

# EMPIRE CITY CEMETERY

(aka Empire Cemetery, New Empire Cemetery, Brunswick Cemetery)  
Ormsby (now Carson City) County, Nevada

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## Part 2 - Interment Identification Listing A - G



### Those who rest in the Empire City Cemetery

According to this research, the earliest documented death resulting in burial at Empire may be those of Mary Ambrose, daughter of Nicholas and Rebecca Ambrose who, according to Eileen Cohen, died in 1858 and 1861, respectively. The earliest dated gravestone extant in the cemetery is that of little Agnes (Catherine) Williams, who died September 11 1866. Likely there may be even more graves unmarked in the grounds that date to these earliest of years. A "Cemetery Census" conducted in 1964 noted: "This is not a complete census, as upon viewing the cemetery, it is very obvious that there must be close to another 100 graves which are unmarked." (This cemetery listing is on file at the LDS Family History Center, in Reno, Nevada.) This research reveals the names of some of those who may rest in unmarked and unknown graves, but does not identify all that may possibly have been buried here.

Many of the town's residents remained forever and are buried in the Empire City Cemetery. Included among them are:

**Nicholas Ambrose**, considered to be the founder of Empire City

**David Hiram Brown**, served as Assemblyman from Humboldt County in the first Nevada State Legislature later serving two terms as Senator from Ormsby County

**Arthur Woods Morris**, Deputy Secretary of State

**F. D. Stadtmuller**, secretary of the Board of State Capitol Commission that was tasked with building the new State Capitol Building in Carson City

**S. E. Jones**, Ormsby County Commissioner in 1883

**Susan J. Isbell**, daughter of Amos Burbank, for whom Burbank Canyon in Lyon County is named



The following is a list of names of deceased persons, many of which correspond to the listing for “Empire Cemetery” published by Steve Lawrence (20 March 1998) and posted on the Nevada Tombstone Transcription Project website, administered by Gerry Perry. Other names are contained herein that represent documented burials as per the sources referenced and are noted as “Unmarked.” Additional names may represent burials in this cemetery, but there is no documentary evidence to confirm such burials. They are considered “Possible” burials.

**ACKERMAN, Dad**

Unmarked



(Photo by Pam, Find A Grave)

Note: Find A Grave website lists “Ackerman, Dad” and posts a photo of flowers in the plot with Daniel Ackerman.

**ACKERMAN, Daniel L.**

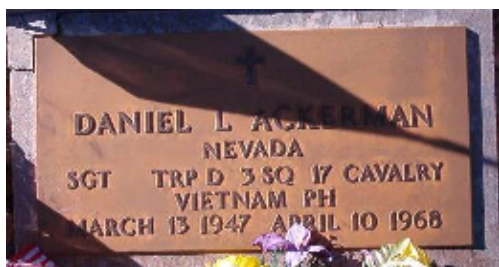
born 13 Mar 1947

died 10 Apr 1968

Veteran Marker

Veteran, Vietnam

(on Lawrence list)



Note: Find A Grave website lists “Ackerman, Dad” and posts a photo of flowers in the plot with Daniel Ackerman.

**ACKERMAN, Mom**

Unmarked



(Photo by Pam, Find A Grave)

**ALVEY, Richard D.**

died Dec 1907

Unmarked

Reno Evening Gazette, 12/29/1907, Veteran Found Dead in his Cabin at Carson.:

Carson City, Nev., Dec. 19 – (first part re: Sam Burke, veteran)... A. B. Alvey, a pioneer rancher of the Carson valley, died at his ranch house near Carson this morning at the advance age of 90 years. He was a relative of Sam Cliff, a rancher in the Washoe valley.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Records, Carson City, Nevada; Book 1902-1934 (transcribed by Elinor Berger):

1907, Sunday Dec 22 (Line #180), Richard D. ALVERY, 90 years, senility and disability, Residence Empire, Reverend Charles H. Powell.

Carson City Recorder's Database:

Richard D. ALVEY, 90 years, Burial Record File 2592, Book 1, pg 193, dated 12/22/1907.

New Orleans Passenger Lists, 1820-1945, S. S. Golconda, arrived New Orleans, 18 Mar 1854:

Richard D. Alvey, 36 yrs, Butcher, from Great Britain to Salt Lake City, Utah, USA.

Sarah Alvey, 43 yrs, from Great Britain to Salt Lake City, Utah, USA.

1860 Census, Ogden P.O., Weber County, Utah Territory

ALVEY, R. D., 42 yrs, Farmer, ENG

ALVEY, Sarah, 49 yrs, ENG

1870 Census, Genoa P.O., Douglas County, Nevada

ALVEY, A., 54 yrs, Farmer, ENG

ALVEY, Sarah, 59 yrs, Keeping House, ENG

1875 Nevada State Census, Washoe County:

ALVEY, R. D., 59 yrs, Farmer, b. ENG

ALVEY, Sarah, 64 yrs, ENG, HH of R. D. Alvey

1880 Census, Franktown Township, Washoe County, Nevada

ALVEY, Richard D., 62 yrs, married, Farmer, ENG/ENG/ENG

ALVEY, Margaretta, 59 yrs, wife, House Keeper, ENG/ENG/ENG

1900 Census, Empire Township, Ormsby County, Nevada

ALVY, Richard D., b. 8/1817, 83 yrs, married 6 yrs, ENG/ENG/ENG, to US 1854, Capitalist, Owns home free of mortgage

ALVY, Anna C., b. 7/1834, 66 yrs, married 6 yrs, 8 children born/4 children living, GER/GER/GER, to US 1861

Rootsweb, World Connect Project (David [dlars@juno.com](mailto:dlars@juno.com), 2/20/2011):

Alvey's first wife was Sarah Cliff, divorced; second wife was Margaretta (nee Gratis) Cook, , widow of Richard Cook, married 1879, divorced 1884; third wife was Anna Christian Wagner, mar 19 Apr 1895.

**AMBROSE, Charles A.**

born 1866

died 5 Dec 1929

Wood Marker

(on Lawrence list without birth or death info)



(Photo by Pam, Find A Grave)

Reno Evening Gazette, 12/5/1929:

Exploiter of Nevada History Dies Here Today at Age 63; Devoted Many Years to Work, Charles Albert Ambrose, Born in Old Town of Empire, Passes Away; Taken Ill in Denver While Traveling with His "Show"

Charles Albert Ambrose who gave up ranching a few years ago to devote his entire time to exploiting the historic days of the west through motion pictures and a vast collection of old time relics , including the seventeen feet of whiskers that were once the pride of Zack Wilcox died today at the home of his daughter in Reno at the age of sixty-three.

Born at Empire, on the Carson river, Ambrose, although remaining nearly all his life on the old Ambrose farm which is about all that remains of Empire, became greatly interested in the early history of the state. He began collecting Comstock relics and finally, some ten years ago, broadened his activities. Then he engaged the services of a motion picture camera man and they took motion pictures of some of the state's interesting places. He staged a pageant in Carson a few years ago that attracted great attention and he joined with Reno people a few years ago in promoting a historic pageant here.

Then he took his western show east and was on his way back to Nevada when he was stricken with paralysis a few weeks ago at Denver.

His widow, five sons and three daughters survive. The daughters are Mrs. Lorraine Luchetti of Reno, Mrs. Evelyn Brown of Carson, and Pearl Augulo of San Francisco. The sons are Frank and Clarence of Carson, Russell of Reno, Martin of Utah and George Ambrose of Oakland. A sister, Mrs. Lizzie Bowen, lives in Utah.

The funeral service which is being directed by the Oliver service of Carson will be held Friday at the capital. Burial will be in the Empire cemetery where his parents are buried.

Ambrose was considered an authority on early Nevada history and his collection of relics, old documents, wagons, stage-coaches and various other things gathered over a period of forty years is said to be one of the most complete in the state.

Nevada State Journal, 10/22/1917: (Notational Only)

Mexican Dam and Ditch Company. [re: notice to Secretary of State regarding corporate address change]  
Signed by Charles A. AMBROSE, President

Note: Not long after Charles' death, one of his sons expressed a desire to sell his artifacts, some of which were on loan to the Nevada Historical Society.

Rootsweb.com, World Connect Project ([lparker28@cox.net](mailto:lparker28@cox.net)):

States DOB as 11/7/1870 and DOD as 12/6/1929; married Martha WIGGINS in 1890.



**AMBROSE, George**

born ca. 1871

died 3 Jan 1938

Possible

Nevada State Journal, 1/5/1938:

George Ambrose, Pioneer Nevadan, Dies in California. Sacramento, Jan. 4. – Following a lengthy illness, George AMBROSE, pioneer Nevadan and public official of Yerington, Nev., for 30 years, died last night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Thomas Dowd, of Sacramento.

Ambrose's father, Nicholas AMBROSE, operated one of the first trading posts established in the pioneering mining camp of Empire, Nev. He was 67 years old and a native of Empire.

After serving as sheriff and assessor of Lyon county for 20 years, Ambrose retired in 1929. He also served one term as superintendent of the Lyon county hospital and had been a member of the Masonic lodge for 35 years.

Survivors include a widow, Mrs. Margaret McKenzie Ambrose, of Yerington; a son, Vernon Ambrose, of San Francisco; his daughter, Mrs. Dowd; three nephews, Kelly Ambrose of Reno, Russell Ambrose of Oakland and Clarence Ambrose of Carson City; and two nieces, Mrs. Louis Luchetti and Mrs. Leland Brown, both of Reno.

Note: George and family were at Homer, Mono County, California in 1900, living next door to Edwin and Clara DOWD, who are buried in this cemetery. George is not listed in the Sacramento City Cemetery, but may have been buried either there or at Yerington Cemetery.

**AMBROSE, George Alma**

born circa 1868

died Feb 1869

Unmarked

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Records, Carson City, Nevada; Book 1867-1890 (transcribed by Elinor Berger):

1869, Feb. 2 (Line #1), George Alma Ambrose, 1 year, Residence Empire, Reverend George B. Allen.

[Note: Uncertain if date is of death or of burial./ss]

**AMBROSE, Nicholas**

born 8 Oct 1824

died 22 May 1880

Tombstone

(on Lawrence list without birth and death info)



Salt Lake Tribune, 6/5/1880:

Nicholas Ambrose (Dutch Nick) the founder of Empire City, Nevada and a Dutcher of much local fame, died last Saturday.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Records, Carson City, Nevada; Book 1867-1890 (transcribed by Elinor Berger):

1880, May 24 (Line #2), Nicholas Ambrose, 56 years, Residence Empire, Reverend George R. Davis.

Sacramento Daily Union, 8/13/1858:

Particulars of the Overland Mail Route. [abstract of article on the mail route beginning in Placerville] lists Dutch Nick's as being 85 miles from Placerville.

Daily Alta California, 4/11/1860: A Trip to Washoe, by Adolph Sutro. [abstract re: Eagle Valley]

Carson City. This place is to be the metropolis of the Territory. It lies in a continuation of Carson Valley called Eagle Valley; the ground is a perfect plain. Two miles back from the city rise the hills, which are partly covered with pine trees, among which the only lumber mill in the district is located...That morning we left in the stage for Virginia City, and the great mining district. Two miles out of Carson, the smell of sulphur, caused by some boiling hot springs not far from the road, attracted our attention. **The next place we came to is called "Nick's," where the hills rise again, and we enter the mining district.** [more]

1860 Census, Eagle Valley, Carson County, Utah Territory: (listed as HH of Robert Patterson, Trader, b. NY)

AMBROSE, N., 32 yrs, Hotel Keeper, b. PA (sic)

AMBROSE, Rebecca, 26 yrs, b. IL

AMBROSE, Charles, 2 yrs, b. UT Territory

AMBROSE, Elizabeth, 1 yr, b. UT Territory

McKenney's Pacific Coast Directory, 1867 – State of Nevada:

Hotels; AMBROSIA, N., Empire City

1870 Census, Empire Twp, Ormsby Co., Nevada:

AMBROSIA, Nicholas, 45 yrs, Saloon Keeper, PRUSSIA

AMBROSIA, Rebecca, 31, Keeping House, IL

AMBROSIA, Martin, 9 yrs, NV

AMBROSIA, Lizzie, 8 yrs, NV

AMBROSIA, Lena, 6 yrs, NV (Temperance Magdalena)

AMBROSIA, Frank, 5 yrs, NV

AMBROSIA, Albert, 4 yrs, NV

AMBROSIA, Jos., 2 yrs, NV

Virginia & Truckee Railroad Directory, 1873-1874:

AMBROSE, Nicholas, saloon and hotel, Empire

McKenney's Pacific Coast Directory, 1878 – Empire, Nevada

AMBROSIA, N., hotel

1880 Census, Empire City, Ormsby County, Nevada

AMBROSE, Rebecca, 46 yrs, Widowed, Boarding House, IL/IL/IL

WILLIAMSON, Lizzie, daughter, 20 yrs, married, b. NV

AMBROSE, Martin, son, 19 yrs, Single, Laborer, b. NV

AMBROSE, Frank, son, 16 yrs, Single, at school, b. NV

AMBROSE, Albert, son, 15 yrs, Single, at school, b. NV

AMBROSE, George, son, 11 yrs, Single, at school, b. NV

MARTIN, Harry, boarder, 21 yrs, Single, laborer, CA/CA/CA

1900 Census, Empire Township, Ormsby County, Nevada

AMBROSE, Rebecca, b. 6/1834, 65 yrs, Widowed, 9 ch/6 lvg, IL/SC/GER

AMBROSE, Frank W., son, b. 3/1864, 36 yrs, Single, NV/GER/IL, Teamster

Nevada State Journal, 6/8/1935: (Son Nicholas Martin Ambrose died at American Fork, UT; buried there.)

(abstract) His family came to Nevada across the Plains from Illinois and founded "Dutch Nick's" station which later became Empire. Dutch Nick, father of Ambrose, operated a hotel and store, as well as a ranch, and supplied emigrants with provisions as they came up the Carson river.

One of his (Nicholas Martins') V. Kelly Ambrose of Reno, attended the funeral. Other survivors residing in Nevada include two nieces, Mrs. Lorraine Luchetti and Mrs. Evelyn Brown of Reno, and two nephews, Clarence Ambrose of Carson and Russell Ambrose of Reno.

In addition to relatives in Nevada he is survived by his widow, Lucy Adams Ambrose of American Fork; brother George Ambrose of Sacramento; three daughters Mrs. Jack Binks and Mrs. Faris Williams of Salt Lake; Mrs. W. P. Rose of Seattle, Wash.; two sons, Vern J. and Francis Ambrose of American Fork.

The deceased was a brother of the **late Frank and Albert ("Ab") Ambrose**, both well known Carson residents. ("Ab" is Charles A. Ambrose.)

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists information as found on gravestone; includes "And Our Babies"

Empire City, Ormsby County, Nevada (Eileen Cohen, 2010), Chapter 7, pg. 76:

"During their 26 years of marriage, they [Nicholas and Rebecca] had nine children, all born in Empire City. Some died in infancy... The first two Ambrose children were twins born on June 16, 1858, and name Mary and Charles Jacob Ambrose. Mary died soon after birth and Charles Jacob died on December 17, 1861. [Footnote 2: Nevada Historical Society, Ambrose Papers.]"

Note: According to the census data, above, little Charles Ambrose was born circa 1858 (2 years old in 1860) and he is not enumerated thereafter.

Empire City, Ormsby County, Nevada (Eileen Cohen, 2010), Chapter 7, pg. 76:

"Their third child, a son, Nicholas Martin Ambrose, was born January 1, 1861. He was known as Martin and lived at home with his mother Rebecca until at least 1880... Elizabeth H. Ambrose, the fourth child, was born on June 8, 1862, and was called Lizzie. [Footnote 4: Nevada Historical Society, Ambrose Papers.]"

Note: According to the census data, above, a daughter, Elizabeth, was one year old (b. circa 1859) when enumerated in 1860. This girl's birth pre-dated that of Martin (1861). If the information imparted by Cohen is accurate and Charles Jacob Ambrose had a twin sister (Mary) who died near birth, then Elizabeth Ambrose, in 1860, was the third child born to the couple, not Martin. [A daughter "Lizzie", born circa 1862, was enumerated on the 1870 census. She later became Lizzie Williamson and was enumerated as such in 1880. She then became Lizzie Bohan and was enumerated at the Utah State Mental Hospital in 1910. She remained at the State Hospital in Provo, Utah to the 1920 census. She died at age 77 years on 15 Feb 1936 in Utah County, Utah, probably at the State Hospital. (Provo is in Utah County.)]

Cohen notes nine children were born and (on pg. 78) mentions an unnamed son born in 1868 that died in 1869. According to census data three children (Mary, Charles and the first Elizabeth) died prior to 1870. The 1870 census enumerates six children living in the family. The 1880 census enumerates five children in the family. Missing is Joseph Ambrose (born circa 1868), but adding George Ambrose (born circa 1869). It would seem that it is likely that Joseph was George.

The **TEN** Ambrose children identified by this research are:

Mary Ambrose (1858-1858) (Source-Cohen)  
Charles Jacob Ambrose (1858-1861)  
Elizabeth Ambrose (1859-before 1870)  
Nicholas Martin Ambrose (1861-1935)  
Elizabeth "Lizzie" Ambrose (1862-1936) (later Williamson and Bohan)  
Temperance Magdalena "Lena" Ambrose (circa 1864) (later Ruffner)  
William Franklin Ambrose (1864-1934)  
Charles Albert "Ab" Ambrose (circa 1866-1929)  
Unnamed Son Ambrose (1868-1869) (Source-Cohen)  
George Ambrose (1869-1938)





Empire City, Ormsby County, Nevada (Eileen Cohen, 2010), Chapter 7, pp. 76 & 78:

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“Another child, their eighth, a son, was born to Nicholas and Rebecca in 1868 and died in 1869. [Footnote 9: Nevada Historical Society, Ambrose Papers.]” (pg. 78)

Note: Mentioned on gravestone of father, Nicholaus Ambrose. On the 1900 census, Rebecca Ambrose stated she had given birth to 9 children with 6 then-living. See additional notes under Nicholas Ambrose.

**AMBROSE, William Franklin**      born 17 Mar 1864      died 15 Feb 1934      Unmarked  
(on Lawrence list as Frank)

Reno Evening Gazette, 2/15/1934:

Man Who Teamed in Early Days is Dead. William Franklin AMBROSE, who was a teamster in the days when freight trains (as written), died this morning at Carson after a long period of ill health.

He was born at Empire on March 17, 1864, and his parents were pioneers of the Carson River region. He attended the schools at Empire and then became a teamster, hauling wood that had been floated down the Carson river to Empire, and then loaded into wagons to be taken to Virginia City and Gold Hill to be used as fuel.

In recent years ill health and his advanced age caused his retirement. Surviving him are a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Bohan, of Provo, Utah, and two brothers, Martin Ambrose of American Fork, Utah, and George Ambrose of Sacramento.

Funeral services have not been arranged yet, but **burial will be in the family plot in the Empire cemetery**. The Capital City mortuary of Carson is in charge.

Nevada State Journal, 2/18/1934:

AMBROSE – The funeral services for William F. AMBROSE will be held at the Capital City Mortuary this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. M. J. Hershey officiating clergyman. **Interment Empire Cemetery**.

Carson City Recorder's Database:

William Franklin Ambrose, 69 yrs, DC File 5084, Book 3, pg. 78, dated 2/15/1934.

**BALLOM, Donald**      born 1899      died 1900      Temp Marker  
(On Lawrence list; info derived from that.0)



Photo not clear enough to read year of death.

**BALLOM, Donald II**

Temp Marker

(On Lawrence list; no info provided except plot EMP-18-05)



Photo shows no birth or death info.

**BALLOM, Frank**

born 1855

died 1921

Temp Marker

(On Lawrence list; info derived from that.)



Photo not clear enough to read year of death.

1880 Census, Empire City, Ormsby County, Nevada

- BALLOM, Frank, 27 yrs, married, Laborer, CAN/FR/CAN
- BALLOM, Mary, 18 yrs, Wife, Keeping House, UT/ENG/WALES
- BALLOM, Joe, 16 yrs, Bro, Single, Laborer, NV
- BALLOM, Maggie, 12 yrs, Sis, Single, at school, NV
- BALLOM, Mathew, 9 yrs, Bro, Single, at school, NV
- BALLOM, Lavena, 7 yrs, Sis, Single, at home, NV
- BALLOM, Liddie, 2 yrs, Sis, Single, at home, NV
- BALLOM, Mary, 5 mos, dau, Single, at home, NV

Email from Elinor Berger, Baxter family descendant on 1/30/2011:

Frank Ballom, born in Quebec, Canada (1852) married Mary Rebecca Baxter (1863-1951)  
Donald Ballom (1889-1890) and Donald Ballom #2 (1899) were the sons of Frank and Mary. Both died very young.

**BALLOM, Lavina**

Temp Marker

(On Lawrence list; no info but plot "B7-C7 (EMP-18-03)".



**BALLOM, Margaret Elizabeth** born ca. 1868 died 4 Mar 1912 Unmarked

Reno Evening Gazette, 3/5/1912:

Silver City Lady Called by Death. Abstract re: Mrs. Margaret Elizabeth (nee BAXTER) BALLOM: died at her mother's home in Empire, 3/4/1912; 44 yrs 1 mo 24 days; leaves mother, husband, three sisters – Mrs. James Regan, Mrs. Frank Howard and Mrs. Ballom; two brothers, Matt and Joe; **funeral took place from the Empire school house** Wednesday, March 6.]

Info from Elinor Berger, 2/2/2011 from Death Certificates:

Margaret Elizabeth Ballom, DOB Jan. 8, 1868; DOD March 2, 1912  
f-William Baxter m-Mary Morris

**BALLOM, Mary Rebecca** born 1862 died 28 Mar 1951 Temp Marker  
(On Lawrence list as Mary R. BALLOM)



Reno Evening Gazette, 3/29/1951 (Thursday):

Nevada Pioneer Dies in Carson. Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Rebecca BALLOM, 88-year old Nevada pioneer who died Wednesday in Carson, will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Capital City mortuary.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints will be in charge, with Ralph Thomas officiating. Burial will be in the Empire cemetery.

A resident of this state since she was nine months old, Mrs. Ballom lived in Empire, Silver City and Moundhouse. For the last 25 years she had divided her time between Reno and Dayton. She was born in Camp Floyd, Utah, the daughter of William and Mary BAXTER, natives of England, who met while crossing the plains to the west. In July, 1877, she married Frank BALLOM, who died 30 years ago.

Surviving are one son, Lester Ballom, Dayton; three daughters, Mrs. E. T. Drake, Markleeville, Calif, Mrs. George Wilson, Silver City, and Mrs. Frances Mahoney, Stockton, Calif; and a number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Nevada State Journal, 3/29/1951:

[re Mrs. Mary Baxter; notes her husband, "like her father" was a millwright]

Info from Elinor Berger, 2/2/2011 from Death Certificates:

Mary Rebecca Ballom, DOB Oct., 22, 1862; Mar. 28, 1951  
f-William Baxter m-Mary Morris

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists as "Mary R. Ballom; remainder of information as shown on grave marker; "(Capitol City Mortuary)".

**BALLOM, William Paul** born ca. 1886 died 29 Apr 1936 Possible

Reno Evening Gazette, 4/29/1936:

Died. BALLOM – Near Reno, April 29, 1936. William Paul BALLOM; husband of Mary M. Ballom; son of Mrs. Mary R. Ballom; brother of Mrs. Arthur Mahony, of Stockton, Cal; Lester Ballom, of Sacramento;

Mrs. George Wilson, of Silver City; and Mrs. E. T. Drake, of Reno. A native of Empire, Nev., aged forty-nine years, eight months, twelve days. Notice of funeral later. Friends may call at the chapel of O'Brien & Nugent.

## **BARRETT, Catherine**

died 15 May 1916      Unmarked

### Nevada State Journal, 5/17/1916:

Death Ends Illness Pioneer of Empire. Mrs. Catherine Barrett Dies in Reno After Protracted Illness; Interment Empire.

An illness of some duration ended Monday night in the death of Catherine Barrett, a pioneer resident of Nevada. Mrs. Barrett came to Nevada 40 years ago with her husband, residing the greater part of the time at Empire. The last few years of her life were spent in Reno.

Surviving her are three sons, John, James and Lorenzo Barrett,, and three daughters, Mrs. G. C. Beecher, Mrs. C. F. Murphy and Mrs. H. C. Taylor of San Francisco. Mrs. Barrett was born in Ireland and was 76 years of age.

Yesterday morning the remains were removed from the chapel of Groesbeck & O'Brien to St. Thomas Aquinas Church, where mass was said. **Friends accompanied the remains to Empire where interment will take place.**

### Nevada State Journal, 5/21/1916 (Sunday):

Social Items from the Capital City. ...Mrs. Catherine Barrett, a pioneer of Empire City and a woman most highly esteemed, was buried at the little river city last Sunday. She was 76 years at the time of her death.

### NY Passenger Lists, 1820-1957, SS Adriatic, arrived NY 8/5/1872:

Cath Barrett, 30 yrs, female, Ireland  
John Barrett, 6 yrs, male, Ireland  
Jeremiah Barrett, 4 yrs, male, Ireland  
Hanna Barrett, 3 yrs, female, Ireland  
Mary Barrett, infant, female, Ireland

### Virginia & Truckee Railroad Directory, 1873-1874:

BARRETT, Michael, laborer, Mexican Mill, Empire

### 1875 Nevada State Census, Ormsby County

M. Barrett, male, 32 yrs, IRE  
C. Barrett, female, 32 yrs, IRE  
J. Barrett, male, 12 yrs, IRE  
J. Barrett, male, 10 yrs, IRE  
H. Barrett, female, 8 yrs, IRE  
M. Barrett, female, 6 yrs, IRE  
J. Barrett, male, 1 yr, NV

### 1880 Census, Empire City, Ormsby County, Nevada

BARRET, Michael, 39 yrs, Servant, married, Laborer, IRE/IRE/IRE (just after Sam Longabaugh HH)  
BARRET, Catharine, 38 yrs, wife, Keeping House, IRE/IRE/IRE  
BARRET, John, 17 yrs, son, Single, Laborer, IRE/IRE/IRE  
BARRET, Jerry, 15 yrs, son, Single, at school, IRE/IRE/IRE  
BARRET, Hannah, 13 yrs, dau, Single, at school, IRE/IRE/IRE (Hannah married Frank Murphy, 1893)  
BARRET, Minnie, 11 yrs, dau, Single, at school, IRE/IRE/IRE (aka Mary)  
BARRET, James, 6 yrs, son, Single, at school, NV/IRE/IRE  
BARRET, Nellie, 2 yrs, dau, Single, at home, NV/IRE/IRE [married Gus C. Beecher, d. SF, CA 1976]

### Carson City Recorder's Database:

Public Health Officer File 14975, Book 1, pg 59, dated 5/16/1916.

Note: Catherine was at the Nevada Hospital for Mental Diseases in 1900 and 1910 censuses. Each time she is noted to be married although Michael Barrett is not found on the census in Nevada. Michael was living in June of 1887 as he had arrived at the Palace Hotel in that month. Daughter Hannah Barrett was the Postmistress at Empire in 1893. The couple had another son, Renz Edward Barrett, whose WWI Draft Registration Card indicates he was born at Empire, Nev. on Nov. 10, 1888. When he registered in 1917 he was married, living at Sacramento, California and was a clerk for Wells Fargo.

Re: Barrett Children:

See Reno Evening Gazette, 4/23/1940 regarding death of James Barrett. Note also that "Jim Barrett" was a cyanide man at the Standard mill at Bodie and later moved the old cyanide mill at Fletcher Station, in Mineral County, to Garfield Flat where he worked tailings at the old mines. (Mineral County Independent News, 11/16/1938) James was at Aurora, Nevada in 1900 where he worked as a laborer at a cyanide plant under Frederick Pfeifer and John H. Wichman, both old pioneers of Esmeralda (later Mineral) County.

In 1900, Jerry Barrett was still living at Empire. He was born Apr 1865, was 35 years old, Single and was working as a dealer in wood. He noted he had come to the US in 1872.

John Barrett was at Mottsville in 1900, living with wife Luella and two children. Born Feb 1863, he was working as a grocery merchant.

**BARRETT, Minnie** died 6 Jul 1892 Unmarked

Reno Evening Gazette, 7/9/1892 (Saturday):

Miss Minnie BARRETT, aged 21 years, and a native of Empire City, died at that place last Wednesday.

Carson City Recorder's Database:

Minnie Barrett, 21 yrs, Burial Record File 3379, Book H, p. 108, dated 7/8/1892.

**BAXTER, Joseph D.** died 5 May 1932 Unmarked

Reno Evening Gazette, 5/5/1932:

Died. BAXTER – In Reno, May 5, 1932, Joseph D., brother of Mrs. Mary Ballom of Reno and Mrs. James Regan of Yerington. A native of Nevada, aged 68 years. Remains at the funeral home of the Ross-Burke Company. Friends are invited to attend funeral services at the Kitzmeyer-Elges Company chapel in Carson at two o'clock Saturday afternoon. Interment, Empire, Nev.

Nevada State Journal, 5/6/1932:

Veteran Mill Expert Dies.

Joseph D. Baxter, veteran millman of Nevada, and a native of the historical town of Empire, at one time a milling center for the Comstock mines, died yesterday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Mary Ballom on Chestnut street. His health had been failing for several months.

Baxter learned the milling business at Empire, where he spent many years of his life. With the closing of the plants along the Carson river, he was employed at other mining camps of the state. For the last few years he had made his home at Carson City. He came to Reno a few weeks ago to reside with his sister.

Two sisters survive, Mrs. Ballom of Reno and Mrs. James Regan of Yerington.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral at 2 p.m. at the Kitzmeyer-Elges company chapel at Carson City. Interment will be in the Empire cemetery. The body is at the Ross-Burke company chapel.

Reno Evening Gazette, 5/10/1932 (Tuesday):

Saturday afternoon funeral services were conducted at the Kitzmeyer-Elges parlors for the late Joseph Baxter. Many friends congregated for the services, a number of them being former residents of Empire, where he was born and had spent the greater part of his life. Interment was in the Empire cemetery.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Records, Carson City, Nevada; Book 1902-1934 (transcribed by Elinor Berger):

1921, May 7, Joseph D. Baxter, 68 years, Residence Reno, Nevada, Reverend M. J. Hersey.



Info from Elinor Berger, 2/2/2011 from Death Certificates:

Joseph David Baxter, DOB July 23 (1864 in my file); DOD May 5 1932 [\*Certificate statistic indicates he was married, but my file doesn't show that]  
f-William Baxter m-Mary Morris

**BAXTER, Mary (nee Morris)** born died 23 May 1921 Unmarked?

REG, 5/25/1921 (Wednesday):

58 Year Empire Resident Dead. Carson, May 25 – Mrs. Mary BAXTER, for fifty-eight years a resident of Empire, died at the home of her son, Joe Baxter, in that place Monday. The deceased was a native of Wales and was eighty-eight years old last September. Surviving relatives are: son, Joe Baxter and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Ballom and Mrs. James Regan, both of Carson City. Funeral services were conducted at the Baxter home in Empire at two o'clock this afternoon by Rev. H. H. McCreery.

Sacramento Daily Union, 2/20/1866:

Information Wanted – Of George JONES and Margaret, his wife, by Mrs. Jones' sister, formerly Mary MORRIS, of Newbridge, Carmarthenshire, South Wales, Great Britain, but now Mary BAXTER, of Empire City, Ormsby county, State of Nevada. [ad dated 2/20/1866 as first date to run]

Possible sister and husband – 1860 Census, Yreka P.O., Humbug Township, Siskiyou County, California

JONES, Geo., 38 yrs, Miner, P\$500, WALES  
JONES, Margaret, 29 yrs, WALES  
JONES, Benj., 4 yrs, CA  
JONES, Geo., 1 yrs, CA

This couple remained at Yreka on the 1870 census with additional children: Thomas, Mary, Morgan, Deborah. The 1880 census reveals another daughter, Sarah. The 1879 and 1886 Great Registers of Siskiyou indicates George was naturalized in that county Nov. 11, 1858, 9th District.

1900 Census, Empire Township, Ormsby County, Nevada

BAXTER, Mary, b. 8/1833, 67 yrs, widowed, 8 children born/6 living, WALES/WALES/WALES, to US  
1860, owns home free of mortgage  
BAXTER, Joseph D., son, b. 7/1864, 35 yrs, Single, NV/WALES/WALES, Laborer/Cyanide Plant  
BAXTER, Maggie E, dau, b. 1/1868, 32 yrs, Single, NV/WALES/WALES  
BAXTER, Matthew W., son, b. 10/1870, 29 yrs, Single, NV/WALES/WALES, Teamster  
BAXTER, Lydia, dau, b. 8/1878, 21 yrs, Single, NV/WALES/WALES

Info from Elinor Berger, 2/2/2011 from Death Certificates:

Mary Baxter, DOB Sept. 17, 1832; DOD May 23, 1921  
f-Unknown m-Unknown

\*From a Feb. 20, 1866, Sacramento news article (thanks to Sue Silver), we know that Mary came from Newbridge, Carmarthenshire, South Wales, Great Britain.

Note: In the 1900 census Mary Baxter stated she'd given birth to 8 children with 6 children then-living. If this is accurate, **it is possible there may be two additional Baxter burials in the Empire Cemetery.** The alternative is that the two who pre-deceased 1900 were born before the couple arrived in Nevada.

Boston Passengers and Crew Lists, 1820-1943; Ship-Mary O'Brien, arrived 6/1857, from Liverpool

(Possible immigration of William and Mary Baxter)

BAXTER, Wm., 27 yrs, male, Res-England, To-United States  
BAXTER, Mary, 26 yrs, female, Res-England, To-United States  
BAXTER, Ellen, infant, female, Res-England, To-United States

See notes under William BAXTER.

**BAXTER, Mathew W.**  
(On Lawrence list)

born 12 Oct 1870

died 26 Feb 1913

Tombstone



Email from Elinor Berger, Baxter family descendant on 1/30/2011:

Mathew W. Baxter (1870-1913) was my grandfather, married to **Florence Eliza Smith Baxter Austin**; she is buried in Lone Mountain Cemetery, CC. He was killed in a runaway buckboard accident returning home from work at the gypsum quarry on Linehan in Lyon County.

1920 Census, Empire Town, ~~Empire~~ Carson Township Exclusive of Carson City, Ormsby County, Nevada

BAXTER, Florence, 34 yrs, widowed, NV/IRE/CA, no occupation, owns home free of mortgage  
BAXTER, William M., son, 15 yrs, Single, NV/NV/NV, Laborer/Common  
BAXTER, Joseph E., son, 14 yrs, Single, NV/NV/NV  
BAXTER, John, son, 12 yrs, Single, NV/NV/NV  
BAXTER, Mildred, dau, 9 yrs, Single, NV/NV/NV  
BAXTER, George M., son, 7 yrs, Single, NV/NV/NV

Info from Elinor Berger, 2/2/2011 from Death Certificates:

Matt Baxter, DOB Oct. 12, 1870; DOD Feb. 26, 1913 [\*Mathew William]  
f-William Baxter m-Mary Morris

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists as "Mathew W. Baxter"; remainder of information as shown on gravestone

**BAXTER, William**

died 1 Mar 1898

Unmarked

1870 Census, Empire Township, Carson City P.O., Ormsby County, Nevada

BAXTER, Wm, 43 yrs, laborer, ENG  
BAXTER, Mary, 33 yrs, Keeping House, ENG  
BAXTER, Mary, 8 yrs, UT  
BAXTER, Jos., 5 yrs, NV  
BAXTER, Maggie, 2 yrs, NV

Virginia & Truckee Railroad Directory, 1873-1874:

BAXTER, William, tankman, Brunswick Mill

1880 Census, Empire City, Ormsby County, Nevada

BAXTER, William, 52 yrs, married, laborer, ENG/ENG/ENG  
BAXTER, Mary, 46 yrs, wife, keeping house, b. Wales  
BAXTER, Mary R., 17 yrs, dau, at home, b. NV

BAXTER, Joseph, 15 yrs, son, at home, b. NV  
BAXTER, Maggie, 12 yrs, dau, at home, b. NV  
BAXTER, Mathew, 10 yrs, son, at home, b. NV  
BAXTER, Levena, 7 yrs, dau, at home, b. NV  
BAXTER, Liddia, 2 yrs, dau, at home, b. NV

Email from Elinor Berger, Baxter family descendant on 1/24/2011:

My information said that William Baxter died in Empire, but didn't list a burial place. It is assumed that he was buried in Empire Cemetery.

The small obit in the **CC paper**, Tuesday, March 1, 1898:

DIED-In Empire, Nevada, February 28, 1898, William Baxter, a native of England. The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence.

CERTIFICATE OF BURIAL

State of Nevada, County of Ormsby

This is to certify that the undersigned, an undertaker, did on the 1st day of March 1898, officiate as an undertaker at the burial of Mr. Baxter, a native of England, aged 65 years, in the presence of P. J. McMahan and A. Morris, Witnesses J. M. Wright, Undertaker

Filed for Record, Feb. 2nd A.D. 1899 and recorded Feb. 2nd A.D. 1899

J. A. Wall, County Recorder

Email from Elinor Berger, Baxter family descendant on 1/30/2011:

I've often wondered if William Baxter (1833) of England and Mary Morris (1832) of Wales didn't enter Canada before they entered the US. Several marriages to Canadian men makes me think that, but I've never traced their entry to either Canada or the US. Supposedly, they crossed the US by wagon train, but I don't know if they knew each other before that or not.

I tried to find Mary Morris's birthplace, but the genealogist in Wales said that too many Mary Morris' were born on September 17, 1832, in Wales for them to find the correct one.

William and Mary had the following:

Mary Rebecca Baxter, married Frank Ballom; Joseph David Baxter, never married, but he is supposed to be buried in the Empire Cemetery with an Episcopal service, died May 5, 1932; Margaret Elizabeth Baxter married Peter Ballom; John Baxter, born about 1870, no other info; Mathew William Baxter married Florence Smith; Lovena Baxter married James William Regan (he owned the gypsum pit and relocated to Yerington area; Lydia R. Baxter married Frank Frederick Howard.

Note: Elinor Berger includes John Baxter, born about 1870, as a son of William and Mary Baxter. Census data above does not include a John born around this time. If he was born after the 1870 census enumeration, he predeceased the 1880 census and would be buried in the Empire Cemetery.

**BEAMAN, Myrtle Dickson**

died 12 Oct 1944

Unmarked

Nevada State Journal, 10/13/1944:

Mrs. M. D. Beaman Dies at Home Here. Mrs. Myrtle Dickson Beaman, wife of Clarence K. Beaman of Wellington, died at the Ridge street home of her sister, Mrs. Mabel Jones, in Reno yesterday following a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Beaman, who was a native of Brunswick, Nev., and had lived in the state all her life and was well known in Reno. She was the daughter of Archie and Sarah Dickson.

Surviving besides her husband are four children, Mrs. Zelma Jensen, Robert, Beverly and Dorothy Beaman, all of Reno; three sisters, Mrs. Mabel Jones, Mrs. Lillian Harris, and Mrs. Clare Reading, all of Reno; four brothers, Howard and Ed Dickson, of Reno, Aleck Dickson, of Bakersfield, Calif., and Norman Dickson, of Wellington. Also surviving are four grandchildren, three nieces and two nephews. Funeral services will be announced later by the Ross-Burke company. **Interment will be in the family plot at Empire cemetery.**

Carson City Recorder's Database:

Myrtle D. Beaman, : Lone Mountain Cemetery records File 11774, Plot W1G-17-02 REF, Birth 1890, Death 1944, Type of burial-Body.

Note: Myrtle is listed on the Lone Mountain Cemetery listing on NV Tombstone Transcription Project.

**BEER, Birdie Josephine** born 1874 died 9 Jul 1875 Tombstone  
(On Lawrence list; info is from that; plot "F5 (EMP-10-1-0)".



(Photo by Pam, Find A Grave)

Carson City-Lone Mountain Cemetery Genealogy File: notes ashes buried. [Note: Doubtful this is so./ss]

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists as "Birdie Josephine Beer"; "daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Beer"; "d. 9 July 1875"; lists age as 1 yr, 7 mos, 2 days.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Records, Carson City, Nevada; Book 1867-1890 (transcribed by Elinor Berger):

1875, July 10 (Line #31), Birdie Josephine Beers, 1 year 7 months, (Thomas – Elinor assumes the father's name), Residence Empire, Reverend George B. Allen.

1870 Census, Empire Township, Ormsby County, Nevada

BEER, Thos, 34 yrs, Butcher, ENG  
BEER, Jos., 24 yrs, Grocer, ENG  
(L.S. Greenlaw, wife and child also in household.)

McKenney's Pacific Coast Directory, 1878 – Empire, Nevada

BEER, Thos. (no "& Bro"), meat market and general merchandise

1880 Census, Empire City, Ormsby County, Nevada:

BEER, Thomas, 43 yrs, married, Keeping store, ENG/ENG/ENG  
BEER, Elizabeth, 34 yrs, wife, keeping hosue, ENG/ENG/ENG  
BEER, Thomas W., 3 yrs, son, b. NV  
BEER, Meleha(?), 7 mos, dau, b. NV

Next house enumerated:

BEER, Sam, 37 yrs, bro, married, Butcher, ENG/ENG/ENG

Note: Thomas Beer, b. 6/1837, aged 62 years, divorced and a native of England who emigrated in 1858, was enumerated at the Ormsby County Poor Farm and House on the 1900 census as well.

**BEER, Harry Pollard**

born 11 May 1875

died 18 May 1951

Tombstone

(On Lawrence list; info is from that; lists as HARVEY; plot E4 (EMP-10-1-0))



(Photo by Pam, Find A Grave)

1870 Census, Empire Township, Ormsby County, Nevada

BEER, Thos, 34 yrs, Butcher, ENG  
BEER, Jos., 24 yrs, Grocer, ENG  
(L.S. Greenlaw, wife and child also in household.)

Virginia & Truckee Railroad Directory, 1873-1874:

BEER, S., butcher with Thomas Beer & Bro., Empire

McKenney's Pacific Coast Directory, 1878 – Empire, Nevada

BEER, Thos. (no “& Bro”), meat market and general merchandise

1880 Census, Empire City, Ormsby County, Nevada:

BEER, Thomas, 43 yrs, married, Keeping store, ENG/ENG/ENG  
BEER, Elizabeth, 34 yrs, wife, keeping hosue, ENG/ENG/ENG  
BEER, Thomas W., 3 yrs, son, b. NV  
BEER, Meleha(?), 7 mos, dau, b. NV

Next house enumerated:

**BEER, Sam**, 37 yrs, bro, married, Butcher, ENG/ENG/ENG  
BEER, Elizabeth, 30 yrs, wife, keeping house, ENG/ENG/ENG  
BEER, Irene, 7 yrs, dau, single, b. NV  
**BEER, Harry**, 5 yrs, son, single, b. NV  
BEER, Fred, 3 yrs, son, single, b. NV

Weekly Nevada State Journal, 6/9/1883:

Thomas Beer, who has been in business at Empire for over twenty years, has sold out to his brother Sam.

Reno Evening Gazette, 9/29/1890:

Born. BEER – At Empire, Nevada, September 27, 1890, to the wife of Samuel Beer, a son.

1900 Census: the family is Angels Camp, Calaveras County, CA. HOWEVER – Thomas Beer, b. 6/1837, aged 62 years, divorced and a native of England who emigrated in 1858, was enumerated at the Ormsby County Poor Farm and House on the 1900 census as well.

WW I Draft Registration Card, Washoe County, Nevada:

**Harry** Pollard BEER; b. 11 May 1875; 43 yrs; Residence-Reno, Nevada; Nearest Relative-Emma Laura Beer, Reno Nevada; dated 9/12/1918.

U. S. Passport Application (1924):

Harry Pollard Beer; born Empire, Nevada, 11 May 1875; **father, Samuel Beer**, born Cornwell, England, now deceased; Samuel emigrated to US 3 Jul 1871 and resided in California and Nevada for 48 years until 1919.



Reno Evening Gazette, 6/1/1951:

Petitions for probate of wills of two late Reno residents were filed in district court Thursday by the law firm of Kearney and Adams...The estates are those of **Harry P. Beer who died here (Reno) May 18**, and Anna B. Lee, who died in Reno last July 30.

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists as "Harry P. Beer" and "1875 – 1951"

**BEER, Irene** born 1874 died 1889 Tombstone  
(On Lawrence list; info is from that; lists plot "E4 (EMP-10-1-0)".



(Photo by Pam, Find A Grave)

Weekly Gazette Stockman (Reno), 8/29/1889:

Died. BEER – In Virginia City, Nevada, August 21, 1889, Irene, eldest daughter of Samuel Beer of Empire city, aged 15 years and 8 months.

See census under Harry Pollard Beer.

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists as "Irene Beer" and "1874 – 1889"

**BLAND, John** died 12 Sep 1892 Unmarked

Reno Evening Gazette, 9/13/1892:

Death of John Bland. John Bland, for over twenty years a resident of Empire City, in this county, and known and liked by every man, woman and child of the burg, died at his home shortly before 8 o'clock last night of bowel trouble. Deceased was one of the oldest and most faithful employees of the Mexican mill. He was about 59 years old and a native of the New England states. The **funeral took place at Empire** at 2 o'clock this afternoon. – Carson Tribune.

Reno Evening Gazette, 9/13/1892 (Tuesday):

The Gazette is credibly informed that the death of GLAND at Empire City on Thursday was not caused by cholera. It was simply a severe case of cholera morbus. [Also in the Daily NSJ of the same date.]

San Francisco Call, 9/14/1892:

Not Asiatic Cholera. Virginia City, Nev., Sept. 13 – Further examination into the case of the man named Gland, who died at Empire, Nev., yesterday from what was reported to be Asiatic cholera, shows that report to be erroneous. Death was due to bowel complaint and not cholera.

1870 Census, Carson City P.O., Empire Township, Ormsby County, Nevada

BLAND, John, 39 yrs, Laborer, MA (in HH of H. N. Stohl (Stahl), Bar Keeper, Prussia)

Carson City Recorder's Database:

John Bland, 66 yrs, Burial Record File 3387, Book H, pg. 111, dated 9/12/1892

**BELL, G. A.**

found 18 Nov 1865 Possible

Sacramento Daily Union, 11/23/1865 (Thursday):

Man Murdered in Nevada. – The following particulars of a horrible murder are given in the Carson *Appeal* of November 21st:

G. A. Bell, a dealer in wood and owner of the bridge across the Carson near the Brunswick mill, was found dead on Saturday morning at a place about five miles from the Brunswick mill on the Pine Nut road. When found he was lying on his back, horribly mangled about the head, a bullet hole through his head and his pockets rifled of their contents. He had evidently been shot first, and then cut with his own ax to disfigure him so that he could not be recognized. Dr. Thompson, who was called to examine the murdered man, informs us that he had evidently been from an ambush with a rifle, the ball from which penetrated the right breast below the clavicle, passed through the aorta just above the valves of the heart, broke a rib on the right side, and lodged under the skin near the right shoulder blade. The ax wounds are described as horrible. He had been hit twice on the back of the head so that the skull was cleft from its base, and then turned over and the ax buried into his face just below his eyes and far under the base of the brain. Bell was known to have thirty or forty dollars about him that day, which together with his knife and tobacco, was gone when his body was discovered. We forbear stating upon whom suspicion of this foul murder rests, for obvious reasons. Bell was a well-to-do, industrious man, was between thirty and thirty-five years of age, a native of Virginia, and came to this country from Tennessee.

**BOURGEOIS, John**

died Dec 1869

Possible

Daily Alta California, 1/19/1870:

Nevada. Carson. Carson, Nev., January 18th. - ...The scarlet fever is raging here, nearly every case proving fatal. Several children have died with it in the last few days.

1870 Federal Census Mortality Schedule, Empire Township, Ormsby Co., Nevada

BOURGEOIS, John, 3 yrs, male, b. NV, mo died Dec 1869, Scarlet Fever

1870 Census, Empire Township, Carson City P.O., Ormsby County, Nevada

BOURGEOIS, A., 28 yrs, Mill Man, IA  
BOURGEOIS, Ellen, 25 yrs, Keeping House, IA  
BOURGEOIS, Mary, 5 yrs, NV

Virginia & Truckee Railroad Directory, 1873-1874:

BOURGEOIS, E., oiler, Mexican Mill, Empire

1880 Census, Empire City, Ormsby County, Nevada

BOURGEOIUS, August, 38 yrs, Laborer, IA/FR/FR  
BOURGEOIUS, Nellie, 36 yrs, wife, Keeping House, IA/CAN/IA  
BOURGEOIUS, Mary, 15 yrs, dau, at home, NV  
BOURGEOIUS, Nellie, 7 yrs, dau, at home, CA  
BOURGEOIUS, August Jr., 2 yrs, son, at home, NV

Note: August was enumerated twice this year (1880) and was found at work at the Mexican Mill. The family was living at North Coulterville, Mariposa County, California in 1900. Mother, Ellen, indicated there were 4 children born and 3 living in that year. August died and was buried in the Turlock Cemetery, Stanislaus County, California. Daughter Mary was attending Mt. St. Mary's Academy, in Reno, per an article in the Reno Evening Gazette of 7/6/1882.

**BOWLEY, Horace A.** born ~~5 Jun 1890~~ died 8 Jun 1890 Tombstone  
(On Lawrence list; birth date from that source; lists as plot "C8 (EMP-07-04)".



1880 Census, Empire City, Ormsby County, Nevada

BOWLEY, H. A., 43 yrs, married, Boarder (in HH of J.A. Hoover), "Clerk of business", ME/ME/ME

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists information as shown on gravestone; "Native of Maine"

**BRADBURY, John** 18 Aug 1908 Possible

Los Angeles Herald, 8/19/1908:

Pioneer Cremated in Nevada Blaze. Once Flourishing City of Early Days Is Visited by a Disastrous Fire, Which Almost Destroys Village.

Carson City, Nev., Aug. 18 – Empire City, three miles from here, once a flourishing city during the bonanza days of Virginia City, was visited by fire early this morning, which destroyed six houses, almost the total number, and cremated John Bradbury, a pioneer of that place.

**BRESHERES, Ellen M.** born 8 Dec ~~1878~~ died 8 Dec 1878 Tombstone  
(On Lawrence list; lists date of birth as 12/8/1878 which differs from age shown on marker of 3 years, ?mos, 5 days)



1870 Census, Carson City P.O., Empire Township, Ormsby County, Nevada

BRESHERS, H. D., 29 yrs, Mill Man, TN

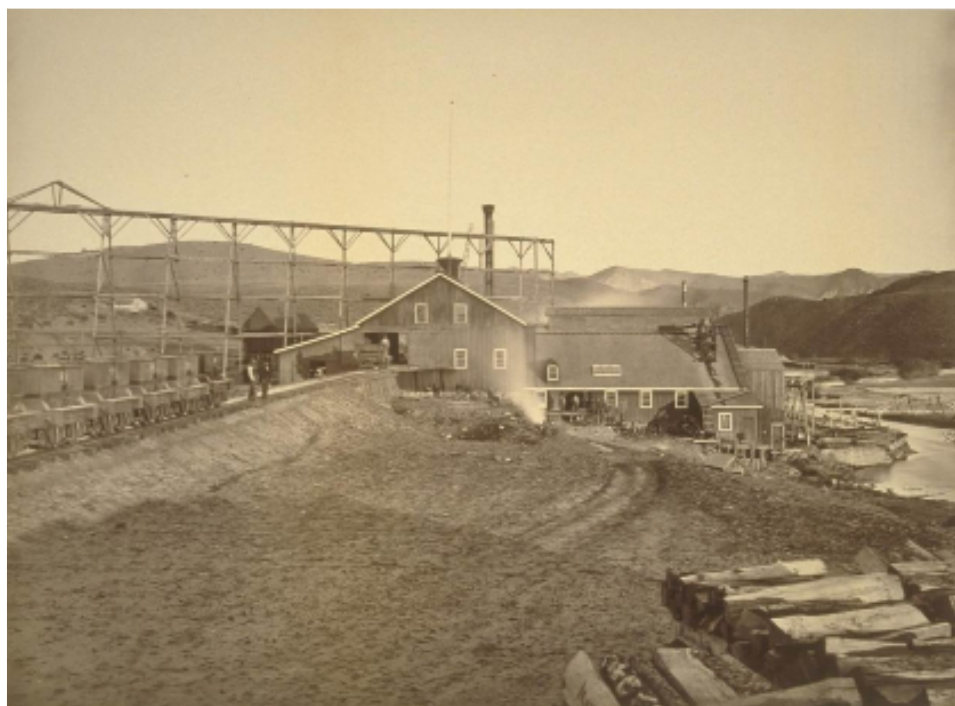
BRESHERS, Catharine, 25 yrs, Keeping House, OH

Virginia & Truckee Railroad Directory, 1873-1874:

BRASHERS, H. D., mill hand, Morgan Mill, Empire

Sacramento Daily Union, 8/5/1871:

Crown Point Mills. ... The Crown Point Silver Mining Company of Gold Hill has purchased the three largest quartz mills on Carson river – the Mexican, **Morgan (or Yellow Jacket)** and the Brunswick.



**The Morgan Mill-Carson River**

(C. E. Watkins, 1871-1876)

Reno Evening Gazette, 2/22/1900:

Call For Your Medal. The Gazette has sent out medals to nearly all the members of the First Nevada Cavalry, Second United States Volunteer Cavalry, and Company C. of the Battalion. Below is a list of the engraved medals we now have on hand; others are being engraved, but there has been great difficulty in securing the muster rolls. If your name is in the following list you will confer a favor by sending your address to this office: [list includes R. W. **BRASHER**]

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists DOD as 8 Dec 1878, aged 3 yrs, 9 mos 5 days

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Records, Carson City, Nevada; Book 1867-1890 (transcribed by Elinor Berger):

1878, Dec 9 (Line #2), Hellen M. BRASHERS (Elinor notes last name difficult to read), 4 years – diphtheria, Residence Empire, Reverend George R. Davis.

Rootsweb, World Connect Project (Christie [wilsonrerjd@yahoo.com](mailto:wilsonrerjd@yahoo.com)):

Family of Henry D. BRASHER includes two sons born at Empire City, Nevada and one daughter, Elizabeth, born 1872 in Nevada.

**BROWN, Charles Morgan** born 1869 died 1870 Tombstone  
(On Lawrence list – see David Hiram Brown for marker)

See David Hiram Brown.

**BROWN, David Hiram** born 1832 died 17 Apr 1885 Tombstone  
(On Lawrence list)



Reno Evening Gazette, 4/18/1885:

Death of D. H. BROWN. Hon. D. H. BROWN who for many years has been Superintendent of the Vivian mill on the Carson river, died yesterday morning of pulmonary consumption. Deceased was a pioneer of this State, having **represented Humboldt county in the first State Legislature**, and afterwards served **two sessions in the State Senate from Ormsby county**. He leaves a wife and a son about 12 years of age. The funeral will take place at Empire City to-morrow.

Sacramento Daily Union, 4/18/1885:

Nevada. Death of a Mining Superintendent. Virginia, April 17th – D. H. Brown, Superintendent of the Vivian Mill, died this morning of consumption. Deceased came to the coast in 1849, and was a native of New York, aged 53 years.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Records, Carson City, Nevada; Book 1867-1890 (transcribed by Elinor Berger):

1885, April 19 (Line #90), Hon. W. Brown, 50 years, consumption, Residence Vivian Mills, Reverend George R. Davis.

Nevada Marriages, 1860-1987

D. H. Brown to Rhoda Rosenberg, 17 Mar 1865, Trinity City, Humboldt Co., NV; Book A, p. 11

1870 Census, (Not stated), Lyon County, Nevada

BROWN, D. H., 37 yrs, Mill Sup'r, NY  
BROWN, Rhoda, 31 yrs, Keeping House, CAN  
BROWN, Chas. M, 11 mos, NV, born July

Virginia & Truckee Railroad Directory, 1873-1874:

BROWN, D. H., Supt. Vivian Quartz Mill, V. & T. R. R.



1880 Census, Outside Carson City, Ormsby County, Nevada

BROWN, David H., 47 yrs, married, Superintendent-Vivian Mill, NY/-/  
BROWN, Roda, 44 yrs, wife, Keeping House, CAN/CAN/CAN  
BROWN, Harry R., 9 yrs, son, at school, NV  
ROSENBURG, Jane, 60 yrs, mo-in-law, widowed, CAN

Reno Evening Gazette, 2/1/1883:

Brown was listed as a member of the Nevada State Assembly.

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists "Rowland H. Brown \*, 1832 – 1885, "Capitol City Mortuary, Carson City, Nev)"; includes "\* This man must have been moved from another area, as the marker is a rather new mortuary marker, and Capitol city Mortuary most certainly was not operating in 1885.)" This Cemetery Census does NOT include any of the other Brown family member's names at all, evidencing that the above gravestone was not in place at the time.

A second listing under this same date sent by LDS with the original carbon copy sent adds: "Body of Roland H. Brown moved from Cedarville, Humboldt Co., Calif, at request of mother. Was originally buried on land belonging to a large mill. When the owner died, his son decided to make improvements and enlarge the holdings. He had all of the burials moved to anyplace that the family so desired."

Note: The dates noted in the Cemetery Census match those of David Hiram Brown. It may be that "Roland H. Brown" was misread and this marker was placed when the above gravestone was ordered. There is no Roland Brown found associated with David Hiram Brown that I can find. I was unable to find son, Harry R. Brown after 1880. (Family on Rootsweb.com states his name was Harrison Kirby Brown and they could not find him in 1900 and after either.)

**BROWN, Rhoda** born 1836 died 27 Nov 1891 Tombstone  
(On Lawrence list – see David Hiram Brown for marker)

Daily Nevada State Journal, 11/21/1891:

Mrs. D. H. Brown, of Carson, who on Sunday last suffered amputation of the left limb below the knee, was yesterday reported to be rapidly sinking and her death was momentarily expected.

Reno Evening Gazette, 11/30/1891 (Monday):

Death of Mrs. Brown. Mrs. D. H. Brown of Empire, who has been suffering with gangrene in the leg, and who suffered an amputation a few days ago, died at Carson on Friday. She was the widow of Hon. D. H. Brown, who has represented Ormsby in both branches of the Nevada Legislature. She leaves a son and an aged mother to mourn her.

See David Hiram Brown for photo of joint gravestone.

**BURNHAM, Harry M.** born 11 Jun 1924 died 1 Oct 1995 Veterans Marker  
Veteran, WW II



**BURNHAM, (no first name)** Unknown Unknown Marked?  
(On Lawrence list; information as shown; plot EMP-12-01.)

**CHRISTIANSEN, Albertina** born 1834 died 11 Aug 1904 Tombstone  
(On Lawrence list as shown; plot "B8 (EMP-09-05)".)



**CHRISTIANSEN, Johannes** born 1839 died 7 May 1903 Tombstone  
(On Lawrence list as shown; plot "B8 (EMP-09-04)".)

1900 Census, Empire Township, Ormsby County, Nevada

CHRISTENSEN, John, b. 5/1840, 60 yrs, married 30 yrs, Norway/Norway/Norway, to US 1874, Hostler, owns home free of mortgage.

CHRISTENSEN, Albertina, wife, b. 4/1836, 64 yrs, 4 children born/3 living, Norway/Norway/Norway, to US 1874

CHRISTENSEN, John, son, b. 1/1875, 25 yrs, Single, MI/Norway/Norway, laborer Lumber Yard

CHRISTENSEN, William F., son, b. 8/1878, 21 yrs, Single, NV/Norway/Norway, laborer Lumber Yard

**CHRISTIANSEN, William F.** 4 Feb 1878 died 25 Jan 1935 Possible

Reno Evening Gazette, 1/25/1935:

Nevada Mining Man is Called. William F. CHRISTIANSEN, a well known prospector and mining man who had spent all of his life in Nevada died in Reno today following a short illness. He was fifty-seven years old and was born at Empire, Nev., February 4, 1878. He was well known in practically all the mining camps of the state. Surviving are his widow, Eva Christiansen, and a son, William A., both of Reno; Martin Christiansen, a brother, of Yerington; Alice B. Christiansen, a granddaughter, of Reno, and a niece, Louise Hewitt, of Sparks.

He was the owner of Radium Hot Springs in the Steamboat Springs district. Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at one o'clock from the Ross-Burke chapel, Rev. Brewster Adams officiating.

WWI Draft Registration Card:

William Ferdinand Christiansen, b. 2/4/1878; Nearest Relative-Jack J.Christiansen, Sparks, Nevada.

**COLLINS, Lizzie M. (Miss)** died 29 Mar 1889 Possible

NV USGenWeb Death Index:

Collins, Miss Lizzie M., died 29 Mar 1889, Empire, Washoe Co., a native of Gold Hill

Carson City Recorder's Database:

Lizzie Collins, Burial Record File 3478, Book H, pg. 263, dated 3/31/1889.

**CORBETT, Joseph**

died Aug 1870

Possible

Deseret News, 8/17/1870:

Drowned. – A man named Joseph Corbett was lately drowned while endeavoring to cross the Carson river, near Empire City. He had just left a party of his fellow workmen to go to some other point and concluded to take the most direct route to his destination by crossing the river where it was rather deep. His body was afterwards found in the river. He was a native of Canada West.

Note: No readily identifiable census found for this person.

**CROWE, Elbridge G.**

died 16 Mar 1907

Unmarked

(Lawrence list includes “**CROWS, L.**” with no further information except plot EMP-97-04)

Reno Evening Gazette, 3/16/1907: [Long Article; partially abstracted below.]

Murderous Father Killed by his Son. Opens Fire on Boys But Brother Comes to Rescue. Fatal Shot Fired by Boy Who Had Been Shot in Leg; E. G. Crow, Prominent Farmer of Empire, Dead; Son in Jail.

Empire, March 16. – Becoming angry at his three sons Milton, Fred and Frank, who were building a fence near their home this afternoon, E. G. Crow, a prominent farmer of this place, secured a rifle and opened fire upon them....

Abstract: states that Milton had a gun near him and returned fire after he was wounded; shot his father through the head; was placed under arrest. All three boys say the shooting was in self defense. “The boys think that their father was insane and that he did not realize what he was doing when he opened fire on them with a repeating Winchester.” An inquest will be held over the remains on Monday. Milton is in very critical condition.

Nevada Marriages, 1860-1987:

Elbridge Crow married Maria Johnson 30 Oct 1878 at Virginia City, Storey County, Nevada

1880 Census, Virginia City, Storey County, Nevada

CROWE, Elbrige, 32 yrs, married Miner, IN/IN/IN

CROWE, Maria, 28 yrs, wife, Keeping House, IN/IN/IN

CROWE, W. John, 11 mos, son, NV/IN/IN

1900 Census, Empire Township, Ormsby County, Nevada

CROWE, Elbridge, b. 7/1847, 52 yrs, married 22 yrs, IN/VA/IN, Watchman/Quartz mill, owns home free of mortgage

CROWE, Maria, wife, b. 12/1851, 48 yrs, 9 children born/9 living, IN/IN/IN

CROWE, John W., son, b. 7/1879, 20 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, Day Laborer

CROWE, Allie C., dau, b. 12/1880, 19 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, Teacher in School

CROWE, Laurie B., dau b. 7/1882, 17 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, at school

CROWE, Cecil L., son, b. 2/1884, 16 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, Farm laborer

CROWE, Lillian E., dau, b. 2/1886, 14 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, at school

CROWE, Florence A., dau, b. 1/1888, 12 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, at school

CROWE, Wilton E., son, b. 4/1889, 11 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, at school

CROWE, Fred V., son, b. 7/1891, 8 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, at school

CROWE, Frank D., son, b. 3/1893, 7 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, at school

1910 Census, Carson City, Ormsby County, Nevada

CROWE, Maria, 58 yrs, widowed, 9 children born/9 living, IN/IN/IN, Rents home

CROWE, Fred, son, 17 yrs, NV/IN/IN/, Messenger/Postal Telegraph

CROWE, John W., son, 29 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, Helper/Cyanide plant

CROWE, Milton E., son, 20 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, Laborer/Farm

1920 Census, Oakland, Alameda County, Nevada

CROWE, John W., 40 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, Machinist Garage, owns home

CROWE, Milton E., bro, 30 yrs, Single, NV/IN/IN, Machinist Garage

CROWE, Marie, mother, 68 yrs, widowed, IN/IN/IN

Note: WWI Draft Registration card for son Milton lists name as Milton Elbridge **CROWE**.

Carson City Recorder's Database:

E. G. Crowe, Coroner's Index File 4029, Book 4029, p. 110; Burial Record File 2770, Book 1, pg. 175, dated 3/20/1907; aged 57 yrs.

**CROWE, Frank Vane**

ca Aug 1915

Unmarked

Nevada State Journal, 10/18/1915:

Shriveled Body Found Near Carson; Believed by Some to Be That of Frank Crow, Who Killed Father Years Ago. Had Been Dead For Months. Remains were Unmolested by Vultures and Beasts of Prey; Mummified by Elements.

Carson City, Oct. 17. – While hunting for some horses which had strayed from the corral, J. S. Hague stumbled upon the lifeless body of a man in the Brunswick canyon about noon today...

From all indications the body has been lifeless for the past two months. No papers or other effects were in the clothing by which identity could be established, but those who constituted the searching party are firmly convinced the remains are those of Frank Crow, who played a conspicuous part in a tragedy which occurred in the Brunswick canyon several years ago, when young Crow shot and killed his father and shot off his brother's right leg. There was no mistaking that the man had committed suicide as a weapon was lying nearby. With this he had shot himself in the eye, the bullet penetrating the brain and emerging at the back of the skull.

[More not transcribed.]

Young Hague, who found the body, is the son of the owner of the Brunswick Consolidated mine and since the body was found but a short distance from the former home of the Crow's, some are inclined to believe that the young man was overcome with remorse upon visiting the scene of his former trouble and decided to end his own life.

See also Reno Evening Gazette of 10/18/1915 for its version of the story.

Nevada State Journal, 10/22/1915:

Funeral Services Frank Crow Held. Body of Young Man Who Figured in Family Tragedy is Borne to Grave.

Carson City, Oct. 21. – Funeral services were held today for the late Frank Crow, whose body was found several days ago in a canyon near this city by J. S. Hague. Rev. L. B. Thomas officiated. **Interment was at Empire.**

The body was mummified and identification was difficult, but it finally was identified as that of Crow, who disappeared two months ago. [More not transcribed.]

Carson City Recorder's Database:

Frank Vane Crowe, 22 yrs, DC File 4383, Book 1, pg 91; dated 8/16/1915. Coroner's Index File 4059, Bk 1, p. 170, dated 10/18/1915. Public Health Officer File 14390, Book 1, pg. 52; Comments-Found Dead; Died about August 16th or 17th.

**CROWE, John Wilson**

born 8 Jul 1878

died 14 Dec 1955

Tombstone



Nevada State Journal, 12/16/1955:

John Crowe, 76, Dies in Carson. [surviving are wife Patricia of Carson City and brother Milton Crowe, of Hayward, Calif.; 3 sisters also survive; Burial will be in the old Empire Cemetery in the family plot.

[Note: Reno Evening Gazette, 12/14/1960: Mary Patricia Crowe, nee Furlong, died; buried in family plot at Lone Mountain Cemetery.]

Elkhart (Indiana) Daily Review, 1/17/1894:

A Boy the Nevada Legislature Should Vote a Medal. Carson, Jan. 17. – While playing on the ice on Carson river at Brunswick Mill, near Empire, three children broke through. In endeavors to rescue three others fell in. Johnny Crow, 14 years old, took five out in turn and then went after the sixth. He found that he had disappeared under the ice. He immediately plunged in and getting hold of the child's clothes swam forty feet under the ice to a hole caused by the rapids and landed his precious burden on the bank with the assistance of onlookers attracted by the screams of the children. The brave boy was more dead than alive when taken from the water and was resuscitated with difficulty.

Carson City Recorder's Database:

John Wilson Crowe, 77 yrs, DC File 5918, Book 5, p. 177, dated 12/14/1955.

**DAVIES (Davis?), Margaret**

died 8 Nov 1867

Possible

Sacramento Daily Union, 11/15/1867:

Died. In Empire City (Nev.), Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, Margaret, wife of Peter DAVIES, aged 32 years.

Rootsweb.com, World Connect Project:

**DAVIS, Margaret Thomas**, wife of Peter Harris DAVIS; b. 1835, Monmouthshire, Wales; d. 1868, Empire, Nevada; burial, Empire, Nevada. [no source given on death and burial info]

**DECKER, William**

died Feb 1870

Possible

San Francisco Bulletin, 2/16/1870:

Matters at Virginia City. Virginia City, February 16. – The right name of the man killed yesterday, at Empire City, by George Price, was William DECKER.

Sacramento Daily Union, 5/30/1870:

Price found guilty of murder in the second degree.

1870 Federal Census Mortality Schedule, Carson City Township, Ormsby Co., Nevada

Decker, Wm A., 24 yrs, male, b. ME, mo died Feb 1870, laborer, homicide [info per County Public Administrator in Carson City]

**DICKSON, Adam Richard "Ed"** died Jan 1956 Unmarked  
(Lawrence list has Edward Adam DICKSON, but has no birth or death info. This is probably the same man.)

Nevada State Journal, 1/24/1956:

Died. DICKSON – Friends are invited to attend funeral services for the late Adam Richard "Ed" DICKSON on Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. at the home chapel of Ross-Burke company. **Interment in the Empire Cemetery** at Old Empire, Nev.

**DICKSON, Clyde** born Unknown died Jan 1908 Unmarked  
(On Lawrence list with info as shown; plot EMP-77-01.)

See census under Sarah Dickson Howard.

Carson City Recorder's Database: (Possible identity)

Francis Clyde Dickson, 15 yrs, Burial Record File 2811, Book 1, p. 196, dated 1/14/1908.

**DICKSON, Howard A.** born 13 Jun 1888 died 26 Jul 1968 Marked?  
WWI Veteran

(On Lawrence list as Howard DICKSON, born 1898, plot EMP-77-01)

Reno Evening Gazette, 7/27/1968 (Saturday):

Howard A. DICKSON, 88, of Wellington, died Friday in a Reno hospital.

The native Nevadan worked as a miner in Antelope Valley and Markleeville, Calif., and as a prospector for tungsten.

He served in the Army's 67<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division during the First World War.

He is survived by a brother, Norman Dickson, of Wellington, and sisters, Mabel Jones, of Sparks, and Clara Reading, of Las Vegas, and Lillian D. Harris, of Reno.

A funeral with full military honors will be conducted by a veteran's organization **at the Empire Cemetery** at New Empire near Carson City Monday at 10 a. m.

Ross, Burke & Knobel Mortuary is in charge of local arrangements.

Reno Evening Gazette, 7/27/1968:

Died. DICKSON – Howard A., beloved brother of Norman Dickson, Mabel Jones, Clara Reading and Lillian D. Harris. Graveside services Monday 10 a.m. at Empire Cemetery, New Empire, Nev. Ross, Burke & Knobel Mortuary in charge.

Note: 1900 Census for the Robert Dickson Family lists Howard A. as born **June 1888**. If he died at 88 yrs, his birth year was 1880(?). World War I Draft Registration Card lists date of birth as **June 13, 1888**.

Info from Elinor Berger, 2/2/2011 from Death Certificates:

Howard Albert Dickson, DOB June 13, 1888; DOD July 26, 1968

f-Robert G. Dickson m-Sarah Howard

**DICKSON (Dixon), Infant Child** died Sep 1884 Possible

Reno Evening Gazette, 9/9/1884

Death Among the Babies. The infant child of Mr. Dixon of Empire died at the Lake House yesterday, and was taken to Empire.

**DICKSON, J. D.** born Unknown died Unknown Marked?  
(On Lawrence list with info as shown; plot EMP-77-01.)



**DICKSON, Robert J.** born Jan 1850 died Unknown Marked?  
(On Lawrence list; plot EMP-77-01)

**DICKSON, Robert T.** died 6 Feb 1934 Unmarked  
(Lawrence list includes 1) **Robert G. DICKSON**, no further info except plot EMP-77-01 and 2) **Robert J. DICKSON**, no further information except plot EMP-77-01. These are like the same person.)

Nevada State Journal, 2/8/1934 (Thursday):

Funeral Services are Announced for Renoite. Funeral services for Robert T. DICKSON, Nevada miningman (sic), who died Tuesday at his Reno home, will be held today at 2 p. m. at the Kitzmeyer-Elges Company chapel at Carson City. Interment will be in the Empire cemetery. Dickson was native of Nevada and had spent his lifetime in this state.

**DICKSON, Sarah Howard** born Unknown died Jan 1905 Unmarked  
(On Lawrence list with info as shown; plot EMP-77-01.)

Carson City Recorder's Database:

Sarah J. Dickson, 46 yrs, Burial Record File 2812, Book 1, pg. 135, dated 1/8/1905

1880 Census, "Outside Carson City", Ormsby County, Nevada

DICKSON, Robert, 29 yrs, married, Blacksmith, SCOT/SCOT/SCOT  
DICKSON, Sarah, 21 yrs, wife, Keeping House, CA/ENG/ENG  
DICKSON, Alexander, son, 2 yrs, at home, NV/SCOT/CA  
DICKSON, Adam R., son, 5 mos, at home, NV/SCOT/CA

1900 Census, Empire Twp, Ormsby County, Nevada

DICKSON, Robert J., b. 1/1850, 50 yrs, married 23 yrs, SCOT/SCOT/SCOT, to US 1870, Blacksmith, owns home free of mortgage.  
DICKSON, Sarah J., wife, b. 8/1858, 41 yrs, **11 children born/9 living**, CA/ENG/ENG  
DICKSON, Alexander M., son, b. 5/1878, 22 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA, day laborer  
DICKSON, Adam R., son, b. 1/1880, 20 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA, day laborer  
DICKSON, Robert T., son, b. 3/1881, 19 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA, Farm laborer  
DICKSON, Mabel C., dau, b. 7/1886, 13 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA, at school  
DICKSON, Howard A., son, b. 6/1888, 11 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA, at school  
DICKSON, Myrtle E., dau, b. 1/1890, 10 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA, at school  
DICKSON, Francis C., son, b. 11/1892, 7 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA, at school  
DICKSON, Lillian N., dau, b. 8/1895, 4 yrs, NV/SCOT/CA  
DICKSON, Norman E., son, b. 6/1899, 11 mos, NV/SCOT/CA

1910 Census, Empire Twp, Ormsby County, Nevada

DICKSON, Robert G., 69 yrs, married 35 yrs, SCOT/SCOT/SCOT, no occupation, Rents home  
~~DICKSON, Sarah~~ (her name is crossed off)  
DICKSON, Adam R., son, 30 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA, Copper mine  
DICKSON, Robert F., son, 29 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA, Gold mine  
DICKSON, Mable C., dau, 23 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA  
DICKSON, Myrtle J., dau, 20 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA  
DICKSON, Howard A., son, 21 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA, Gold mine  
DICKSON, Lillian M., dau, 14 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA  
DICKSON, Norman E., son, 10 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA  
DICKSON, Clara R., dau, 9 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA

1920 Census, Simpson, Lyon County, Nevada

JONES, Autumn G., 35 yrs, married, NV/Wales/PA, Farmer/General Farm  
JONES, Mabel D., wife, 33 yrs, NV/SCOT/CA

DICKSON, Robert G., father-in-law, 70 yrs, widowed, to US 1852, SCOT/SCOT/SCOT, no occupation  
DICKSON, Clara, sister-in-law, 19 yrs, Single, NV/SCOT/CA

**DIETERICH, Elizabeth**

died 13 Feb 1908 Tombstone



Elizabeth Dieterich and son, William Dieterich

Nevada State Journal, 2/15/1908:

To Be Cremated. Henry Dietrich (as spelled), former Recorder of Ormsby county, passed through Reno Thursday evening, accompanying the remains of his late mother, Mrs. Dietrich (as spelled), of Empire, who died a few days ago. She was an old resident of Ormsby county and left quite a fortune. Her remains are to be cremated in San Francisco.

San Francisco Call, 2/15/1908:

Died. DIETERICK – In Empire City, Nev., February 11, 1908, Elizabeth Dieterick (sic), beloved mother of Henry and William Dieterick, a native of Germany, aged 57 years and 5 months.

Carson City Recorder's Index:

Elizabeth Dieterich (Shipment), 58 yrs, Burial Record File 2813, Book 1, pg. 197, dated 2/13/1908.

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists information as shown on gravestone; lists age as 57 yrs; does not note on same stone as William.

**DIETERICH, Fred**

born 1845

died 22 Sep 1890

Tombstone

(On Lawrence list as DIETRICH, info as shown.)



Daily Nevada State Journal, 9/25/1890:

Fred Dietrich (as spelled), of Morgan Mill, Buried Alive.

The Virginia Chronicle says that about 3 o'clock Monday afternoon, Fred Dietrich, foreman of the Morgan Mill, on the Carson river, just below Empire, was down in a well near his residence attending to some repairs. It was some 25 feet deep with a few feet of water at the bottom. Whatever he was doing started the earth caving in from the sides and he was directly buried alive.

The alarm was given immediately and plenty of willing men rushed to the rescue. They had at time nearly reached him when another heavy cave occurred, banishing all possible hope of getting him out alive.

They worked all night and at 4 o'clock Tuesday morning recovered the body. He was standing upright and no doubt his death was as speedy as it was sure.

Deceased was 45 years of age and leaves a wife and three children. He was well (liked) among the workers and residents of the Comstock, and has been foreman of the Morgan mill the last three or four years. He was a good man and hundreds could have been more easily and willingly spared.

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists information as shown on gravestone; lists age as 45 yrs.

**DIETERICH, William**

died 28 Oct 1909

Tombstone

See photo on stone with mother Elizabeth Deiterich.

Reno Evening Gazette, 10/29/1908:

Buried Head in Pillow and Smothered to Death. William Dietrich (as spelled) Found Dead in Bed by His Sister-in-Law Who Goes to Call Him to Breakfast.

Abstract: formerly a businessman of Carson City, but late of Reno; found dead in his bed at the home of his brother Henry; was subject to epileptic fits; born Virginia City, aged 33 yrs.

Ross-Burke Funeral Records, 1904-1919

DIETRICK, William, born Nevada, died 29 Oct 1909, 33 yrs old, buried Empire, Nevada

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists information as shown on gravestone; lists age as 33 yrs; "Native of Nevada"; does not note he is on same gravestone as Elizabeth.

**DIXON (Dickson), Infant Child**

died Sep 1884

Possible

Reno Evening Gazette, 9/9/1884

Death Among the Babies. The infant child of Mr. Dixon of Empire died at the Lake House yesterday, and was taken to Empire.

**DOPMAN, Chris**

born 1822

died 14 May 1896

Tombstone

(On Lawrence list; info is from that; plot "C10 (EMP-04-01)".)



(Photo by Pam, Find A Grave)

Ships Passenger Lists

DOPMANN, Heinrich Christian; year-1848; arrived Baltimore, MD.

1870 Census, (place not stated), Lyon County, Nevada

DAUPMAN, Chris, 47 yrs, laborer, b. Hanover (in HH of Geo Hahn)

1875 Census, Lyon County

DOPIMAN, no first name, 52 yrs, Ger (HH of J. R. Purcely)

1880 Census, Palmyra, Lyon County, Nevada

DOPMANN, Christian, 57 yrs, single, Laborer, Hanover/Hanover/Hanover

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists as "Charles Dupman"; lists age as 74 yrs; remainder of information as above.

**DOWD, Clara E.**

born 2 Mar 1873

died 23 Feb 1904

Tombstone

(On Lawrence list, info is from that; plot "C10 (EMP-07-02)".)



Carson City Recorder's Database:

Mrs. Clara E. Dowd, 31 yrs, Burial Record File 2823, Book 1, pg. 123, dated 2/26/1904.

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists information as shown on gravestone; "beloved wife of Edwin A. Dowd"; "(OES)" [Order of Eastern Star/ss]

**DOWD, Edwin A.**

born 1861

died 23 Nov 1904

Tombstone

(On Lawrence list; info is from that; plot "C9 (EMP-07-01)".)



1900 Census, Homer, Mono County, California

DOWD, Edwin A., b. 3/1857, 43 yrs, married 6 mos, CAN/IRE/CAN, to US 1872, Naturalized, Rents home  
DOWD, Clara E., b. 3/1873, 27 yrs, 0 children, MO/GER/GER

Carson City Recorder's Database:

Edwin A. Dowd, 47 yrs, Burial Record File 2824, Book 1, pg. 134, dated 11/30/1904.

**DOWNEY, John**

born 1833

died 14 Mar 1888

Marked?

(On Lawrence list; info is from that; plot EMP-77-04.)

Carson City Recorder's Database:

JAMES Downey, age 55 yrs, Burial Record File 3515, Book H, p.219, dated 3/16/1888.

Reno Evening Gazette, 3/14/1887: (This relates to the Downey family found in Mason Valley on 1880 Census.)

James Downey, Sr., an old-time resident of Mason Valley, died in his home there last Friday. (Note: Only one Downey burial at Yerington area cemeteries listed on NV Tombstone Transcription Project. The date of this news article is too coincidental to ignore. An error may be on the Lawrence list or on the Ancestry.com index date for the newspaper.)

1875 Nevada State Census, Esmeralda County (Possible identification)

DOWNEY, J. S., 44 yrs, Saloon Keeper, IRE  
DOWNEY, K, female, 44 yrs, housewife  
DOWNEY, M. E., female, 13 yrs, CA  
DOWNEY, I. (J.) S., male, 12 yrs, NV  
DOWNEY, F. W., male, 10 yrs, NV  
DOWNEY, I. E., male, 8 yrs, NV  
DOWNEY, K. M., female, 4 yrs, NV

1880 Census, Mason Valley, Esmeralda County, Nevada

DOWNEY, James, 50 yrs, married, Farmer, ENG/IRE/IRE  
DOWNEY, Catharine, wife, 40 yrs, Keeping House  
DOWNEY, Mary E., dau, 17 yrs, at home, CA/ENG/IRE

DOWNEY, James T., son, 16 yrs, at school, NV/ENG/IRE  
DOWNEY, Francis W., son, 14 yrs, at school, NV/ENG/IRE  
DOWNEY, Joseph E., son, 13 yrs, at school, NV/ENG/IRE  
DOWNEY, Kate, dau, 11 yrs, at school, NV/ENG/IRE

1900 Census, Mason Valley, Lyon County, Nevada

DOWNEY, Catharine, b. 8/1830, 69 yrs, widowed, 5 children born/3 living, IRE/IRE/IRE, to US 1854, no occ.

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Recorded existence of tombstone; noted aged 55 yrs; Native of Ireland

**EDEN, Charlotte B. (see HOWARD, Charlotte B.)**

**ELLIOTT, S. C. (or G. E.)**

died Jan 1870

Possible

Daily Alta California, 1/19/1870:

Nevada. Carson. Carson, Nev., January 18th. - ...The scarlet fever is raging here, nearly every case proving fatal. Several children have died with it in the last few days.

1870 Federal Census Mortality Schedule, Carson City Township, Ormsby Co., Nevada

ELLIOTT, S. C., 4 yrs, male, b. NV, mo died Jan 1870, Scarlet Fever

1870 Census, Empire Twp, Carson City P.O., Ormsby County, Nevada

ELLIOTT, W. W., 35 yrs, Laborer, PA  
ELLIOTT, N.C., female, 25 yrs, Keeping House, IA  
GADDIS, R. A., female, 8 yrs, IA  
GADDIS, Wm., 6 yrs, IA  
ELLIOTT, Grant, 2 yrs, NV

1880 Census, Placerville, El Dorado County, California

ELLIOTT, William W. 44 yrs, married, Teamster, PA/PA/PA  
ELLIOTT, Nancy C., 36 yrs, wife, House Keeper, IA/OH/IL  
GADDIS, Ruth, 19 yrs, step-daughter, at home, IA/PA/IA  
GADDIS, William, 18 yrs, stepson, at home, IA/PA/IA  
ELLIOTT, Grant, 11 yrs, son, at home, NV/PA/IA

1900 Census – the family is in Colorado.

**ELSTNER, Unknown son (?Robert?)**

10 Apr 1871

Possible

Daily Alta California, 4/11/1871:

Nevada. Virginia City. Virginia City, April 10th. - ...Yesterday morning the little son of Colonel Elstner, of the Brunswick Mill, Carson river, was accidentally scalded in such a manner that he died this morning in consequence.

Sacramento Daily Union, 4/13/1871:

Sad Accident. The Carson State Register of April 11th records this incident:

On Saturday afternoon last, the youngest son of M. R. Elstner (sic), while playing in the kitchen of his residence at the Brunswick mill, accidentally fell into a bucket of boiling hot water, and was so badly scalded about the hips, that the child died yesterday morning from convulsions caused by the burn. The little fellow suffered most terribly up to the time of his death.

El Dorado County Marriages, Bk A, p.7:

Milton R. Elstner to Melissa Woody, 11/13/1851.



1852 California State Census, El Dorado County:

ELSTNER, Milton R., 28 yrs, Store Keeper, b. OH, Last residence-Kentucky  
ELSTNER, Melissa, 18 yrs, NC, Last residence-Iowa

1860 Census, Ward 1 Placerville (& P.O.), El Dorado County, California

ELSNER, M. R., 37 yrs, Ex-Collector, OH  
ELSNER, M., female, 27 yrs, NC  
ELSNER, M. N., male, 6 yrs, CA  
ELSNER, J. W., female, 5 yrs, CA  
ELSNER, F. H., male, 3 yrs, CA

1870 Census, Empire Township, Carson City P. O., Ormsby County, Nevada

ELSTNER, M. R., 47 yrs, Supt. Quartz Mill, OH  
ELSTNER, M., female, 37 yrs, Keeping House, GA  
ELSTNER, Milton, 16 yrs, at school, CA  
ELSTNER, Harry, 6 yrs, CA  
ELSTNER, Jennie, 3 yrs, NV  
ELSTNER, Robert, 1 yr, NV (born 10/9/1868 at Empire City; Sac Daily Union 10/13/1868)  
DOWNING, Emma, 18 yrs, WI

1870 Census, Carson City, Ormsby Co., NV [HH of E.C. Babcock, School Teacher]

F. H. Elstner, female, 12 yrs, CA  
G. B. Elstner, male, 10 yrs, CA

Sacramento Daily Union, 10/9/1872:

Born. At Brunswick Mill, Ormsby county, Nev., October 14th, the wife of M. R. Elstner, of a son. (Edwin P.)

Sacramento Daily Union, 10/20/1875:

(abstract) Milton R. Elstner appointed Warden, Nevada State Prison, after dismal of previous warden.

1880 Census, Carson City, Ormsby County, Nevada

ELSTNER, Milton R., 57 yrs, married, Clerk in Sheriff, OH/OH/--  
ELSTNER, Melissa, 46 yrs, married, NC/SC/VA  
ELSTNER, Milton N., 26 yrs, Single, Laborer, CA/OH/NC  
ELSTNER, Fannie H., 23 yrs, Single, Daughter, CA/OH/NC (was at school in CC in 1870)  
ELSTNER, George B., 20 yrs, Single, Son, CA/OH/NC (was at school in CC in 1870)  
ELSTNER, Harry T, 16 yrs, Son, CA/OH/NC  
ELSTNER, Jennie A., 13 yrs, Daughter, NV/OH/NC  
ELSTNER, Lucy K., 10 yrs, Daughter, NV/OH/NC  
ELSTNER, Edwin P., 7 yrs, Son, NV/OH/NC

Weekly Gazette Stockman, 7/2/1896:

Death of Milton Elstner. (abstract) went to California in 1849, settled at Placerville and opened the first hotel in that place (the Eldorado Hotel); served two terms as Sheriff of El Dorado County; moved to Aurora in 1868 and was placed in charge of the Bodie mines; in 1872 took up residence at Empire as Superintendent of the Morgan Mill until he assumed charge of the New Brunswick mill; remained at Empire until 1875 and moved to Carson City; leaves a wife, three daughters and three sons.

Note: On the 1900 Census, Melissa Elstner stated she gave birth to **9 children and 6 were then living**. Lucy married Peter V. Doyle in 1891. The children who died were the unnamed son (possibly Robert) died in 1871, and Milton N. Elstner is not found after 1880. All others were living in 1900, leaving only two known children who did not survive to 1900. A third could have been born and died that has not been documented.

Note: Of the Elstner family and extended family, the Carson City Recorder's Database reveals that Fannie Elstner died in October, 1903; George B. Elstner died in January, 1924 (obit states funeral in Carson City); Mr. M. R. Elstner died in June, 1896 (obit states place of burial in Carson City); "Mrs. Elstner" died in December 1906; Edwin Percy Elstner died in January, 1909 and Margaret Mina "Pearl" Elstner (nee David) died in November, 1953 and is the only member cited in the database as buried at Lone Mountain Cemetery in Carson City.

Jennie Elstner was married to William H. KEYSER in December 1889. She died in January, 1926 and is buried at Lone Mountain Cemetery. Her husband died in April, 1926 and is also buried at Lone Mountain Cemetery.

Son Harry T. Elstner was living in Calexico, Imperial County, California in 1920 and in Sacramento in 1930.

**ETGER, Charles** died May 1865 Possible

Sacramento Daily Union, 5/8/1865:

Drowned. A man named Charles ETGER was drowned in the Carson river, between Dayton and Empire City. He was a native of Germany, and had a wife and five children in San Francisco.

**FANNING, Anna** died 1 Nov 1887 Possible

Territorial Enterprise, 1886-1892 [via Ancestry, Doreen Robinson database]

Anna Fanning; Brunswick Mills; 19 yrs; 11 Nov 1887; Death

**FANNING, Fanny** about 1871 died 10 Feb 1888 Possible

Reno Evening Gazette, 2/11/1888:

Died. FANNING – At the Brunswick Mill, February 10, 1888, Fannie Fanning, aged 17 years, 1 month, 5 days.

1870 Census, Genoa P.O., Douglas County, Nevada (HH of W. Carter, Farmer – see also FLANDERS)

Fanning, J., male, 24 yrs, River Driver, IRE

1880 Census, Outside Carson City, Ormsby County, Nevada

FANNING, John, 46 yrs, Laborer, married, IRE/IRE/IRE

FANNING, Margaret, 45 yrs, wife, Keeping House, IRE/IRE/IRE

FANNING, Annie, 12 yrs, dau, IL

FANNING, Fannie, 9 yrs, dau, IL

Carson City Recorder's Database

Fanny Fanning, 17 yrs, Burial Record File 3529, Book H, pg. 218, dated 2/11/1888.

Note: A John Fanning (65 yrs, b. IRE, widowed, Hostler) was enumerated in 1900 at Empire Township (next to Mathew Howard). Because of this, I am including both John Fanning and his wife Margaret as possible burials in the cemetery.

**FANNING, John** died Oct 1901 Probable

1900 Census, Empire Township, Ormsby County, Nevada

FANNING, John, 65 yrs, widowed, IRE/IRE/IRE, to US 1854, naturalized, Hostler, Owns house

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Daily Nevada State Journal, 10/15/1901 (Tuesday):

All Around the State. ...John Fanning, one of the oldest residents of Empire, died last Wednesday. He was 66 years old and a native of Ireland.

**FANNING, Margaret**

died pre-1900

Probable

See John Fanning.

**FLANDERS, Harry**

born 1871

died 14 Jul 1873

Tombstone

(On Lawrence list; lists April as month of death; plot "B9-C9 (EMP-09-01)".)



(Photo courtesy of Never Forgotten, Find A Grave)

Stone reads: Harry. Son of Charles A. and Eveline R.? Flanders...Aged 1 yr 9 mos 11 dys

Miners and Business Mens Directory, 1856, Tuolumne County, California

General Directory of the Citizens of Columbia District:

FLANDERS, C. A., miner, Massachusetts

1870 Census, Genoa P.O., Douglas County, Nevada (HH of W. Carter, Farmer)

FLANDERS, C., male, 30 yrs, River Driver, ME

FLANDERS, S., male, 34 yrs, River Driver, ME

1870 Census, Monitor P.O., Twp 5, Alpine County, California

FLANDERS, Charles A., 30 yrs, Lumberman, RE \$300/P \$2000, MA

Daily Alta California, 9/14/1870:

Passengers Overland. The following passengers left Ogden yesterday and will arrive this evening...Mrs. C. A. Flanders and child, Empire City, Cal.

Sacramento Daily Union, 1/9/1872: (abstract)

Passengers from the East. The following named passengers will arrive at Sacramento to-day from the East: ...S.S. Flanders and wife, Empire City, ...

Daily Alta California, 9/7/1872: (Possible relationship)

Nevada Items. The Carson Register of the 5th says: The large wood drive of Briant & Flanders, consisting of 10,000 cords of wood, which left the Mexican dam, Carson River, on the 1st of August, destined for Dayton, reached this place in good condition a few days ago. Empire City presents a lively appearance at this time, the town being filled with river drivers, who have been engaged in driving the wood on the river.

Note: "Briant" is A. S. (Andrew S.) BRYANT, of Maine. "Flanders" may be Samuel S. Flanders, b. 1829-1830 in Maine. Flanders was later at West Point, Calaveras County, California. He died there 2 Jul 1910.

Sacramento Daily Union, 6/21/1873:

(re: report of S. E. Jones regarding wood drive to Empire performed under contract for Smith & Jones by "Bryant & Flanders")

Note: Samuel S. Flanders' brothers, Charles A. Flanders and Robert Flanders were also driving wood in Nevada. Charles married and was living in Ormsby County on the 1875 Nevada State Census with a wife and six year old son, born in Maine. After this, he is living in Twp 2, Alpine County, California, where he lists himself as married, but there is no wife living with him there.

1875 Nevada State Census, Ormsby County:

FLANDERS, C. A., 37 yrs, ME  
FLANDERS, E. F., female, 25 yrs, ME  
FLANDERS, R., male, 6 yrs, ME

Sacramento Daily Union, 2/27/1877:

(abstract – notice of incorporation of the Lodi Land and Lumber Co., principal office, San Francisco; Directors S. P. Taylor, C. A. Flanders, P. A. Eakins, Henry T. Baker, and A. A. Osborn.

1880 Census, Twp 2, Alpine County, California

FLANDERS, Charles A., 39 yrs, married, Cord Wood Contractor, ME/ME/ME  
( and nine employes

Next is household of Herbert **Lindsay**, Laborer

FLANDERS, Silas H., 26 yrs, Single, Laborer, ME/ME/ME

1880 Census, Carroll, Penobscot County, Maine (HH of Oren L. Lindsay, Farmer)

FLANDERS, Evaline L., 30 yrs, dau, married, ME/ME/ME  
FLANDERS, Ralph L., 10 yrs, grandson, Single, ME/ME/ME

Carson Morning Appeal, 6/29/1881:

The Flanders wood drive of 4,000 cords is now on its way to Dayton and Empire, following close on the Longabaugh drive of 5,000 cords.

Sacramento City Cemetery Interment Listing:

FLANDERS, Charles A., 49 yrs, died Jan. 1, 1891, Burial New Helvetia Cemetery, Reinterred Sacramento City Cemetery, Lot 1496 (Book A, pg.8 of cemetery's records), b. ME, Apr 22, 1837, Cause of death-aneurysm/aorta

Note: Evelyn Flanders, b. 4/1850 and widowed, was living with son Ralph and family in Boston, MA. She noted that she had given birth to **2 children with just 1 then-living**. The baby in the Empire City Cemetery is the child that did not survive. In this year, Ralph Flanders was the secretary of a music society. In 1910, Ralph was the manager of the New England Music Conservatory.

Amador Dispatch, 5/27/1882:

Last Saturday evening while Mr. J. D. Stoken, of Volcano, was exhibiting a pistol to a customer, unconscious that it had been loaded, it accidentally went off, the ball striking his brother-in-law, Mr. Victor Baker in the head, causing death to follow in about 40 minutes afterward. **Samuel Flanders, a forty-niner**, died at the Exchange hotel May 21, 1882. He was a native of Massachusetts.

The Flanders Family from Europe to America (Edith Flanders Dunbar, 1935), pg. 556:

2909 Charles A. Flanders, b. Apr 22, 1837, at Auburn, Me.; d. at Sacramento, Ca. (R:432); married Evelyn Frances **Lindsay** (M:4); b. at Carroll, Me. (M:4).

Child (Flanders) (R:432):

+4805 i. Ralph Lindsay, b. Aug. 1, 1869, at Carroll, Me. (M:4)

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists information as shown on gravestone; lists age as 1 yr, 9 mos, 11 days

**FLYNN, Baby Boy** born 15 Dec 1971 died 18 Dec 1971 Temp Marker  
(On Lawrence list; info is from that; "Burial plot not located.")



(Photo by Pam, Find A Grave)

**FOOTE, Andrew** died 24 Apr 1932 Unmarked

Nevada State Journal, 4/27/1932 (Wednesday):

Carson City Miner Laid to Rest. Carson City, Nev., Apr. 26 – Funeral services for the late Andrew FOOTE, 54-year-old mining man who died here Sunday following a long illness, were held today at the Kitzmeyer-Elges chapel, Rev. M. J. Hershey, officiating...

A number of relatives and friends attended the services and **accompanied the remains to the Empire cemetery for interment in the family plot**. Pallbearers were Fred Frisbie, Dick DeCosse, John Sanger, Pete Pieirini, Al Eske, Sr., and Burd Lindsay.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Records, Carson City, Nevada; Book 1902-1934 (transcribed by Elinor Berger):

1932, April 26, Andrew Foote, 54 years, heart, Residence Reno, Nevada, Reverend M. J. Hersey.

Virginia & Truckee Railroad Directory, 1873-1874:

FOOTE, Andrew, bds (boards) Corbett House, Carson City

FOOTE, Wm., bds (boards) Corbett House, Carson City

1880 Census, Outside Carson City, Ormsby County, Nevada

FOOT, Andrew, 36 yrs, married, Laborer, CAN/SCOT/SCOT  
FOOT, Mary, 26? yrs, wife, Keeping House, CA/ENG/ENG  
FOOT, Andrew Jr., 2 yrs, son, at home, NV  
FOOT, Agnies, 8 mos, dau, at home , NV

Daily Nevada State Journal, 7/8/1883:

A Singular Disappearance. The Carson Index says on the 31st of March last Mr. **William Foote**, of Washoe City, purchased a through ticket from Bay City, Michigan, for Washoe and departed thence for a homeward trip from a visit to his relatives. Since then he has not been heard of by his friends at either end of the line. His whereabouts are being earnestly sought through medium-ship of correspondence. It is hoped that his ticket and trunk check may reveal the point to which he had progressed upon the journey prior to his journey. His **brother, Andrew Foote**, works at the Brunswick mill, in this county and is under very great anxiety to learn what became of him. The missing man is five feet six inches high and of light complexion, blue eyes, dark auburn hair and light eyebrows, chin whiskers and moustache. If William does not soon put in an appearance he will be credited to the lost department and the newspapers will be asked to hunt him up. It is possible he went to the Black Hills, Wyoming, to search for another brother who is in that section of the country.

Note: Per Elinor Berger, Howard family descendant, Mary Ann Howard was married to Andrew Foote and Chaplin Cornelius "Chap" Small.

Carson City Recorder's Database:

FOOTE, Andrew, 54 yrs, DC File 4926, Book 3, pg. 32, dated 4/24/1932.

**FOOTE, Elizabeth A.**                      born 30 Oct 1879                      died 16 Sep 1883                      Tombstone  
(On Lawrence list; DOB listed as 30 Oct 1879; plot EMP-88-03.)

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists as Elizabeth A. Foote; DOB listed as 29 July 1879; DOD as 16 Oct 1883. A second listing under this same date sent by LDS with the original carbon copy sent adds: "(children of neighbors; very poor people. He invited them to use his plot for their burials.)"



(Photo by Elinor Berger, 2/8/2011)



**FOOTE, Johnnie H.** born 12 Oct 1881 died 8 Oct 1883 Tombstone  
(On Lawrence list; info is from that; plot EMP-88-04.)

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists as Johnnie H. Foote; remainder as above. A second listing under this same date sent by LDS with the original carbon copy sent adds: “(children of neighbors; very poor people. He invited them to use his plot for their burials.)”

**FOOTE, Unknown Child** born Apr 1885 died May 1886 Probable

Email from Elinor Berger, dated 3/2/2011:

In the back of a Family Bible, I found a notation that Andrew Foote and Mary Ann Howard had a toddler die.

Born April 1885. Died May 1886.

Probably buried in the Foote family plot in Empire

**FOSTER, Paul** died 3 Mar 1887 Possible

Territorial Enterprise, 1886-1892 [via Ancestry; Doreen Robinson database]

FOSTER, Paul; Empire City Nv; 63 yrs; Death

**FOX, Joseph** died Jun 1872 Possible

Sacramento Daily Union, 6/27/1872:

The Drowning of Joseph Fox. – Five men, including Fox, in a boat started from Empire, Nevada, lately, to go to the Brunswick Mill, on the Carson river. The Carson Register says: “It appears that the river was running so swiftly that the boat became unmanageable, and one of the number, Milt Elstner, son of the Superintendent of the mill, leaped out and reached the bank, as her going over the falls seemed inevitable, when by some mismanagement she capsized and all went overboard. Fox, being unable to swim, was drowned; the others escaped. He was about 37 years of age and a native of Longford, Ireland.

1870 Census, Virginia City, Storey County, Nevada [Household of M. E. Spooner]

FOX, Jos., 35 yrs, Butcher, IRE

Note: Not found by tombstone at any of the other cemeteries in the area.

**FULTON, Robert** died 19 Oct 1868 See note

Sacramento Daily Union, 10/27/1868:

Died. In Empire city, Oct. 19th, Robert Fulton, aged 47 years.

Note: The death notice did not include “Nev.,” so that it is questionable if this is a Nevada death. He is included to record the death at “Empire city” on the off chance it is Nevada.

**GAVIN, Thomas** died pre-1900 Possible

Re: Isabella Laws GAVIN

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Nevada State Journal, 6/15/1924: Second White Child Born in Nevada Visitor Here. (re: Belle Gavin)  
(Abstract) married Thomas Gavin. Note: Belle was widowed in 1900 census.

**GAVIN, Katie** born 22 May 1880 died 15 Aug 1880 Tombstone  
(On Lawrence list; birth date taken from that; plot "E6 (EMP-11-04)".



(Photo courtesy of Elinor Berger)

This footstone is located in the Foote plot and may belong to Katie's grave.

1900 Census, Empire Township, Ormsby County, Nevada

GAVIN, Belle L., b. 8/1859, 40 yrs, widowed, **5 children born/3 living**, NV/ENG/ENG, House Keeper, owns home free of mortgage

GAVIN, Roscoe J., son, b. 7/1881, 18 yrs, Single, NV/CAN/NV, Farm Laborer

GAVIN, Jesse T., son, b. 11/1882, 17 yrs, Single, NV/CAN/NV, Laborer/Box Factory

GAVIN, Elsie B., dau, b. 11/1884, 15 yrs, Single, NV/CAN/NV, at school

LAWS, Fred A., bro, b. 10/1868, 31 yrs, Single, NV/ENG/ENG, Laborer/Cyanide Plant

Cemetery Census (taken 18 Oct 1964, on file at LDS Family History Center, Reno, NV)

Lists as Katie GAVIN, DOD 15 Aug 1880, aged 3 mos, 24 days.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Records, Carson City, Nevada; Book 1867-1890 (transcribed by Elinor Berger):

1880, Aug 25 (Line #24), Katie Agnes CAVINO (Elinor notes last name difficult to read), Residence Empire, Reverend George R. Davis.

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Note: Isabella Laws Gavin's daughter, Elsie's husband was Henry Calvin Brougher who died and then she married Frank W. Simpson, of Oakland, California. (Reno Evening Gazette, 12/29/1928) After Henry's death, Elsie became the president of the Tonopah Divide Mining Company. They had been married in 1904. Henry died 7 Nov 1922 and was buried at Mountain View Cemetery, Oakland, California. (Reno Evening Gazette, 11/7/1922.) Elsie and Frank W. Simpson died 8 Dec 1929, near Alvarado, California.

See K. C. ISBELL – the above footstone was located in that plot in 1964 and is now in the Foote plot today.

**GAVIN, Unknown Child #1**

died pre-1900

Possible

See last sentence of mother Belle Laws Gavin's death notice below.

See notes under Katie Gavin

**GAVIN, Unknown Child #2**

died pre-1900

Possible

See last sentence of mother Belle Laws Gavin's death notice below.

See notes under Katie Gavin

**GILLIGAN, James**

died 16 Jun 1874

Possible

Sacramento Daily Union, 6/19/1874:

Another Fatal Railroad Accident. – Yesterday forenoon about 11:30 o'clock, James Gilligan, a workman employed at the Merrimack mill, Carson river, was struck by an ore car and almost instantly killed. It appears that a side track runs close to the mill, on which a train of ore was being maneuvered. Gilligan had stepped in front of the door of the mill and was standing very close to the track. A fellow-workman, who stood within a few feet of him, saw the train coming and called to him to look out. The clatter of the batteries of the mill was such that Gilligan could not hear the noise of the train, and when called to by his friend turned his head toward him, while the train was approaching from the opposite direction. Just as he turned his head, the cars came up behind him, and one of the "bumpers" on the leading car struck him and crushed his skull in such a way that his brains were visible. The unfortunate man lived but a few minutes. The moment the accident occurred a dispatch was sent to Carson City for a physician, but the dispatch could hardly have reached him before the man was dead. He was a native of Ireland and a man pretty well advanced in years. It appears to have been one of those accidents which no one can foresee or guard against. – [Virginia Enterprise, June 17th] [Notice also printed in the Pioche Daily Record.]

**GONZALES, Juan**

died 27 Oct 1861 Possible

Sacramento Daily Union, 10/28/1861:

“J. GONZALES died at Dutch Nick’s, Empire City, yesterday, from the effects of poison. Chas. Schultz, bar keeper was arrested for the murder.”

Sacramento Daily Union, 10/29/1861:

“...The name of the man who died was Juan GONZALES. He was said to be a very respectable man-had been engaged in business at Silver City, and had been married just two days to a lady named Brown, who formerly lived in Indian valley, Plumas county, California.” (Schultz arrested at insistence of the brother of Mrs. Gonzales.) [See Sacramento Daily Union, 10/30/1861 was further info. Named as “James” Gonzales, he had operated a saloon at Gold Hill. No mention of where remains were buried.]

Daily Alta California (S.F., CA), 10/31/1861:

Names his wife as having been Miss Pauline Brown.

**GRIFFIN, Male child**

died 30 Aug 1863 Possible

Sacramento Daily Union, 9/3/1863:

Sad Accident in Nevada Territory. In Empire City (N.T.), August 30<sup>th</sup>, a little boy, son of G. P. GRIFFIN, a mechanic in the employ of the Silver State Reduction works, was drowned in the mill race. Mrs. Griffin and child had only arrived from the East a few days previous.