

Descendants of Hannah Davis

Generation No. 1

1. Hannah³ Davis (Elijah², James B.¹) was born July 26, 1841 in Cass Co., MO, and died August 15, 1922 in Peculiar, Cass Co., MO¹. She married **Nelson Luttrell Kimbrell** May 12, 1864 in Meredosia, Morgan Co., IL, son of Benjamin Kimbrell and Catherine Luttrell. He was born May 31, 1839 in Johnson Co., Indiana², and died July 23, 1920 in Harrisonville, Cass Co., MO³.

Notes for Hannah Davis:

**source Ancestry.com tssmith entry lists Hannah Davis b. 1842 d. 1922 Cass Co., Peculiar MO bur. Wills Cemetery, Peculiar, MO

**source Wills Cemetery (photo on file)

also, Wills Cemetery Information from Harrisonville Library Archives, Cass County, Missouri Cemeteries, Research Edition, Vol. 2 Compiled by Debbie Lehr & Brenda Marble

*appropriate volume found in Vol. 10A (Cass Co. Cemetery Index A-K

"Kimbrell, Hannah (Davis North 2

d/o Elijah & Elizabeth Davis

7-26-1841

m. Nelson L. Kimbrell (05-12-1864 Meredosia, Morgan Co., IL)

08-15-1922 Harrisonville, Cass Co., MO *Cerebral hemorrhage

"MOTHER"

(On stone with Nelson L. Kimbrell

*stone gives birth 1841 only; obit gives birth 07-26-1842

**source Cass County Democrat, Harrisonville, Cass County, Missouri

Thursday Death Notice 8/17/1922 Obit 8/24/1922

"Death of Mrs. Hannah Kimbrell"

Mrs. Hannah Kimbrell, a highly respected aged lady, living on West Mechanic Street in Harrisonville, died at her home Tuesday, August 15, 1922, after an illness of several months of apoplexy. She was first stricken with the disease on January 15, 1922, and never recovered, having several light strokes since that time, the last being on Friday, August 11, 1922, from which she never regained consciousness; death relieving her suffering at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning of this week. She is survived by three daughters, two sons, 22 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren

Funeral services were held at her late home at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, August 15. being conducted by her pastor, the Rev. W. L. Hall, of Blue Springs, Jackson County, Missouri. Burial was in the beautiful Wills Cemetery, near Peculiar, this county, by her husband, Nelson L. Kimbrell, who preceded her in death about two years ago.

A complete obituary of this excellent old lady will appear in next week's issue of the Democrat."

"Mrs. Hannah Kimbrell

1842-1922"

"Hannah Davis was born in Cass County, Illinois, July 26, 1842 and departed this life at her home, on West Mechanic Street in Harrisonville, MO., on Tuesday, August 15, 1922, at the age of 80 years and 20 days.

She was the first daughter and third child of Elijah and Elizabeth Davis, and on May 12, 1864, she was married to Nelson L. Kimbrell in Meredosia, Morgan County, Illinois. To this union seven children were born, as follows, William L. Kimbrell, Pleasant Hill, Mo; Benjamin E. Kimbrell, Freewater, Oregon; Mrs. Charles E. (Joah) Colville, Coleman, Mo., and Mrs. Gertrude Denny and Miss Dora Kimbrell, both of Harrisonville, Mo. Hattie E. and John Kimbrell preceded their mother in death, as did her husband, Nelson L. Kimbrell, who died on July 23, 1920. Besides the living children, she is survived by one sister, Mrs. Sarah Dobson, of Harrisonville, and two brothers, C. R. Davis of Peculiar, Mo., and D. M. Davis of Harrisonville. Also she is survived by 22 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

In December, 1891, Mrs. Kimbrell united with the Little Flock Primitive Baptist Church and was baptized by

Elder W. R. Storms. She was ordained a Deacon of that church in 1910. She was always true and faithful to her church. On January 15, 1922, Mrs. Kimbrell was stricken with apoplexy, from which she never recovered, but suffered light attacks, until the last one, August 11, 1922 when she lost consciousness and passed away at 11 o'clock a. m.

Funeral services were held at her late home on Wednesday, August 16 at 2:30 o'clock p. m., being conducted by Elder W. L. Hall of Blue Springs, Mo., after which she was tenderly laid to rest beside her husband in the Wills Cemetery, near Peculiar, this county.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express, through the columns of the Democrat, our sincere thanks and appreciation of the kindness and sympathy shown us by our neighbors and friends, during the sickness and death of our beloved mother, Mrs. Hannah Kimbrell also for the beautiful floral offerings. The Family.

More About Hannah Davis:

Burial: Wills Cemetery, Peculiar, Cass Co., MO

Notes for Nelson Luttrell Kimbrell:

*per pix of tombstone of Hanna & Nelson L.

Nelson Luttrell Kimbrell 1839-1920

Hannah Davis Kimbrell 1841-1922

*LDS info, shows film IGI. No. 935324 Batch 7501302, Sheet 17 but I haven't investigated this at all. Wasn't sure what it meant.

**8-15-00 Found info submitted by T.S.Smith @ tssmith@earthlink.net, tried to email, but it was returned, so no contact made.

**10-10-00 Found file in Ancestry.Com #13437 submitted by Tiffany Farnsworth Nash

**1920 Census Missouri, Cass County, Grand River Twp. SD 6, ED 37 Page 16A (see file copy) sjw

Nelson Kimbrell Head M W 80 M b. Indiana father b. Tennessee mother b. Tenn.

Hannah Wife F W 78 M b. Illinois Kentucky Tenn.

Dora Dau F W 37 S b. Missouri Indiana Illinois bookkeeper/laundry

**source Wills Cemetery, Peculiar, Cass Co., MO (photo taken 9/2003 sjw)

KIMBRELL, Nelson L. North 2

s/o Benjamin E. & Katie Kimbrell

b. 05/31/1839, Johnson Co., IN

m. Hanna Davis 05/12/1864 Meredosia, Morgan Co., IL

d. 07/23/1920 Harrisonville, Cass Co., MO; 81 years

"FATHER"

On stone with Hannah Kimbrell

Footstone "Father"

**source The Democrat, Harrisonville, Cass Co., MO Thursday, July 29, 1920 (from film at Harrisonville Library Archives 9/2003 sjw)

obit NELSON L. KIMBRELL 1839-1920

"Nelson L. Kimbrell, one of Cass county's highly esteemed citizens, died at his home on West Mechanic Street in Harrisonville, on Friday afternoon, July 23, 1920. Mr. Kimbrell had been a great sufferer for several months past, and his death was not altogether unexpected by his family and many friends.

Nelson L. Kimbrell was born in Johnson County, Indiana, on May 31, 1839, and was, at the time of his death, 81 years, 1 month and 22 days of age. He was the second son and fourth child of Benjamin E. and Katie Kimbrell. We do not know just what year he came to Missouri, but he was engaged in farming, until a few years ago, when he retired from farming and moved to Harrisonville, where he made his home until his death.

On May 12, 1864, he was married to Hannah Davis in Meredosia, Morgan County, Illinois, and to this union seven children were born, three sons and four daughters as follows: William L. Kimbrell of Pleasant Hill, Mo.; Benjamin E. Kimbrell of Freewater, Oregon; Mrs. Charles c. (Joah) Colville of Coleman, Mo., and Mrs. Gertrude Denny and Miss Dora Kimbrell who were at the home of their parents. Katie E. and John Kimbrell preceded their father in death. Besides the living children, he is survived by his aged and faithful companion in life; two sisters,

Mrs. John Davis and Mrs. Fannie Davis, of Purdon, Texas, 22 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and many other relatives and friends who sincerely mourn their loss.

In December 1891, he united with the Little Flock Primitive Baptist Church, and was baptized by Elder W. R. Storms. He was ordained as a Deacon of that church in 1910 and filled that office to the satisfaction of the church, his faith in Jesus always being manifest by an humble, meek and lowly spirit, endearing himself to the church and to his friends.

Funeral Services were held at the family home in Harrisonville on Sunday, July 25, 15 2:30 o'clock p.m. and were conducted by his pastor, the Rev. W. L. Hall of Blue Springs, Mo. the large crowd that was in attendance attested the high esteem in which he was held by his neighbors and friends. His body was taken to the Wills Cemetery, near Peculiar, this county, where it was laid away under a bower of flowers to await a Better Day, when there will be no parting --by His Pastor, W. L. Hall, Blue Springs. Mo."

"Card of Thanks"

"We are deeply grateful to the many friends and neighbors, for the numerous courtesies extended and the sympathy shown us during our great bereavement, the illness and death of our beloved husband and father, Nelson L. Kimbrell--Mrs. N. L. Kimbrell and Children."

More About Nelson Luttrell Kimbrell:

Burial: Wills Cemetery, Peculiar, Cass Co., MO

Children of Hannah Davis and Nelson Kimbrell are:

- 2 i. Gertie⁴ Kimbrell.
- 3 ii. Joah Kimbrell.
- 4 iii. William Lee Kimbrell, born March 12, 1865 in Morgan Co., IL; died November 01, 1945. He married Lulu May Stewart September 25, 1890 in Pleasant Hill, MO.
- + 5 iv. Benjamin Elijah Kimbrell, born December 03, 1866 in Illinois; died July 02, 1942 in Calexico, Imperial Co., CA.
- 6 v. Katie E. Kimbrell, born June 27, 1871; died May 16, 1887 in Cass Co., MO⁴.

Notes for Katie E. Kimbrell:

**source Wills Cemetery Information from Harrisonville Library Archives 9/2003 sjw

"KIMBRELL, Katie E. North 2

d/o Nelson L. & Hannah (Davis) Kimbrell

b. 06-27-2871

d. 05-16-1887 Cass Co., MO; 15 years 10 mos. 19days *drowned

"A Precious One From Us Has Gone, A Voice We Loved Is Stilled, A Place Is Vacant In Our Home Which Never Can Be Filled"

"Stone gives death 03/16/1887 and above age at death; obit dated 05/19/1887 indicates death 05/16/1887

- 7 vi. John Kimbrell, born January 28, 1879.
- 8 vii. Dora Jane Kimbrell, born September 01, 1882 in Morgan Co., IL; died March 25, 1972 in Harrisonville, Cass Co., MO⁵.

Notes for Dora Jane Kimbrell:

Dora, sister to Benj. Elijah. According to news clipping of last will & test. dated Apr. 21, 1972

Executors, Homer Colville & Marie Brown Peculiar, Cass County, Missouri. (info received from Aunt Frances Kimbrell)

**source 1920 Census for Grand River Twp, Cass Co., MO shows Dora age 37, Single, living with Nelson & Hannah, bookkeeper/laundry. sjw

**source Wills Cemetery, Peculiar, Cass Co., MO see photo of headstone 9/2003 sjw

Also, Wills Cemetery Information from Harrisonville Library Archives

"KIMBRELL" Dora Jane South 16

d/o Nelson L. & Hannah (Davis) Kimbrell

b. 09/01/1882, Morgan Co., IL

d. 03/25/1972, Harrisonville, Cass Co., MO; 80 years From this account, it appears she didn't ever marry.....sjw

Generation No. 2

5. Benjamin Elijah⁴ Kimbrell (Hannah³ Davis, Elijah², James B.¹) was born December 03, 1866 in Illinois,

and died July 02, 1942 in Calexico, Imperial Co., CA. He married **Anna May Storms** Abt. 1894 in Linneus, MO, daughter of William Storms and Josephine Malott. She was born March 10, 1877 in Camden Twp., Ray Co., MO, and died June 04, 1946 in Central Point, Jackson Co., OR.

Notes for Benjamin Elijah Kimbrell:

**source file notes from Bob Couch:

Residence 1920 - Milton-Freewater, Umatilla Co., OR

Residence 1932 - Ukiah, CA

**source 1930 Census California, Imperial County, Calexico Township April 5, 1930 (see file copy)
Kimbrell, Benjamin E. Head Rent \$44.00 M W 63 M 47 No Yes b. Illinois f.b. Indiana m.b. Indiana?
Anna May Wife F W 50 M 17 No Yes b. Missouri f.b. KY m. b. Missouri
Blanche Dau F W 24 S No Yes b. Missouri f.b. Illinois m. b. Missouri
Ethel Dau F W 19 S No Yes b. Missouri f.b. Illinois m. b. Missouri
Robert Son M W 14 S No Yes b. Oregon f.b. Illinois m.b. Missouri
Marjorie Dau F W 6 S Yes b. Wash. f.b. Illinois m.b. Missouri

More About Benjamin Elijah Kimbrell:

Burial: Evergreen Cemetery, El Centro, CA

Notes for Anna May Storms:

*Obituary Notice: Buried in Evergreen Cemetery, El Centro Age 69

**source Obituary see file copy sjw

"Mrs. Kimbrell dies in Oregon at Age of 69

"Mrs. Anna May Kimbrell, a former resident of Calexico, died Tuesday, June 4, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Marjorie Shaw in Central Point, Oregon, friends in Calexico were notified this week. Mrs. Kimbrell was 69. She was born in Kansas City, Missouri in 1877.

A devout Christian, Mrs. Kimbrell was a member of the First Baptist church in Calexico. While here she was a teacher of the adult Bible class and a faithful worker in the Missionary society. She was a deaconess for many years until her health failed, and was then made honorary deaconess. In all departments of the church, according to friends, she did "what her hands found to do".

Following the death of her husband, B.E. Kimbrell, on July 2, 1943, Mrs. Kimbrell left Calexico the next year. Funeral services will be held here this Sunday, June 9, at 4:30 in the afternoon at the Calexico Baptist Church. Dr. Warren Hayward, pastor, will be in charge of the service, while Rev. R. C. Fleisher, former pastor who is well remembered locally, will preach the sermon and Mrs. Fleisher will sing.

Mrs. Kimbrell will be buried in Evergreen Cemetery, El Centro, by the side of her husband who preceded her in death.

Mrs. Kimbrell leaves five daughters and three sons:

Mrs. Delbert Loree, Ashland, Oregon
Mrs. Arthur Watrus, Ashland, Oregon
Mrs. Robert Wild, Dixie, Washington
Mrs. F. C. McCall, El Centro, California
Mrs. J. D. Shaw, Central Point, Oregon
Frank Kimbrell, El Centro, California
W.N. Kimbrell, Calexico, California
Robert Kimbrell, Enid, Oklahoma

More About Anna May Storms:

Burial: June 09, 1946, Evergreen Cemetery, El Centro, Imperial Co., CA

Marriage Notes for Benjamin Kimbrell and Anna Storms:

We have a picture of the headstone for Benjamin Elijah and Anna Mae Storms. It shows Benj. born 1866 - died 1942 and Anna Mae born 1877 and no death date at that time. The inscription at the bottom reads "Blessed are those who in the Lord".

We also have a "wedding picture" of Benj. and Annie and it was taken by The Barnes, Photo Gallery, Linneus,

Mo. There is no date shown

Children of Benjamin Kimbrell and Anna Storms are:

- + 9 i. Cecile May⁵ Kimbrell, born April 14, 1895 in Peculiar, Cass Co., MO; died January 11, 1964 in Ashland, Jackson Co., OR.
- 10 ii. Bennie Floy Kimbrell, born February 22, 1897 in Peculiar, Cass Co., MO.
- + 11 iii. Opal Pearl Kimbrell, born October 05, 1898 in Peculiar, Cass Co., MO; died March 03, 1975 in Walla Walla, Walla Walla Co., WA.
- 12 iv. Gladys Mildred Kimbrell, born January 14, 1900 in Peculiar, Cass Co., MO; died November 17, 1918 in Milton Freewater, Umatilla Co, OR.

Notes for Gladys Mildred Kimbrell:

**source grave stone picture from Bob Couch (see copy in file) He notes he faound several articles in the Walla Walla Union-Bulletin Newspaper (on microfilm at Whitman College) about the flue epidemic of Nov. 1918 in the Walla Walla Valley. He thinks she probably died from this. sjw 4/2001

More About Gladys Mildred Kimbrell:

Burial: November 19, 1918, Milton Freewater, OR, Cemetery

- + 13 v. William Nelson Kimbrell, born August 22, 1901 in Peculiar, Cass Co., MO; died August 01, 1962 in El Centro, CA.
- 14 vi. Frank Lee Kimbrell, born April 14, 1903 in Kansas City, Jackson Co., MO; died March 17, 1975 in Riverside Co., CA. He married Dale "Babe" Liebig.

Notes for Frank Lee Kimbrell:

California Death Records, Internet Rootsweb,

Lists Birth Date as 4/14/1902 (I have 1903), with Birth Place as Missouri, Died, Riverside. sjw

- + 15 vii. Blanche Irene Kimbrell, born June 08, 1905 in Harrisonville, Cass Co., MO; died January 15, 1959 in Ashland, Jackson Co., OR.
- 16 viii. Elsie Margaret Kimbrell, born September 17, 1908 in Harrisonville, Cass Co., MO; died September 10, 1926 in Milton Freewater, Umatilla Co, OR.

More About Elsie Margaret Kimbrell:

Burial: Milton Freewater, OR, Cemetery

- 17 ix. Kathryn Ethel Kimbrell, born January 20, 1911. She married Frank C. McCall.
- 18 x. Robert Leslie Kimbrell, born July 08, 1915 in Milton Freewater, Umatilla, Co. OR.
- + 19 xi. Marjorie Ann Kimbrell, born May 18, 1923 in Walla Walla, WA; died June 14, 1999 in Lancaster, CA.

Generation No. 3

9. Cecile May⁵ Kimbrell (Benjamin Elijah⁴, Hannah³ Davis, Elijah², James B.¹) was born April 14, 1895 in Peculiar, Cass Co., MO, and died January 11, 1964 in Ashland, Jackson Co., OR. She married **(1) Delbert Loree**. He was born February 04, 1875, and died October 18, 1948 in Ashland, Jackson Co., OR. She married **(2) Unknown Shaw**.

Notes for Cecile May Kimbrell:

**source Obit from Ashland Daily Tidings 1-12-1964 obtained at City Library 2001, sjw see file copy

MRS. C.M.SHAW Funeral service for Mrs. Cecile M. (Loree) Shaw, 108 N. Second St., who died Saturday, will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in Litwiller's Mountain View Chapel. Rev James Sinclair will officiate and interment will be in Mountain View Cemetery.

Mrs. Shaw was born April 14, 1895, in Hale, Mo. She came to Oregon in 1912 and to Ashland in 1942. She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Delbert Loree, a Baptist Minister who died in Ashland in October of 1948. Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Jean Carder, Mrs. Marjorie Shaw, and Mrs. Dorothy Biroscak, all of Ashland, Three grandchildren; one great Grandchild and several brothers and sisters."

(I know, of course, that Jean Carder was the daughter, however Marjorie Shaw is a sister. I do not know who Dorothy Biroscak is)sjw

**source Mountain View Cemetery We visited the cemetery...location of grave site west side of highway 66 about 3/4 of the way up the street, located near the street side. Sect. 8100 F., Blk 27, Lot 1, Sp. North . Pictures taken. Buried beside Delbert Loree, Sp. Center 2002/sjw

More About Cecile May Kimbrell:
Burial: Mountain View Cemetery, Ashland, OR

Notes for Delbert Loree:
**source: 1942 Directory (no file copy)
Loree, Delbert (Cecile M.) h 145 Sherman

1948 Ashland City Directory (Ashland Library) 2002 sjw
Loree, Delbert Rev (Cecile M) Pastor First Baptist Church h. 171 B St.
Cecile M. Mrs., Hskpr SOC of Ed. 171 B St.

This was Jean Carder's parents. I did find a 1948 City Directory for them
Carder, Merle C. (Wilma J) driver 249 B
Carder, Merle L. (Jean) driver 171 B
Carder, Cora E. (Wid. Eli W) 607 W. 8th (not sure if this might be Merle's mother) sjw

More About Delbert Loree:
Burial: Mountain View Cemetery, Ashland, OR

Child of Cecile Kimbrell and Delbert Loree is:
+ 20 i. Jean⁶ Loree.

11. Opal Pearl⁵ Kimbrell (Benjamin Elijah⁴, Hannah³ Davis, Elijah², James B.¹) was born October 05, 1898 in Peculiar, Cass Co., MO, and died March 03, 1975 in Walla Walla, Walla Walla Co., WA. She married **Robert Wild**. He was born in Missouri.

Notes for Opal Pearl Kimbrell:
SSDI from Internet 7/2001

Opal Wild, b. 10-5-1898, d. March 1975, last residence, 99362 Walla Walla, Walla Walla Co., WA, SSN 542-16-9921 issued in Oregon

Marriage Notes for Opal Kimbrell and Robert Wild:
**notes from sjw

Lee was one of the dearest friends and people that I knew. She died of cancer and we sure miss her. She was adopted by Opal and Robert. Her husband Arnie is still living at their house in Beaverton.

Child of Opal Kimbrell and Robert Wild is:
+ 21 i. Melva Lee⁶ Wild, born October 05, 1925 in Walla Walla, WA; died May 23, 1992 in Portland, OR.

13. William Nelson⁵ Kimbrell (Benjamin Elijah⁴, Hannah³ Davis, Elijah², James B.¹) was born August 22, 1901 in Peculiar, Cass Co., MO, and died August 01, 1962 in El Centro, CA. He married **Frances Mae Hills** November 23, 1926 in Stanfield, Umatilla Co., OR. She was born June 06, 1908 in Independence, OR, and died August 19, 1999 in Torrance, L.A. Co., CA.

More About William Nelson Kimbrell:
Burial: El Centro, Imperial Co., CA ; Evergreen Cemetery

More About Frances Mae Hills:
Burial: El Centro, Imperial Co., CA ; Evergreen Cemetery

Children of William Kimbrell and Frances Hills are:

- + 22 i. Betty Jeanne⁶ Kimbrell, born July 14, 1927 in Jacumba, CA; died November 01, 1987 in Creston, BC, Canada.
- 23 ii. Billie Frances Kimbrell, born October 30, 1929 in Walla Walla, WA; died October 30, 1929 in Walla Walla, WA.
- 24 iii. William Nelson Kimbrell, Jr., born October 14, 1930 in Salinas, CA.
- + 25 iv. Myrna Eleanor Kimbrell, born April 17, 1934 in Calexico, CA; died August 01, 1998 in Torrance, LA Co., CA.

15. Blanche Irene⁵ Kimbrell (Benjamin Elijah⁴, Hannah³ Davis, Elijah², James B.¹) was born June 08, 1905 in Harrisonville, Cass Co., MO, and died January 15, 1959 in Ashland, Jackson Co., OR. She married **Arthur James Watrus** December 20, 1934 in Yuma, AZ, son of Lyman Watrus and Melissa Zerba. He was born November 22, 1882 in Adams, Umatilla Co., OR, and died August 05, 1961 in Ashland, Jackson Co., OR.

Notes for Blanche Irene Kimbrell:

Blanche was the owner of a beauty shop in Ashland at the time of her death. She died of a "probably coronary occlusion (heart attack) after having surgery that day to remove her gall bladder. Her Doctor was John N. Reid, M.D.

Social Security No. 559-09-1224

**source News clipping from Ashland Daily Tidings (from Aunt Mary) see file copy

"Mrs. Blanche Irene Watrus, 53, of 216 Meade Street, died unexpectedly last night at Ashland General Hospital. Funeral service is pending with Litwiller Funeral Home.

Mrs. Watrus had lived in Ashland for the past 13 years and for 10 years had been owner of the Ashland Hotel Beauty Shop. She was a member of the Church of the Nazarene and at the time of her death was on the executive board of Soroptimist Club.

Mrs. Watrus was born June 8, 1905 in Harrisonville, Mo. On Dec. 20, 1934 at Yuma, Ariz. she was married to Arthur Watrus who survives. Other survivors are two sons, Jim of Medford and Ben of Ashland; one granddaughter, Lisa, four sisters, Mrs. Cecil Shaw, Ashland, and Mrs. Marjorie Shaw, Hilt; Mrs. Ethel McCall, Tracy Calif., and Mrs. Opal Wild, Walla Walla, Wash; three brothers, William and Frank Kimbrell, Calexico, Calif., and Robert Kimbrell, Los Angeles."

**source Certified Copy of Death Record

BLANCHE IRENE WATRUS, place of death, Jackson County, Ashland, Oregon, Ashland General Hospital, length of stay in Ashland, 14 years. Residence, 216 Meade Street, Ashland, Jackson, Oregon.

Date of death, 1-15-59, Female, White, Married, SS# 559-09-1224, Occupation, Beautician, spouse, Arthur Watrus,

Date of birth, 6-8-05, age last birthday, 53, birthplace, Missouri, US citizen,

name of father, Benjamin Kimbrell

name of mother, Anna Storms

informant's name, Arthur Watrus, husband.

cause of death, Probably coronary occlusion.

Certified by John N. Reid, MD

Buried, Mt. View Cemetery Ashland, Oregon

funeral director, C.M. Litwiller, Ashland, Oregon

**source 1950 Ashland City Directory (see file copy) pg. 418

Watrus, Arth J. (Blanche I) Indwkr Ashland Landy Co. h 216 Meade (Ashland)

Watrus, Blanche I Mrs. opr Ashland Hotel Beauty Shop h 216 Meade (Ashland)

1953-54 City Directory-Ashland/Medford pg 391

Watrus Blanche Mrs. (Ashland Hotel Beauty Shop) r 216 Meade (A)

1958 Polks City Directory for Ashland

Watrus, Arth J. (Blanche) h 216 Meade (A)

Watrus, Benj Newby Orchard 216 Meade (A)

Watrus, Blanche Mrs. (Ashland Hotel Beauty Shop) rr. 216 Meade (A) (note at this time she owned the shop in the old

Greyhound Bus Stop/and Ashland Hotel on Main St.)

**source Visit to cemetery, Buried at Mountain View Cemetery, West side of Hiway 66 beside Arthur Watrus.

More About Blanche Irene Kimbrell:

Burial: Mountain View Cemetery, Ashland, OR

Notes for Arthur James Watrus:

**obit from Ashland Daily Tidings dated August 7, 1961 ...obtained City Library 8/2001 sjw

ARTHUR WATRUS

Funeral service for Arthur James Watrus 78, who died in Ashland August 5, will be held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday in Litwiller's Mountain View Chapel. Rev. E. E. Crawford, Church of the Nazarene, will officiate and interment is to be in Mountain View Cemetery.

Watrus a resident of 2 Glenn Ave. was born Nov. 22, 1882 in Adams, Oregon. He was preceded in death by his wife, Blanche who died in Ashland in January, 1959.

Survivors include four children; Claire Watrus and Mrs. Maxine Shawley, Pomeroy, Wash. James, Calexico, Calif., Benjamin, Eugene, two brothers, Lester, Adams, Ore., Irvin, The Dalles; one sister, Mrs. Clara Nelson, The Dalles and four grandchildren."

**source DELAYED CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH, (see file copy)

Arthur James Watrus, dob. November 22, 1882, White, Male, birthplace, Umatilla Co., Oregon

father: Lyman Monroe Watrus, born Ohio

mother: Melissa Adeline Zerba, born Michigan

"Affidavit: I hereby declare upon oath that the above statements are true.

signed: /s/ Lula G. Marquis, Adams, Oregon,

dated Sept. 14, 1942

Abstract of supporting evidence:

1. Certified photostatic copy of Family record, dated 1882
2. Certified copy of marriage record, dated Dec. 8, 1909

Information Concerning Registrant as Stated in Document

Birth date or age Birthplace Name of Father Name of Mother

1. Nov. 22, 1882 Umatilla Co. OR not stated not stated

2. 27 Years old Oregon Lyman M. Watrus Melissa Zerba

**source Warranty Deed, Book 50, Page 627, Umatilla County Deed Records (see file copy)

October 8, 1907 Irvin E. Watrus, unmarried of Adams, Oregon, in consideration of \$4,800. convey and sell to Arthur J. Watrus, The southeast quarter of Section thirty-one and the Southwest quarter of Section Thirty-two, all in township four, North of range Thirty-four East of the Willamette Meridian, containing 320 acres. Which said interest, right title, etc. was conveyed to me by Lyman M. Watrus by deed of conveyance duly made on the 27th day of Feb. 1905, and recorded in book number 47 on page 411 of the records of deeds for said county and state.

**Cemetery Deed Mountain View Cemetery

"THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH, that the City of Ashland, a municipal corporation of the State of Oregon, for and in consideration of the sum of \$200.00 to it paid, has bargained and sold, and by this instrument does hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto ARTHUR J. WATRUS subject to the limitations and conditions hereinafter set forth the following described grave spaces in the MOUNTAIN VIEW CEMETERY of the City of Ashland, Jackson County, Oregon, to wit: Spaces N, Lot 2, Block 7, Section 15 and Space S Lot 1, Block 7, Section 15, as the same are designated, numbered and described on the official plat of said Mountain View Cemetery on file with the City Recorder of the City of Ashland, Jackson County, Oregon.....

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Ashland has caused this instrument to be executed by its City Recorder, this 21st day of March, 1960."

**source CENSUS 1900 Oregon, Umatilla Co. Adams Precinct, E.D. 105 film 1241352 see copy in file

**source CENSUS 1920 Washington State, County Garfield, Pomeroy see copy in file

A. J. Watrus, Head Married, White, age 37 born Oregon, father b. Ohio, mother b. Michigan occup. Farmer

Maud, wife white, age 33, b. Washington, father, b. Wisconsin; mother b. Wisconsin

Claire, son male, white, age 9, single b. Washington, father b. Ohio, mother b. Washington

Maxine, daughter, female white age 4 1/2 b. Washington, father b. Ohio, mother b. Washington

**source Oregon Death Index 1903-1998

Arthur J. Watrus, died Jackson County, OR Aug 5, 1961, Certificate 9801, spouse Blanche

**source Ashland City Directory 1948 pg. 460 see file copy

WATRUS, Arthur J. (Blanche I) h 216 Meade (A)

WATRUS, Blanche I. Mrs. beauty opr. Kenneth N. Damon r 216 Meade (A) (note at this time she worked for the owner)

1958 Polks City Directory for Ashland

Watrus, Arth J. (Blanche) h 216 Meade (A)

Watrus, Benj Newby Orchard 216 Meade (A)

Watrus, Blanche Mrs. (Ashland Hotel Beauty Shop) rr. 216 Meade (A) (note at this time she owned the shop in the old

Greyhound Bus Stop/and Ashland Hotel on Main St.)

1960 City Directory

Watrus, Arthur, Cust. Church of Nazarene 493 Siskiyou Blvd. Apt 3, Ashland

More About Arthur James Watrus:

Burial: August 08, 1961, Mountain View Cemetery, Ashland, OR

Marriage Notes for Blanche Kimbrell and Arthur Watrus:

**source: Yuma County Court House, Yuma, AZ

Dec. 2001, Ben and Sondra went to the court house to obtain a copy of the marriage certificate. However, inasmuch as there was nothing additional that we needed to know, and no handwriting samples we did not purchase a copy. It listed the age of Blanche as 29 and Art as 42, which we know was not correct. Arthur's age should have been 52. The witnesses were Ben's Uncle Bill and Aunt Frances Kimbrell. sjw

Children of Blanche Kimbrell and Arthur Watrus are:

+ 26 i. James Burton⁶ Watrus, born June 24, 1936 in Calexico, CA; died December 06, 1988 in Oakland, CA.

+ 27 ii. Benjamin Monroe Watrus, born September 10, 1939 in Calexico, Imperial Co., CA.

19. Marjorie Ann⁵ Kimbrell (Benjamin Elijah⁴, Hannah³ Davis, Elijah², James B.¹) was born May 18, 1923 in Walla Walla, WA, and died June 14, 1999 in Lancaster, CA. She married **John David Shaw** January 24, 1946 in Yuma, AZ.

More About Marjorie Ann Kimbrell:

Burial: June 24, 1999, Riverside National Cemetery, Riverside, CA

Children of Marjorie Kimbrell and John Shaw are:

+ 28 i. Naomi Ruth⁶ Shaw, born January 12, 1954 in Fresno, CA.

+ 29 ii. Stephen Paul Shaw, born October 31, 1956 in Ashland, Jackson Co., OR.

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20. Jean⁶ Loree (Cecile May⁵ Kimbrell, Benjamin Elijah⁴, Hannah³ Davis, Elijah², James B.¹) She married **Unknown Carder**.

Children of Jean Loree and Unknown Carder are:

- 30 i. Dana⁷ Carder.
- 31 ii. Jerry Jean Carder.

21. Melva Lee⁶ Wild (Opal Pearl⁵ Kimbrell, Benjamin Elijah⁴, Hannah³ Davis, Elijah², James B.¹) was born October 05, 1925 in Walla Walla, WA, and died May 23, 1992 in Portland, OR. She married **Arnold Ness** August 07, 1954 in Walla Walla, WA.

More About Melva Lee Wild:

Burial: May 28, 1992, Portland, OR

Children of Melva Wild and Arnold Ness are:

- 32 i. Brad⁷ Ness.
- 33 ii. Gretchen Ness.
- 34 iii. Kirsti Ness, born 1964.

22. Betty Jeanne⁶ Kimbrell (William Nelson⁵, Benjamin Elijah⁴, Hannah³ Davis, Elijah², James B.¹) was born July 14, 1927 in Jacumba, CA, and died November 01, 1987 in Creston, BC, Canada. She married **(1) Whitney**. She married **(2) Kieth Henrie**.

Child of Betty Kimbrell and Whitney is:

- 35 i. Leo J.⁷ Whitney, born January 17, 1956 in Calexico, CA.

25. Myrna Eleanor⁶ Kimbrell (William Nelson⁵, Benjamin Elijah⁴, Hannah³ Davis, Elijah², James B.¹) was born April 17, 1934 in Calexico, CA, and died August 01, 1998 in Torrance, LA Co., CA. She married **William Apsley Smale, Jr.** October 10, 1951 in Yuma, AZ.

Children of Myrna Kimbrell and William Smale are:

- 36 i. William Apsley⁷ Smale III, born February 15, 1953.
- 37 ii. Sandra Jeanne Smale, born March 09, 1954 in Calexico, Imperial Co., CA. She married Dennis Allison November 02, 1974 in Las Vegas, NV.
- 38 iii. Dennis Allen Smale, born October 01, 1955.
- 39 iv. Timothy Erin Smale, born April 16, 1958.

26. James Burton⁶ Watrus (Blanche Irene⁵ Kimbrell, Benjamin Elijah⁴, Hannah³ Davis, Elijah², James B.¹) was born June 24, 1936 in Calexico, CA, and died December 06, 1988 in Oakland, CA. He married **(1) Jerri**. He married **(2) Abbie**.

Notes for James Burton Watrus:

Santos-Robinson Mortuary, Services 12-9-1988, Officiating, Pastor Doyle Patterson

**source see photo on file of Jim and Lois Couch, taken in Calexico the summer of 1940 (from Bob Couch files) 2/2003 sjw

Child of James Watrus and Jerri is:

- 40 i. Lisa Lynn⁷ Watrus, born October 31, 1956. She married Terry Kennon Dorries.

Children of James Watrus and Abbie are:

- 41 i. Daniel James⁷ Watrus, born February 03, 1967.
- 42 ii. Ethan Floran Watrus, born February 10, 1970.

27. Benjamin Monroe⁶ Watrus (Blanche Irene⁵ Kimbrell, Benjamin Elijah⁴, Hannah³ Davis, Elijah², James