This morning at 9:40 o'clock oc-
curred the death of August Carl
Ulrich at his home, 1603 Bank street,
after an illness of seven weeks which
was caused by blood poisoning which
~~was caused by his hand was hurt in to~~
this time he was in splendid health.
He was eighty-eight years old.

Mr. Ulrich has been a resident of
Keokuk since 1856, when he came
here from Litchfield, Ill. He was a
native of Germany and came to the
United States, first settling in New
Orleans, in 1854, and going to St.
Louis the next year.

The deceased is a veteran of the
civil war, having served in Company
F, Fifth Iowa cavalry. He enlisted
from Keokuk and returned to this
city after the war to make his home.
He was a member of Belknap post
of the G. A. R.

Mr. Ulrich married Miss Theresa
Schima, of this city, May 19, 1866,
who preceded him in death three
years ago. They celebrated their fif-
tieth wedding anniversary four years
ago.

Mr. Ulrich was a cabinet maker
by trade, and he followed that occu-
pation for twenty-seven years in the
Rock Island shops, and later he was
employed in Schmidt's furniture fac-
tory for eighteen years. For the last
few years he has been retired from
business.

Came Here After War.

August Carl Ulrich was born in
Wehrsdorf, Germany, April 3, 1832.
He was the eldest of six brothers.
When he was twenty-two years old
he left his native land and, in his
own words, "came to America with
four comrades." He came to Ameri-
ca with the intention of sometime
returning to his native land, but he
never did so. After his four years'
service in the civil war, he located
permanently in this city and lived
the rest of his life here.

Mr. Ulrich was a member of St.
Paul's Evangelical church and a
member of Belknap post of the G.
A. R. At the time of his death he
belonged to no fraternal organization.

The survivors are four sons, three
daughters, twenty-nine grandchildren,
in this country, and a brother and
several nieces and nephews in Ger-
many. The sons are: August Ulrich,
of Peoria; Albert, of Burlington;
Carl, of Fairfield; Walter, of New
Haven, Conn. The daughters are:
Mrs. Albert Klefer, Mrs. Louis Sells
and Mrs. J. J. Duggan, all of Keo-
kuk.



OAKLAND Cemetery, KEOKUK

DGC 5-8-1920

EMIL W. ULRICH
FORMER LOCAL
RESIDENT DEAD

12/16/35
Quartermaster Sergeant of Old
Company A, Succumbed to
Sudden Heart Attack at His
Home in Sheridan,

Dec 16 Wyoming, 1935

Emil W. Ulrich, 62 years old, former resident of Keokuk, and a member of one of the old and well known families here, died suddenly at his home in Sheridan, Wyo., on Thanksgiving day. While word of his death was received here immediately, additional information on his death has just been received.

Mr. Ulrich was in Keokuk a year ago renewing acquaintances. He was a member of old Company A of the Fiftieth Iowa infantry in the Spanish-American war and was quartermaster sergeant of the organization when it left Keokuk. He was employed here by Frankel-Frank company, milliners, and went to Kansas City with them when they left Keokuk. He was a Pullman conductor out of Kansas City to Billings, Mont., and for twenty-eight years was in the service of the Burlington route as a conductor. He was a member of the Order of Railroad Conductors and also a member of the Spanish War veterans.

Surviving Mr. Ulrich are his widow and a daughter, Dorothy, and son, Harold. His daughter is connected with Veterans' hospital. There are two sisters, Mrs. Ben J. Kirch of Keokuk, and Mrs. M. L. Bishop of Jefferson City, Mo., and three brothers, Robert S. Ulrich of Davenport, Charles H. Ulrich of Kansas City, and Dr. Otto P. Ulrich of Orrville, Ohio.

DAILY GATE CITY
12-16-1935

Richard L. Ullrich

April 3, 1930 – Feb. 23, 1998

COAL VALLEY, Ill. – Richard L. Ullrich, 67, of Coal Valley, Ill., died Monday, Feb. 23, 1998, at Trinity Medical Center-West, Rock Island, Ill.

He was born on April 3, 1930, in Keokuk, the son of Bertram C. and Bertha Kamps Ullrich. He married Donna J. Ketchum on Dec. 2, 1955, in Carthage, Ill. She survives.

Additional survivors include: two sons, Michael and his wife, Bonita, Ullrich of Nisland, S.D., and Matthew and his wife, Nancy, Ullrich of Andalusia, Ill.; two daughters, Marjorie and her husband, Danny, Garrett of Rutledge, Mo., and Mary and her husband, Jeff, Hunt of Maywood, Ill.; 20 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He had been employed as a machine repairman with Hubinger's in Keokuk for 10 years. He was then employed by Farmall I.H. as a machine repairman until their closing, and retired after 23 years of service. His last position was with General Dynamics at the Rock Island Arsenal, until April of 1993.

He was with the National Guard for 10 years.

He was a member and current secretary of the Moline Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 1112, was active with the drill and ritual team, and was past state trustee, president and treasurer of the Eagles. He was a past member of the Friends Circle, current member of the Vikings Thor Lodge #9 and a member of the Svithoid Club, and was a past member of the East End Club, Croation Crest Club, and Moline Lodge #557 B.P.O.E. He was also a member and past secretary of the UAW Local 1310 for 15 years.

He was an avid golfer, a member of the OHS and AHS Golf League, the Titlest Group Golf League, and was a member and treasurer of the Thursday night Mens Golf League.

He was also an avid bowler in earlier years, and participated in various bowling leagues, receiving numerous trophies.

He was a fan of the Cubs and the Iowa Hawkeyes

Funeral services were Friday at Esterdahl Mortuary, Ltd., Moline, Ill.

Burial was in the Moline Memorial Park Mausoleum.

Visitation was Thursday.

A memorial has been established.

DAILY GATE City 3-9-1998

John Unglaub

May 26, 1918-July 23, 1993

BURLINGTON — John F. Unglaub, 75, Burlington, died at 4:36 p.m. Friday, July 23, at Burlington Medical center in Des Moines.

He was born May 26, 1918, at Marblehead, Ill., to John F. and Elsie Brown Unglaub.

He was married Sept. 22, 1944, in Quincy, Ill., to Evelyn M. Bates. She survives.

Survivors also include: two daughters, Mrs. Leon (Sheri) Williams of Walworth, N.Y., and Mrs. Ron (Amy) Willson of Kirksville, Mo.; two granddaughters; two brothers, Lester Unglaub of Quincy and Kenneth Unglaub of Phoenix, Ariz; his mother of Quincy; and several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Unglaub was preceded in death by his father.

He was a retired vice president of Burlington Medical Center and was past administrator of the Klein Unit.

Mr. Unglaub was a veteran of World War II, having served in the U.S. Army Medical Corp, for which he received the Bronze Star.

He was a member of Bethany Lutheran Church, Rotary and "Keen Agers."

Services were 10:30 a.m. today at Bethany Lutheran Church with the Rev. Marvin Tack officiating. Burial was in National Cemetery, Keokuk.

Memorials are established with American Diabetes Association and Bethany Lutheran Church.

Prugh Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

DGC 7-27-1993

UNKNOWN SOLDIER

BONES FOUND UNDER CHURCH

CEMETERP REVEALED BENEATH
HOUSE OF WORSHIP.

WAS OLD SOLDIER

ENGLISH SOVEREIGN OF 1837 IS
FOUND NEAR BONES.

Soldier Probably a Member of
Cavalry Stationed at Montrose
From 1834 to 1838.

Montrose, Ia., Nov. 8, ¹⁹¹³—While excavating under the Episcopal church here yesterday for the purpose of installing a furnace, workmen unearthed the bones of a skeleton. Upon examination the remains proved to be those of an old soldier, as a row of brass buttons was discovered on an old piece of cloth covering the breast bones.

By the side of the skeleton was a buckskin bag which contained an English sovereign of the date of 1837.

By consulting records it was found that the church had been built over the site of an old cemetery, and that it was used up to 1839. Between 1834 and 1838 five troops of United States cavalry were stationed at Montrose, and the supposition is that the bones found yesterday were those of one of the troops, who had died during the stay of the cavalry in this city.

The church where the excavation is being done was built on the present site in 1870, and knowledge of the old cemetery underneath was not revealed till yesterday with the finding of the bones.

UNKNOWN SOLDIER FROM THE 7TH U.S. CALVARY
POSSIBLY A MEMBER OF GENERAL CUSTERS LITTLE BIG HORN CAMPAIGN



Grave #H-839, Section H

Information derived from copies of Original Index cards of the Keokuk National Cemetery

Unknown card marked as "Private Tony" of Company H of the 7th U.S. Cavalry.

Copies of the Unknown Soldiers index cards received 22 June 2018 from Sue Jehlen the Director of the Rock Island National Cemetery and the Keokuk National Cemetery.

This soldier along with eight other soldiers of the 7th U.S. Cavalry were brought to the Keokuk National Cemetery when Fort Yates North Dakota was abandoned. They were interred in Keokuk on 14 Nov. 1908.

This soldier could possibly be from Custers Command and died after the wounded soldiers from the battle of the Little Big Horn were brought East for treatment.

COURTESY OF Ed RADER.

UNKNOWN

Military Rites for Four Held Friday In Nat'l Cemetery

Military rites for four World War II veterans, one of them unknown and the other a member of the Royal Canadian air force, was held at the grave in the National cemetery here yesterday at 1:30 p. m.

This was a group burial for four veterans in two caskets. They were members of a B-25 crew which was participating in a night raid over three German air bases located near Sidi Hannish, Egypt. Four of a large group of planes were lost in heavy anti-aircraft fire.

Returned for the burial were 2nd Lt. Charles A. Horr, of Webster Groves, Mo.; Sgt. Elvin L. DeLaney of Bellot, Wis.; F/Sgt. Edward W. Haglund, Royal Canadian Air Force of Fort Francis Ontario, Can.; and an unknown soldier.

Originally they were buried in the United States Military cemetery at El Alla, Algeria.

A short service was held in the Schmidt Memorial Home at 1 p. m. with the Rev. G. E. Graham officiating. Members of the families of the three known veterans were here for the rites.

The military service was conducted by John Talbott, commander of Keokuk Post 41 of the American Legion assisted by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Power City Post 3508.

The Rev. Mr. Graham was chaplain; the colors and color guard from the V. F. W. was Augie Lehman, F. J. McCoy, Ed Morrissey, Thomas Flaherty and G. L. Bode; the firing squad from the Legion comprised Roy Altheide, Joseph Ireland, Vern Notestein and George Shaw; the buglers were Tommy Atkins and Levi Fry.

The military escort was Lt. William D. Ready of the U. S. air force. Pallbearers, all members of the American War Dads were B. P. Dennon, George Burns, Harry Robertson, C. E. Peel, Hugo Anderson, Freeman Griggs and J. J. Donnelly.

DGC 2-11-1950

ARMED FORCES GRAVES REGISTRATION RECORD

LEE COUNTY

This Record Filed by Soldiers Relief Commission

RECORD No.

County Lee War Served in World War 2

Full Name of Deceased Unknown
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Age Nearest Birthday _____ Race _____

Last Known Address _____
(City or Town) (State) (County)

Place of Death Near Sisi Hannish Egypt (Street Number, Etc.) Date of Death 9-14-1946

Place of Burial Lee Keokuk Jacks on
(County - City - Town or Township)

Name of Cemetery U. S. National D 330 -4 in one casket
Grave Location (Section, Lot and Block No.)

Date of Burial 2-10-1950 2-2/9

Father of Deceased _____
(Name and Address)

Mother of Deceased _____
(Name and Address)

Wife or Husband _____
(Name and Address)

Other Blood Relatives _____
(Name and Addresses)

Membership Veterans Organizations _____
(Names and Year)

Serial Number in Armed Forces _____

Rank at Time of Discharge _____

Birth of Deceased, Date _____ Place _____

Induction into Armed Forces, Date _____ Place _____

Discharged from Armed Forces, Date KIA

Place Discharged _____

Branch of Armed Forces Air Force

Organization Served with B 25

Type of Discharge KIA

Remarks: Funeral Director Carl Schmidt- Mil Escort William D Ready
First buried in U. S. Mil Cem. El Alia Algeria-
American Vets members of B 25 which participated in night raids
over three German Air bases- near Sidi Hannish Egyp- 4 of a large
Group of planes were lost in heavy anti-aircraft fire
Registered by Inez Roberts.

Keokuk National Cemetery
1701 J Street, Keokuk, Iowa 52632

Section D Grave 330

Organizational Information

82nd Bombardment Squadron
12th Bombardment Group (Medium), 12th Air Force
Sidi Hinnish, Egypt

Aircraft Manufacturer

North American Aviation Incorporated, Inglewood, California

Aircraft Type

B-25C-NA

Aircraft Name

Mitchell

Aircraft Tail

41-12858

Facts and Circumstances

This grave marks the final resting place for four individuals who were killed aboard this aircraft that departed from Sidi Hinnish, Egypt on a combat mission. A Missing Air Crew Report could not be located for this mishap but one document found indicates that this plane was one of four missing on a combat mission. Reports from British personnel at the time indicate it was one of three found near Sidi Hinnish, Egypt. The Pilot was the only survivor. Combat actions for this date were as follows: 11th Air Force: In the first combined heavy mission over Kiska thirteen B-24s, one B-17, fourteen P-38s, and fourteen P-39s fly low-altitude and photo runs. The P-39s shell three subs in the harbor. The other aircraft bomb and strafe many installations including AA guns and the submarine base. A single aircraft also strafes Segula. Enemy losses are five float planes shot down and one flying boat destroyed on the water. Two mine sweepers sunk and another vessel slightly damaged; while a large cargo vessel and several small barges and vessels sustain hits. Two P-38s are lost, colliding head-on while after a fighter. 5th Air Force: A single A-20 bombs ground forces and installations at Myola. 12th Air Force: Headquarters, 12th Air Force, XII Fighter Command, and XII Bomber Command are attached to corresponding units of 8th Air Force: in United Kingdom. The Eighth subsequently handles the buildup of the Twelfth by assigning a large number of its own units to the new Air Force and supervises its training. The first increment of tactical and service units includes. Two heavy bomber groups, three medium bomber groups, one light bomber group, four fighter groups, three Troop Carrier groups, and several engineer, signal, and service units of varying sizes. B-24s attack shipping at Suda Bay, setting one vessel afire, while other heavy bombers hit Tobruk P-40s fly sweep with Royal Air Force over front-lines. 12th Bombardment Group History: Constituted as 12th Bombardment Group (Light) on 20 November 1940 & activated on 15 January 1941. They trained with B-18, B-23, & PT-17 aircraft & patrolled the west coast after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Unit was redesignated 12th Bombardment Group (Medium) in December 1941 and using B-25 aircraft they began training early in 1942 for duty overseas. They moved to the Middle East, July-August 1942 & assigned to Ninth Air Force where they attacked storage areas, motor transports, troop concentrations, airdromes, bridges, shipping, marshalling yards, and targets in Egypt, Libya, Tunisia, Pantelleria, Lampedusa, Crete, Sicily, and Italy, August 1942-January 1944. They supported the Allied drive from Egypt to Tunisia, October 1942-April 1943. Early in 1943 two squadrons operated with Twelfth Air Force, assisting Allied forces moving eastward across North Africa, while the other squadrons continued operations with Ninth Air Force, bombing enemy defenses along the Mareth Line. Moved to India; February-April 1944, and assigned to Tenth Air Force where they engaged chiefly in missions against the enemy in Burma, April 1944-May 1945. They bombed communications, military installations, and other objectives and delivered ammunition to Allied forces at Imphal. Began training with A-26 aircraft in the summer of 1945. They returned to the United States, December 1945-January 1946 & inactivated on 22 January 1946. They were redesignated 12th Bombardment Group (Light), activated on 19 May 1947, not manned during 1947-1948 & inactivated on 10 September 1948. On 22 March 1972 this unit was inactivated and redesignated as the 12th Flying Training Wing and remains that today at Randolph Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. All remains recovered after the war were examined and extensive efforts made to segregate and effect the individual identification, but it was not possible due to circumstances of the crash and the commingling of remains. Casualty date was 14 September 1942 and these remains were returned to Keokuk National Cemetery for interment on 10 February 1950. Besides the crew members identified, there was one other individual on this aircraft at the time of the crash that was not listed on the mission reports or the aircraft manifest. These remains could not be positively identified and they are listed as an Unknown Soldier.

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>MI</u>	<u>Suf</u>	<u>Branch of Service</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Crew Position</u>
Delaney	Elvin	L		US Army Air Forces	Sgt	Aerial Gunner
Haglund	Edward	W		Royal Canadian Air Force	1Sgt	Radio Operator/Aerial Gunner
Horr	Charles	A		US Army Air Forces	2Lt	Navigator/Bombardier
<u>Soldier</u>	<u>Unknown</u>					

Other individuals on this aircraft/mission

Co-Pilot

Thomas, William J II, 2Lt, US Army Air Forces
Missing in Action or Buried at Sea. Listed on the Tablets of the Missing at North Africa American Cemetery, Carthage, Tunisia
German records indicate he died of wounds received and was buried in an English cemetery at Mersa Matruh, Egypt

Pilot

Redburn, Leonard P, 1Lt, US Army Air Forces
Survived this crash and was returned to duty

NORMAN UNSWORTH

Many Attend Mass Burial

8-24-1949
Mass burial of 11 U. S. Navy men who were killed in the Mediterranean shortly before the invasion of Sicily was conducted in the National cemetery yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock with the Keokuk and Quincy American Legion posts, Keokuk and Edina, Mo., V. F. W. posts and Keokuk War Dads participating.

Also here for the service was John Culley of Dixon, Ill., executive officer of the LST 387 on which eight of the 11 men were killed. Now a civilian, he flew from Dixon to attend the rites with Lawrence C. Albertson, chief machinist's mate, who served as military escort.

Families Here.

Families of several of the men whose homes ranged from Quincy, Ill. to Lodi, Calif. and West Virginia, were present.

The bodies were those of Howard F. Boltz, M. M. 2/c of Quincy; Emerson R. Brown, MOMM 1/c of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Warren D. Brown, F 1/c Millwood, W. Va.; Reid V. Cameron S 2/c of Moline, Ill.; Elmer V. Dockter, S 2/c of Lodi, Calif.; Lewis V. Crumly MOMM 1/c of Denver, Colo.; Guy D. Fallow SC 2/c of Ridge Springs, S. C.; James L. Kop-

pel F 1/c of St. Louis; James C. Shoun MM 3/c, Vivian W. Va.; Norman Unsworth RM 2/c of Providence, R. I. and Charles R. Walton WT 2/c of Memphis Tenn.

Memorial Service

A memorial service was held Tuesday morning in the Schmidt Memorial Home with the Rev. Gilbert Stout and the Rev. James Kelly officiating.

Military rites were conducted at 1 p. m. with Keokuk post 41 of the American Legion in charge with the assistance of Keokuk post 3508 V. F. W. and the American War Dads.

John C. Warnock was commander and the Rev. Mr. Stout and Father Kelly the chaplains.

Veterans Organization

Color and color guards were supplied by the Quincy American Legion and the Keokuk and Edina, Mo. V. F. W. posts. The members were: Hugh P. Kirchner, Walter Williams, Robert Miller and Parnell Olsen of Quincy; Leon Karhoff, Lloyd Karhoff, Bill Berberet, Ernest Rowlinson, Clarence Gilbert and W. M. Stoner of Edina; and Pearl Brant, Harold Turtle, Edward Morrissey, and G. L. Bode of Keokuk.

Keokuk post of the Legion provided the firing squad of Thomas Flaherty, Roy Altheide, John Brilon, Max Blake and Ronald Bramhall. Tommy Atkins and Levi Fry were the buglers.

The pallbearers, members of the Keokuk War Dads, were James S. Campbell, Freeman Griggs, Charles Peel, J. J. Donnelly, Hugh Thorn, A. L. Schneider, the Rev. H. P. French, Jack Senf, Thomas Knobbs and Harry Robertson.

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ARMED FORCES GRAVES REGISTRATION RECORD

LEE COUNTY

This Record Filed by Soldiers Relief Commission

RECORD No.

County Lee War Served in W. W. # 2

Full Name of Deceased Unsworth Norman
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Age Nearest Birthday _____ Race _____

Last Known Address Providence R. I.
(City or Town) (State) (County)

(Street Number, Etc.)

Place of Death Sicily Torpedoed, Mediterran Date of Death June 22 1943

Place of Burial Lee Keokuk Jackson
(County - City - Town or Township)

Name of Cemetery U. S. National Sec. D. Graves 188-189 Mass Burial
Grave Location (Section, Lot and Block No.) 11 in 5 caskets

Date of Burial August 23 1949

Father of Deceased _____
(Name and Address)

Mother of Deceased _____
(Name and Address)

Wife or Husband Katheryn G Unsworth 81 Alveison Ave - Providence R. I.
(Name and Address)

Other Blood Relatives _____
(Name and Addresses)

Membership Veterans Organizations _____
(Names and Year)

Serial Number in Armed Forces 4003654

Rank at Time of Discharge R.M./C

Birth of Decèased, Date _____ Place _____

Induction into Armed Forces, Date _____ Place _____

Discharged from Armed Forces, Date KIA

Place Discharged KIA

Branch of Armed Forces Navy

Organization Served with LST

Temp Burial at El Alia Mil. Cem. in Algeria

Type of Discharge _____

Remarks: Funeral Director- Carl Schmidt- Mil Escort Lawrence C Albert son- Chief Mch Mate- John Culley member of the Crew also attended from Dixon. Ill. Mil. Serv. American Legion- V. F. W. American War Dads.

Registered by Inez Roberts- for Luke Miller S.R. C. Lee / Co. Keokuk.
 8-25-1949

Keokuk National Cemetery
1701 J Street, Keokuk, Iowa 52632

Section D Grave 188

Organizational Information

Amphibious Force Eight Fleet, Landing Craft Group
U.S.S. LST-333 and U.S.S. LST-387
Dellys, Algeria

Facts and Circumstances

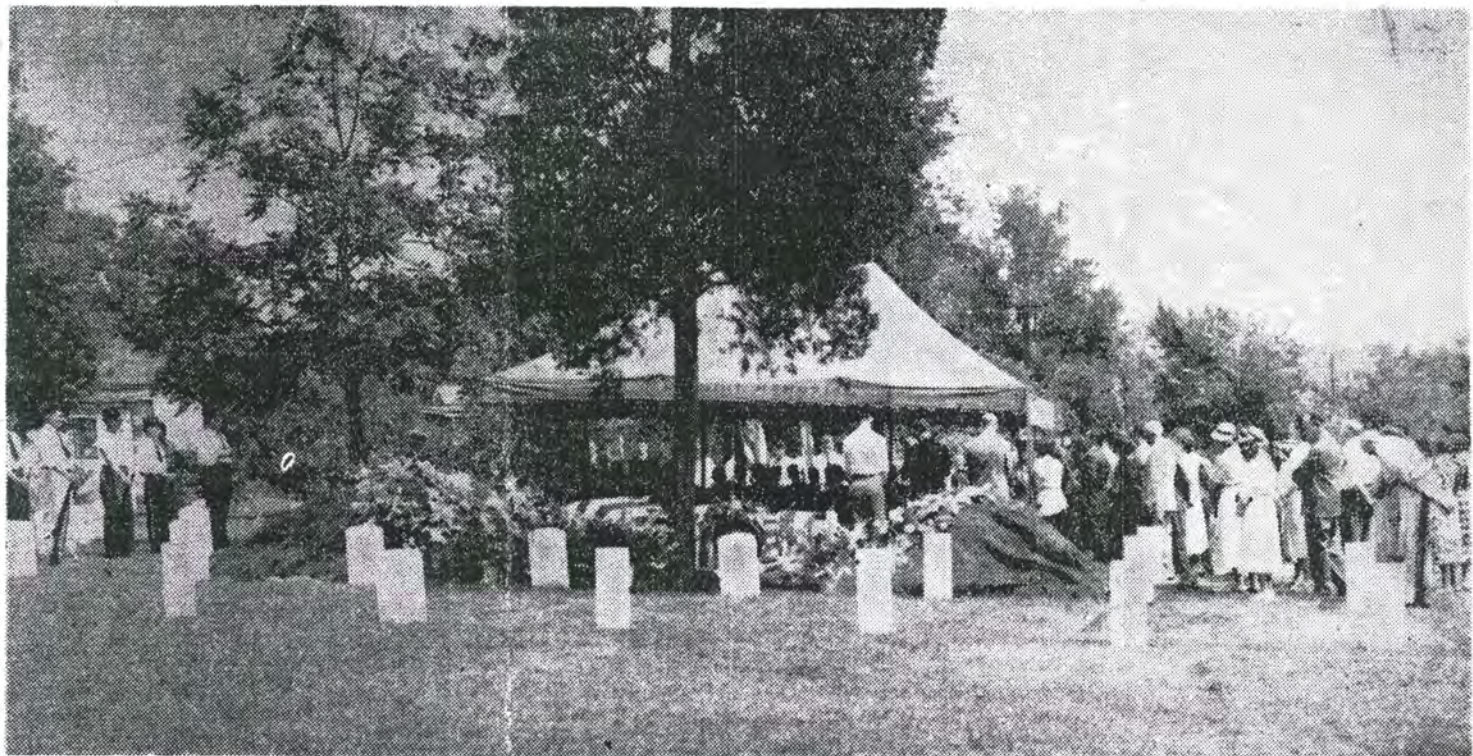
This grave marks the final resting place for eleven individuals who were killed in the vicinity of Dellys, Algeria while aboard the USS LST-333 or USS LST-387 on 22 June 1943. Following comments are a portion taken from the Final Report on the Torpedoing and Beaching of U.S.S. LST-333. "(1) At Approximately 1915 hours, CGT, on June 22, 1943, this vessel, while steaming in Convoy Elastic, enroute from Arzew Algeria to Bizerte, Tunisia. Position was Latitude 37 degrees 59' 30" N and Longitude 4 degrees 01' 30" E. The sun had just set and visibility was excellent. At this time a terrific concussion occurred on the starboard side of the stern. This was followed by a sharp surge of the stern which may have been a second concussion. There was no water spout and no flash. There was, however, sulphurous fumes and smoke. No after burning evidenced itself on the surface. The explosion demolished the stern section aft of frame #48, the main deck remaining intact. The screws and rudder were carried away, and the engines stopped. The damage on the second deck extended forward to frame #48. On deck the 3"/50 caliber gun platform was tilted upward at its after end, and the stern anchor engine had been forced upward against the gun platform. The crews quarters was a shambles of bent steel and flesh, with a fifteen-foot hole leading into the space that was formerly the steering engine room. This section had been completely blasted away, and the main sections of the steering wheel blown into the port side at frame #30, and thwartships across the entire port side at frame #27. Although there was an appreciable hole blown at the corner of the freight hatch, port side at frame #28, the hatch itself did not evidence serious damage. The auxiliary engine room filled with fuel oil and salt water in approximately eight minutes. An inspection at the time showed fuel oil and sea water coming out of the port escape trunk and apparently from a broken salt water cooling line. Since A-422-F was the only fuel tank which contained sufficient fuel to fill the engine rooms, the bulkhead between this trunk and auxiliary engine room must have collapsed. The main engine room was not immediately flooded and both engines were in running condition, but were stalled due to the damage to the propellers. Later, however, the main engine room flooded because of an open seam to the auxiliary engine room and other leaks. This officer was on the bridge at the time, and was hurled forward at a distance of twenty feet. I regained my feet by pulling myself erect with the hand rail, as my legs seemed paralyzed and my senses did not seem to function properly. Everything seemed vague and remote. Smoke and fumes appeared to envelop the ship from frame #40 aft. I am told I ordered the after magazines flooded, but of this I have no recollection. I grasped that the LST #387 had been hit and searched the scene for sun-marines and planes, but saw no evidence. All forward guns were intact and the crew remained at their posts, but the gun crews on the 3"/50 caliber gun and the two after 20/MM were killed or knocked out. Approximately two minutes had then elapsed, and my head was clearing when ships officers reported to me for instructions, as the phone system had gone out. A rescue detail was organized to work with the damage control party, and we began removing the injured and dead from the damaged area. as this was going on, and in a period of about ten minutes, I gained control of my legs which, though numb, permitted me to carry on my duties. (4) The principal casualties occurred to the ships Company with 16 dead, 1 missing and 31 injured. A final check on the passengers indicates 5 dead, 3 missing, and 24 injured to be exact. This was of an original Ships Company of 77 and a passenger list of 211. About twenty minutes after the explosion occurred, the LCT's #244 and #19 came close in and stood by to render assistance." All remains recovered after the war were examined and efforts made to segregate and effect the individual identification, but it was not possible due to circumstances of the crash and the commingling of remains. Casualty date was 22 June 1943 and these remains were returned to Keokuk National Cemetery for interment on 23 August 1949.

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>MI</u>	<u>Suf</u>	<u>Branch of Service</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Ship Assigned</u>
Boltz	Howard	F		US Navy	MM2	USS LST-387
Brown	Emerson	D		US Navy	MOMM1	USS LST-387
Brown	Warren	D		US Navy	F1	USS LST-387
Cameron	Reid	V		US Navy	S2	USS LST-333
Crumley	Lewis	V		US Navy	MOMM1	USS LST-333
Dockter	Elmer	V		US Navy	S2	USS LST-387
Fallow	Guy	D		US Navy	SC2	USS LST-387
Koppel	James	L		US Navy	F1	USS LST-387
Shoun	James	C		US Navy	MM3	USS LST-333
Unsworth	Norman			US Navy	RM2	USS LST-387

WALTON CHARLES R

LST-333 was laid down on 17 July 1942 at the Norfolk Navy Yard; Virginia and launched on 15 October 1942. She was commissioned on 20 November 1942. She was torpedoed off Dellys, Algeria, on 22 June 1943 and struck from the Navy list on 6 July 1943.

LST-387 was laid down on 20 June 1942 at Newport News Ship Building and Drydock Company, Newport News, Virginia and launched 28 September 1942. She was commissioned on 17 November 1942. She was damaged by a German submarine torpedo between Algiers and Bizerte, 22 June 1943, and subsequently repaired. Decommissioned, 2 May 1946 and Struck from the Naval Register, 19 July 1946



KEOKUK'S NATIONAL CEMETERY was the scene yesterday of the mass burial of 11 naval men who lost their lives in the Mediterranean during World War II and were returned here for burial in five caskets. Veterans' organizations from Keokuk, Quincy, and Edina, Mo., took part in the military rites.

—Gate City Photo by Carey Oliver

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GEORGE UPP IS SUMMONED AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Veteran Painter of Landscapes, Portraits and Still Life, Dies at Green Home Near Hamilton.

George Upp, veteran painter of landscapes, still life and portraits, known over the entire world for the excellence of his paintings, died at one o'clock this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Alice Green, near Hamilton, Ill., where he had his studio and art gallery. He was eighty years and two months of age at the time of his death, and had been painting pictures for more than half a century. Pneumonia was the cause of his demise, and he had been ill but two days with this disease.

Mr. Upp was well known in Keokuk and this entire vicinity. He had worked here and through Hancock county painting as his fancy directed, the still life and landscape subjects that he loved so well to convert to canvases. He had also painted many portraits of prominent people in this community. His paintings are scattered over the entire United States, and have been purchased in European countries by critics who recognize the fineness of his work.

Painted for Fifty Years.

For fifty years or more, Mr. Upp's brush was active, and he worked it seemed incessantly, for when dusk came and he could no longer distinguish the delicate tints on his palette, he would lay down the brush and begin his work of modeling the picture frames into which the masterpieces would be fitted. His philosophy of life was summed up in his own words, when he said:

"Work is the formula for the best that can be obtained from life. I am at my work all the time and it has kept me happy and contented through the years."

Replacing Burned Treasures.

Even to the last, Mr. Upp was busy at his canvases. For even at the age of four score years he was undaunted by the great loss which came to him when two years ago his studio burned and he lost many of his best pictures. He fulfilled the promise made to his dying son that he would go ahead and replace as many of these as he could.

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Mr. Upp had constructed not only a studio and art gallery, but a long hall where his friends could gather at parties and merry-makings, and Ivywild was one of the favorite picnic spots of the community, chairs and long tables being provided in the yard of the homestead for the use of the visitors.

Mr. Upp's funeral probably will be held Sunday, although definite announcement of this is to be made later. He is survived by one son, Harry Upp, of

IN MEMORY OF GEORGE UPP

MRS. Alice D. Green of Ivywild, with whom George Upp, the artist, made his home for many years, has written the following poem in his memory, which will be of interest to Keokuk people who have visited at Ivywild and enjoyed the hospitality and entertainment of Mrs. Green and Mr. Upp:

He came to the end of the long, long trail,

And gazed across the Bar;
Saw welcoming hands and golden strands,

And light of Evening star:
Heard music that mortals cannot hear,

Heard anthems in Heaven sung;
Heard shouts of joy for a soul returned,

Bearing gifts of a life well run.

The shadow of an Angel's wing,
Had long hovered o'er the place,
Biding it's time 'till his work was done,

Then mothering took him in kind embrace.

And gave a smile and a sigh;
Obedient he laid his palette down,
A smile for the joys awaiting him,
A sign for his last "Good-bye."

We cannot think of him as dead,
Ah! no, for such things cannot be;
The creative power that could fashion a soul,

Created for Eternity.
Could we but brush the veil aside,
That hides him from our sight,
We'd see him again in glory and pride,
Basking in sunny light.

We'd see the same old welcoming smile,
The lilt and tilt of his hand;
As he beckons us all to join him there,

In God's own blessed land.
Fondly we'll hope to meet him there,
When time and care shall cease,
Proudly he'll wave his Canvas high,
And show us his masterpiece.

UPP WILL BE BURIED AT "IVY WILD"

George Upp, veteran artist who yesterday, will be buried today afternoon in the doryard the home which he has occupied for many years, the homestead of Mrs. Alice Green, near Hamilton, known as Ivywild. The services will be held at 1 o'clock in charge of Rev. R. L. Schwab of Hamilton.

Mr. Upp, whose death occurred at one o'clock yesterday at Ivywild, following a two day's illness with pneumonia, was born October 14, 1844 in Aurora, Indiana. When a lad of eight years he came to Iowa with his parents, living in this state until he was twenty years old when he went to Chicago to study art, his teacher being a master named Healey.

The middle west has been the field of Mr. Upp's endeavors in paintings, and his subjects have been taken from the hills, valleys, fields and orchards of this section. He has painted the portraits of many of the supreme court justices of the state. Eight of his paintings hang in the historical department building in Des Moines, and he has seven canvasses hung in the buildings at Washington, D. C.

Mr. Upp's pictures found ready sale in this vicinity as one may judge from the fact that 200 have been sold in Warsaw, and 211 in Keokuk. Any number of his portraits have been painted at Carthage, where there hundred of his canvasses in the homes in the capital of Hancock county.

Mr. Upp's only survivor is his son, Harry Upp, of Chicago. One son, Edward Upp, died in Keokuk a few years ago.

Mrs. Green's Library has gone hand in hand with the Art Gallery, and will be left for the benefit of this community.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. L. Schwab of Hamilton, at Ivywild on Sunday, December 14.

According to his last wish he was laid to rest at the east side of the Lion Monument at Ivywild.

Among the out of town friends at Mr. Upp's funeral were: Mr. Harry Upp, Chicago, Illinois; Mr. Marvin Upp, Moberly, Missouri; Miss Cora Upp, Chicago, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. John Wardlow, Montrose, Iowa; Dr. Sara Janson, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Galloway and daughter, Mooar, Iowa; Large numbers from Keokuk, Quincy, Carthage, Nauvoo and Warsaw.

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The Keokuk Citizen

1-9-1925

Talented Artist Sleeps in Dooryard Near Studio

GEORGE UPP, the well-known portrait and landscape painter, is sleeping beneath the sod of Ivywild, the pastoral home south of Hamilton, Ill., where he had lived for the past thirty years. A stone lion in the yard is his headstone. It was his wish that he be buried in the yard near his studio and art gallery.

Two years ago his studio was destroyed by fire, but he erected a new and larger one, brought forth his pallet and brushes and soon had the walls resplendent with a new set of paintings to take the place of those destroyed. Ivywild, where he made his home with Mrs. Alice Green, became a favorite stopping place for motorists. Benches and tables were placed on the lawn for the use of picnic parties, and all guests were treated royally by Mr. Upp, Mrs. Green and others of the household. Thousands of people have spent happy hours there during the summer, enjoying the exhibit of paintings and hearing Mr. Upp play his violin.

He was a true artist and, like the prophet of old, was best known far away from home. Two thousand of his paintings have been sold, and at one time, while a resident of Keokuk, he painted 211 portraits of Keokuk people. Hundreds of his works of art are in the homes of the east, for

he found a ready sale for his finished productions in Buffalo and other places.

On the east wall of the Keokuk public library are a number of portraits painted by Mr. Upp, and in many of the homes of Keokuk are life-sized pictures which he painted in 1876-9.

He painted for the love of it and never sought publicity. Every detail, every shade of his productions had to be perfect or he was not satisfied. His creations were lifelike. He refused to paint a sensational picture. "I could make lots of money if I would do as some painters do and paint sensational pictures," he once said. He took pleasure in creating an exact image of a bit of forest, a glimpse of nature, or the portrait of a child. The same talent exerted on an imaginary subject, or a gaudy, dashing picture painted for selling purposes only, would have brought him more money and more fame, but he did not care for that.

He did not care for public approval and applause. He painted as he wished to and turned a deaf ear to the dictum of others. He wished to live in a quiet place, out among the green fields where there were birds and flowers, sunshine and meadow streams, the song of the lark and now and then a friendly visitor, where a man in the sunset of

life could work at his art when and how he pleased, or rest and read, or play upon his violin.

When he had his studio in Keokuk he was invited by Harry Green, who had been sitting as a model, to spend the night on the Green farm. This he did, and the place proved so attractive to him that he made it his home. Here he had lived for many years, plying his brush almost constantly and moulding the frames for his completed pictures—a really great artist hidden from the public which would have been glad to make a popular idol of him and shower him with praise. And here he passed away after but two days' illness with pneumonia, and when he realized that his days were numbered he asked that his final resting place be in the little farmyard of Ivywild.

He was born October 14, 1844, in Aurora, Ind., but came to Iowa with his parents when a lad of eight years. He attended Cooper Institute in New York for awhile, but had to return home when his father's health failed. He entered the army during the Civil war, and after being mustered out in 1865 went to Chicago and studied portrait painting under Healy. While there he painted the scenery for McVicker's theatre.

He came to Keokuk in 1876 and for four years painted portraits. In 1880 he returned to Chicago and while there was commissioned to go to Mexico to paint portraits of the family of the commander-in-chief of the Mexican army, who was introduced by Potter Palmer. Mr. Upp spent eighteen months in Mexico,

where he painted portraits of many of the famous men of that country and members of their families. He returned to Chicago in 1887 and a year later came to Keokuk to assist John M. Huiskamp in preparing his panorama. From Keokuk he went to the Green farm south of Hamilton, where he remained until his death.

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Kurt Upton

March 19, 1974 – June 3, 1999

NAVARRE, Fla. – USAF Staff Sgt. Kurt Upton, 25, of Navarre, Fla., formerly of Niota, Ill., died Thursday, June 3, 1999, from injuries sustained in a helicopter crash near Fort Bragg, N.C.

He was born on March 19, 1974, in Burlington, the son of Kenneth and Rose Mary McBride Upton. He married Kathrine Crouch on Aug. 28, 1998, in Destin, Fla. She survives.

Additional survivors include: a son, Kollin Upton, at home; his parents of Niota; a brother, Keith Upton of Scott Air Force Base, Belleville, Ill.; maternal grandmother, Gloria McBride of Nauvoo, Ill.; paternal grandparents, Bob and Irene Yeager of Wever; a nephew, Kyle Upton of Burlington; a niece, Courtney Upton of Burlington; aunts; uncles; and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, John McBride, and his brother, Kenneth John "K.J." Upton.

He was a 1992 graduate of Aquinas High School in Fort Madison.

On July 7, 1992, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. He attended basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Following basic training he attended Aircraft Armament Systems training at Lowry Air Force Base, Colorado.

After completion of technical training, Sgt. Upton was stationed at Ellsworth Air Force Base, S. D. While there he served as a Weapons Load Team Member assigned to the 99th Maintenance Squadron loading munitions for the B-52G/H "Stratofortress" bomber, and later was assigned to the 34th Bomb Squadron at Ellsworth Air Force Base loading munitions for the B-1B "Lancer" bomber.

In September 1995 he attended the Commando Lock screening program at Hurlburt Field, Fla., and was unanimously selected by the review board to enter training to become a Special Operations Aerial Gunner. In May 1995, he attended Aerial Gunner Initial Qualification Training at Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.

Following graduation he was assigned to the 31st Special Operations Squadron, Osan Air Force Base, Republic of Korea, from October 1996 to October 1997. There he entered the brotherhood of special operators.

Following his tour of duty in Korea he was assigned to the 20th Special Operations Squadron, Hurlburt Field. At Hurlburt he served as Armory NCO and continued serving as an airman as well as in his primary duties as an Aerial Gunner. He was selected to attend Airman Leadership School in March of 1999. He completed the course as a distinguished graduate of Class 99B. He was promoted to Staff Sergeant on May 1, 1999.

Sgt. Upton's military decorations and awards include: The Meritorious Service Medal, Aerial Achievement Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Achievement Medal with one device, The Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, Air Force Good Conduct Medal with one device, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Air Force Overseas Short Tour Ribbon, and Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon, NCO Professional Military Education Graduation Ribbon, and Air Force Training Ribbon. He was an MH-53 J/M PAVELOW Aerial Gunner with 750 flight hours, including 55 combat/combat support hours flown during 19 combat/combat support sorties. His combat/combat support time was flown in support of Operations Desert Thunder, Noble Anvil and Shining Hope.

His body has been cremated. A portion of his ashes were scattered over the Gulf of Mexico, the remainder will be brought home to Illinois for burial.

A mass of resurrection and a formal military memorial service was at Hurlburt Field, today. A committal service is being held at the 20th Special Operations, Hurlburt Field, Wednesday.

A memorial mass is at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Nauvoo, with Father Greg Ketcham officiating.

Burial of the ashes, with full military rites, will be at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Cemetery, Nauvoo.

There will be no visitation.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a trust fund for his son.

Lamporte Funeral Home of Nauvoo is in charge of arrangements.

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6-8-1999

Dust cloud blamed for Air Force chopper crash that killed Niota man

HURLBURT FIELD, Fla. (AP) — An Air Force helicopter crashed two months ago because the pilots became disoriented in a dust cloud kicked up by its rotor wash, an investigative panel has concluded.

One of the six crew members was killed.

The MH-53J Pave Low, from the 16th Special Operations Wing at Hurlburt Field, crashed June 2 while attempting to land near Camp MacKall Military Reservation, on the western side of the Army's Fort Bragg, near Fayetteville, N.C.

An aerial gunner, Staff Sgt. Kurt Upton of Niota, Ill., died from severe head and internal injuries at Womack Army Medical Center a day after the crash. The other five crew members walked away with minor injuries.

The two pilots were blinded by the dust and lost track of where they were, although the Pave Low, designed to ferry up to 38 troops behind enemy lines under cover of darkness, is equipped with an array of sophisticated navigation gear,

radar and instruments, according to the report released Monday.

"Instruments go only so far," said 1st Lt. Denise Shorb, a spokeswoman for the Air Force Special Operations Command headquartered at this Florida Panhandle base. "You're trying to do five jillion things at one time."

The surviving crew members were grounded after the crash but returned to flying status after the aircraft investigation board completed its report, said 2nd Lt. Julie Eilerman, a spokeswoman for the wing. The wing commander, Col. David Scott, will review the report to determine if any disciplinary action should be taken.

In addition to Upton and the pilots, another gunner and two flight engineers were aboard the Pave Low.

The helicopter, valued at \$25 million, was a total loss, Eilerman said. The aircraft came to rest upside down on its main rotor in a clearing in the middle of a woods. The tail was broken off.

DGC 8-4-1999

Thomas Upton Rites Held in Nauvoo

NAUVOO, Ill.—Funeral service for Thomas Upton was held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Sharman funeral home at Nauvoo, with Elder Arnold Qurth officiating. Burial was in the Oakland cemetery at Fort Madison, Iowa.

Mr. Upton, 65, of Nauvoo, died Saturday, January 15, at 2:15 a. m. in the Elm Grove sanitarium at Bushnell Ill., where he had been for several years. He was born in Fort Madison, Sept. 13, 1890. His parents were William H. and Cora Ballard Upton. He was a veteran of World War I and a member of the Nauvoo American Legion post.

Surviving are his father, William H. Upton of Nauvoo; one son, Meredith Upton, Oquawka, Ill., and a step-daughter, Mrs. Violet Brown, also of Oquawka. He was preceded in death by his wife, his mother, and three sisters.

DGC 1-17-1955

AN OLD CITIZEN DIED LAST NIGHT

James Davis Utley at His Home at
1610 Johnson Street After
Two Weeks of Ill-
ness.

A CIVIL WAR VETERAN

Had Been a Continuous Resident of
Keokuk for Fifty Years—Sur-
vived by Wife and
Daughter.

At 10:30 last night at his home, 1610 Johnson street, occurred the death of James Davis Utley, a native of Mercer county, Kentucky, who had been a resident of Lee county and Keokuk for fifty-five years, a lustrum more than half a century. About six weeks ago he began to complain of a complication of diseases which grew worse until about two weeks ago when he was confined to his bed where death came to his relief.

In about 1855 his parents moved from Kentuck to Iowa, when the deceased was eleven years old, settling in this county on a farm in the vicinity of Sandusky.

He was a veteran of the civil war, enlisting in Company A, Nineteenth Iowa infantry. After the war he returned to Keokuk and followed the vocation of a carpenter. He was well known in Keokuk and had many friends in the city and county. August 3, 1887 he was married in Keokuk to Miss Rosa Lohmar, who survives him with one daughter, Miss Beulah Utley.

Mr. Utley was not a member of any church but attended with the Baptist

congregation to whose faith he was partial. He was identified with no benefit or social society, but was always social and congenial in mingling with his friends and associates, many of whom he drew about him during his long residence in the city.

WM. T. UTLEY ANSWERS CALL

Veteran of Civil War and Resident of
Iowa Since 1855 Passed Away
at His Home This Morn-
ing.

WAS 19TH IOWA VETERAN

Two Years Ago He and His Wife Cele-
brated Their Fiftieth Wedding
Anniversary at Their
Home.

William Thomas Utley, a pioneer
of this vicinity, died this morning at
the home of his son, Robert Utley,
1425 Timea street, at 4:30 o'clock.

He was born in Harrisburg, Ken-
tucky, March 20, 1838. Mr. Utley
came to Iowa in 1855 and spent the
rest of his life here.

He was a veteran of the civil war,
belonging to Co. A, Nineteenth in-
fantry, and a member of the G. A. R.
He attended the Baptist church.

In 1869 he was married to Hannah
R. Graham, and two years ago they
celebrated their fiftieth wedding an-
niversary. The cause of his death
was leakage of the heart, effects of
the influenza, together with old age.

The survivors are his wife, Hannah
Utley, and four children, Mrs. Robert
Haney of Creston, Mrs. George Mc-
Crary of Arkansas, Robert Utley of
Keokuk, T. B. Utley of Grand Mere,
Canada; three grandchildren, Wil-
liam and George Utley of Canada and
Harold Utley of Keokuk; two sisters,
Margaret Peach of Kentucky and
Lucy Sackman of Montrose.

Funeral notice will be given later.

Jan 21 FUNERAL NOTICE. 1921
UTLEY The funeral of the late
Wm. T. Utley will be held from the
residence of his son, Robert Utley,
1425 Timea, Saturday, 2 p. m.

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OGC 1-18-1921

Nov 6 Alfred Utter, H 2d Iowa can
chronic diarrhoea.

DGC 11-20-1862

DIED: 11-6-1862

BURIED: KEOKUK NATIONAL CEMETERY
SECTION: A GRAVE: 426

DIED IN KEOKUK HOSPITAL