

George W. Reed and his descendants from Fairfield County, Ohio

The **REED** surname is of English origin. The name is commonly believed to be derived from the Middle English "re(a)d" or Olde English (pre 7th Century) "read" meaning "red". Originally it was a nickname given to a person with red hair or a ruddy complexion.

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1st Generation of Reeds from Fairfield County, Ohio

George W. Reed

The earliest discovered ancestor of this Reed family of Fairfield County, Ohio is **George W. Reed**. It is believed that he was born in Pennsylvania about 1810.

There were other noted Reed families living in Lancaster, Ohio in the early 1800's. To date, no connection has been found with George W. Reed.

- One is **Thomas Reed**, who was born November 29, 1800 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. He bought into a business that operated under the name of Thomas Reed & Company in the 1830's. He married Rebecca Arnold on June 21, 1833. Thomas Reed died September 29, 1860.
- Another earlier resident of Lancaster was **John Reed** who purchased lots in Lancaster between 1800 and 1802.
- A third resident was **John B. Reed**, a native of Fairfield County and born in 1809. He operated a chair making business. Per the 1898 Centennial History of Lancaster, *"In 1840 he devoted himself entirely to sign and ornamental painting, in which he excelled. He was a good amateur painter and with proper instruction would have become distinguished in that line. He was, near the close of his life, elected and served as a justice of the peace. He married a Miss Matlack"*.

Not much is known about George W. Reed. Two official records regarding him include:

- 1829 Fairfield County, Ohio Marriage record
- 1830 U.S. Census for Amanda Township, Fairfield County, Ohio

On 15 Nov 1829, George married **Delila Delong** in Fairfield County, Ohio. **Delila** was born about 1812 in Ohio.

Fairfield County, Ohio Marriages, 1829, Page 175	
Groom: George Reed	Bride: Delila Delong
Marriage Date: 15 Nov 1829	Marriage Place: Fairfield County, Ohio

Per the 1830 U.S. Census, George Reed is listed as living in Fairfield County. He is listed between the ages of 20 and 29.

1830 U.S. Federal Census, Amanda Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, NARA Series: M19; Roll Number: 130, Page: 229

Head of Family: George Reed

<u>Age Groupings</u>	<u>Birth Years</u>	<u>Assumed Names</u>
Males - 20 thru 29-----1	[1800-1811]	George W. Reed]
Females - 15 thru 19----1	[1810-1815]	Delilah Delong]
Total - All Persons-----2		

Living next door to George in 1830 was Joseph Reed. The presumption is that the male listed between the ages of 50 and 60 is Joseph Reed. It is possible that Joseph Reed is the father of George.

1830 U.S. Federal Census, Amanda, Fairfield County, Ohio, NARA Series: M19; Roll Number: 130, Page: 229

Head of Family: Joseph Reed

<u>Age Groupings</u>	<u>Birth Years</u>	<u>Assumed Names</u>
Males - Under 5-----2	[1826-1830]	
Males - 5 thru 9-----1	[1821-1825]	
Males - 30 thru 39-----1	[1790-1799]	
Males - 50 thru 60-----1	[1770-1779]	Joseph Reed
Females - 5 thru 9-----1	[1821-1825]	
Females - 15 thru 19----1	[1810-1815]	
Females - 20 thru 29----1	[1800-1811]	
Total - All Persons-----8		

George and Delila are known to have 3 sons, **Amos Thompson Reed**, **Joseph W. Reed**, and **Jacob M. Reed**.

It is calculated that George Reed died between 1835 and 1840. This is based on:

- His 3rd son, Jacob, was born in Oct 1835
- George did not appear in the 1840 Census
- His wife, Delila, married William H. Delong on 28 Aug 1840

Fairfield County Ohio Marriages, 1840, Entry 1649

Groom: William H. Delong

Bride: Delila Reed

Marriage Date: 28 Aug 1840

Marriage Place: Fairfield Cnty, Ohio

Performed by: John Crook, J.P.

Delila and William Delong had 5 known children between 1842 and 1855.

In the 1850 U.S. Census in Fairfield County, Amos (age 19), Joseph (age 17), and Jacob (age 15) are listed under the name of "Delong". Since Delila married William Delong in 1840, it is presumed that the census taker just listed everyone under the Delong name.

1850 U.S. Federal Census, Hocking Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, Roll M432_677, Page 331B, Dwelling 866, Family 866

Name	Age	Sex	PoB	Occupation
Delong, William H	32	M	Ohio	Cooper
Delong, Delila	38	F	Ohio	
Delong, Amos*	19	M	Ohio	Laborer
Delong, Joseph*	17	M	Ohio	Laborer
Delong, Jacob*	15	M	Ohio	Laborer
Delong, Gabriel	10	M	Ohio	
Delong, Harry F	8	M	Ohio	
Delong, Deanna	5	F	Ohio	

* NOTE - Amos, Joseph, and Jacob last names should have been recorded as REED.

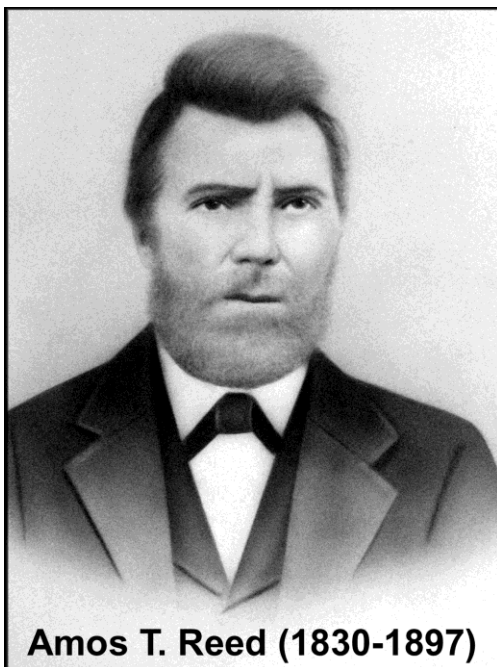
All 3 sons of George and Delila Reed served in the Civil War under the name of "Reed".

It is possible that both George and Delila are buried in Elmwood Cemetery in Lancaster. No cemetery records or gravestones exist, however, Delila's second husband, William Delong, is buried in Elmwood Cemetery.

2nd Generation of Reeds – Children of George & Delila Reed

Amos Thompson Reed

Amos Thompson Reed was born on 6 Dec 1830 in Ohio. He is the 1st son of George W. Reed and Delila Delong. Amos married **Mary Madalene Funk** on 10 Jun 1856 in Fairfield County, Ohio. Mary was born 6 Dec 1835 in Fairfield County, OH and died 17 Oct 1900.



Amos T. Reed (1830-1897)



Mary M. Funk Reed (1835-1900)

Amos and Mary are known to have had 10 children:

- Charles Partrige Reed (1857-1925)
- Hannah Ann Reed Harris (1858-1918)
- George Wesley Reed (1860-1925)
- Mary Adelia "Della" Reed Hummel (1862-1940)
- Sophia Ellen "Ella" Reed Yenrick (1865-1947)
- Clara Elizabeth "Lizzie" Reed (1867-1890)
- Bernard Amos Reed (1869-1936)
- Delila Catherine "Katie" Reed Harris (1871-1936)
- Margaret May "Maggie" Reed Britt (1874-1953)
- Teresa Agnes Reed McCabe (1877-1950)

Per "The Yenrick Family Circle 1917-1983", by Thelma Marie Yenrick Dillard (Granddaughter of Sophia Ellen Reed Yenrick), self-published in 1983:

"Amos and Mary raised their 10 children in a log cabin, which is still standing on Hamburg Road, in Hocking Township. They were members of the Hamburg Lutheran Church."

Amos Reed is listed in the "Official Roster of the Soldiers of the State of Ohio, U.S. Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles". This record states that Amos:

- Enlisted in Company B, Ohio 73rd Infantry Regiment as a Private on 20 Aug 1862 at Chillicothe, Ohio at age 31
- Enlisted as a Private
- Served for the state of Ohio
- Mustered out on 20 July 1865 at Louisville, KY

Amos died on 27 Aug 1897 at age 66. Amos and Mary Reed are both buried at the Hamburg-McKinley Memorial Cemetery, Hocking Township, Fairfield County, OH.



Joseph W. Reed

Joseph W. Reed was born on 10 May 1833 in Ohio. He is the 2nd son of George W. Reed and Delila Delong. Joseph first married **Hannah Ann Walters** on 10 Apr 1859 in Ross County, Ohio. It is presumed that she died shortly after the birth of their daughter, **Amanda Ella Reed** who was born in April 1860. Amanda married Charles F. Bock.

Joseph then married **Isabella McDowell** on 21 Jun 1866 In Ross County, Ohio. Joseph and Isabella had a daughter, **Jeannetta Worthington "Jennie" Reed** born 27 Sep 1868 and died 22 Mar 1953. Jennie married Francis Warren Yapple.

Joseph Reed is listed in the "Official Roster of the Soldiers of the State of Ohio, U.S. Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles". This record states that Joseph:

- Enlisted in Company B, Ohio 73rd Infantry Regiment as a Private on 20 Aug 1862 at Chillicothe, Ohio at age 28
- Enlisted as a Private
- Was promoted to Full Corporal on 29 Dec 1862
- Was promoted to Full Sergeant on 1 Mar 1864
- Was promoted to Full 1st Sergeant on 22 May 1865
- Mustered out on 20 Jul 1865 at Louisville, KY

Joseph contracted a medical problem on 3 Jul 1863 at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. The records of the "Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers in Dayton, Montgomery County, Ohio" show:

- Admitted: 1 Sep 1887
- Born: Fairfield Co, Ohio
- Age: 54
- Height: 5' 11"
- Complexion: Fair
- Color of eyes: Gray
- Color of hair: Gray
- Occupation: Photography
- Residence: Circleville, Ohio
- Marital Status: Widower
- Nearest Relative: Mrs. Ella Bock, Circleville, Ohio

While on furlough from The Disabled Volunteer Soldiers Home, he died on 22 Feb 1890, at age 57, in Circleville, Ohio, presumably while visiting his daughter, **Amanda Ella Bock**.

Jacob M. Reed

Jacob M. Reed was born on 25 Oct 1835 in Ross County, Ohio. He is the 3rd son of George W. Reed and Delila Delong.

According to the "Register of Enlistments in the U.S. Army, 1798-1914", Jacob:

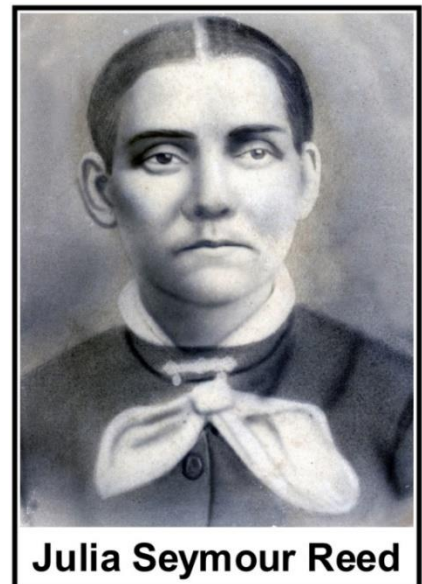
- Was born in Lancaster, Ohio and worked as a laborer
- Enlisted in the Union Army 2nd Regiment 18th Infantry on 26 Aug 1861 at Chillicothe, Ohio at age 25
- Transferred to the Invalid camp at Murfreesboro, Tennessee on 27 July 1863. No records have been found that indicates why he went to this camp.

After the Civil war, Jacob married **Julia Ann Seymour**, daughter of Solomon Seymour, Jr. and Margaret Knece, on 24 Apr 1866 in Ross County, Ohio. Jacob and Julia Ann are known to have 9 children.

- Lewis W. Reed (1866-1941)
- James Shannon Reed (1868-1944)
- Effie Ellen Reed Wonn (1872-1916)
- Emma Dell Reed Showalter (1873-1943)
- Rosella Reed Knapp (1874-1933)
- William Amos Reed (1877-1955)
- Alis Reed (1879-1879)
- Bettie M. Reed (1883-Bef 1900)
- Clarence Jacob Reed (1890-1961)

Jacob died on 23 Oct 1901 in Ross County, Ohio at age 65, and is buried in Crouse Chapel Cemetery in Ross County, Ohio.

Julia was born on 12 Mar 1844 in Ross County, Ohio, died on 14 Sep 1913 in Springfield, Clark County, Ohio at age 69. She is buried in Ferncliff Cemetery in Springfield, Clark County, Ohio.



3rd Generation of Reeds - Children of Jacob & Julia Reed

Lewis W. Reed

Lewis Reed was born 30 Jul 1866 in Ross County, Ohio. He is the 1st child of Jacob W. Reed and Julia Ann Seymour. Per the 1920 U. S. Census, he was living with his sister, Florence Wonn.

1920 U.S. Federal Census, Copley Township, Summit County, Ohio, Roll 1441 Book 2, Page 32b, Dwelling 154, Family 158

Name	Relation	Sex	Age	MS	PoB	FPoB	MPoB	Occupation
Wonn, Edmond R	Head	M	50	Wd	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	Laborer
Wonn, Florence E	Daughter	F	16	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	
Wonn, Ida A	Daughter	F	13	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	
Wonn, Rosa M	Daughter	F	10	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	
Wonn, Floyd L	Son	M	6	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	
Reed, Lewis W	Brother-in-law	M	52	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	Laborer



Lewis never married. He died on 31 Jan 1941 in Lancaster, Ohio and is buried in Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster.

James Shannon Reed

James Reed was born 12 Mar 1868 in Ross County, Ohio. He is the 2nd child of Jacob W. Reed and Julia Ann Seymour. On 10 Nov 1889, he married **Mary Catherine "Kate" Amos**, the daughter of Phillip John Amos and Margaret Ellen Hoyland, in Ross County, Ohio.

Per the 1910 U. S. Census, James and Catherine resided in Springfield Ohio. James worked at the Wickham Piano Plate Company. Catherine is listed as having 6 children born and 4 children living in 1910.

1910 U.S. Federal Census, Springfield Ward 3, Clark County, Ohio, Enumeration District 36, Roll T624_1158, Page 13A, Dwelling 27, Family 27

Name	Relation	Sex	Age	MS	PoB	FPoB	MPoB	Occupation
Reed, James	Head	M	41	M	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	Carpenter
Reed, Catherine	Wife	F	37	M	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	None
Reed, William	Son	M	17	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	Piano Factory
Reed, Carl	Son	M	13	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	None
Reed, Grace	Daughter	F	11	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	None
Reed, Gladis	Daughter	F	9	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	None

The 4 known children of James and Catherine are:

- William Leonard "Willie" Reed (1892-1958)
- Carl Reed (1896-1975)
- Grace E. Reed Rice (1898-1989)
- Gladys Marie Reed Williams Reynolds (1900-1962)

Kate died on 1 Mar 1916 and James died 10 Apr 1944 in Springfield, Ohio. Both are buried in Ferncliff Cemetery in Springfield.

Effie Ellen Reed

Effie Reed was born Apr. 26, 1872 in Ross County, Ohio. She is the 3rd child of Jacob W. Reed and Julia Ann Seymour. On 1 Oct 1893, she married **Edmond Robert Wonn** in Ross County, Ohio. Edmond is the son of William H. Wonn and Catherine Wilson.

Per the 1910 U. S. Census, Effie and Edmond resided in Scioto Township, Ross County, Ohio.

1910 U.S. Federal Census, Scioto Township, Ross County, Ohio, Roll 1226, Page 116a, Dwelling 107, Family 109.

Name	Relation	Sex	Age	MS	PoB	FPoB	MPoB	Occupation
Wonn, Edmond	Head	M	40	M	Ohio	US	US	Teamster
Wonn, Effie	Wife	F	37	M	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	None
Wonn, Quinby	Son	M	15	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	None
Wonn, Letha	Daughter	F	11	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	None
Wonn, John E	Son	M	9	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	None
Wonn, Florence	Daughter	F	6	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	None
Wonn, Ida	Daughter	F	3	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	None
Wonn, Rose M	Daughter	F	9/12	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	None

Effie and Edmond are known to have 7 children:

- Quinby Lash Wonn (1894-1983)
- Michael Wonn (1896-1897)
- Lethe Ann Wonn Bechtell Palazzolo (1898-1958)
- John E. Wonn (1900-1916)
- Florence E. Wonn (1904-1955)
- Ida Wonn Nunn Newall Patrafke (1906-1969)
- Rosa May Wonn Nelsen (1909-1986)
- Floyd L. Wonn (1913-1927)

Effie Reed Wonn died on 10 Jul 1916 at age 44 in Springfield, Ohio. Per her death certificate, she died of Pulmonary Tuberculosis. She is buried in Ferncliff Cemetery in Springfield.

Effie and Edmond's son, John, died 2 months before Effie on 17 May 1916. Per his death certificate, he died from Lobar Pneumonia. He is also buried in Ferncliff Cemetery, Springfield.

Edmond Wonn died on 28 Jun 1951 in Chicago, Illinois. He is buried in Wunder's Cemetery in Chicago, Illinois.

Emma Dell Reed

Emma Reed was born 28 Apr 1873 in Ross County, Ohio. She is the 4th child of Jacob W. Reed and Julia Ann Seymour. On 17 Sep 1891, she married **Peter F. Showalter** in Ross County, Ohio.

Per the 1910 U. S. Census, Emma and Peter resided in Chillicothe, Ross County, Ohio.

1900 U.S. Federal Census, Chillicothe Ward 6, Ross County, Ohio, Enumeration District 99, Roll T623_1318, Page 20A, Dwelling 407, Family 422

Name	Relation	Sex	DoB	Age	MS	PoB	FPoB	MPoB
Shoealtr, Peter	Head	M	Aug 1869	30	M	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio
Shoealtr, Emma	Wife	F	Apr 1873	27	M	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio
Shoealtr, Myrtle E	Daughter	F	Jun 1892	7	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio
Shoealtr, Nellie M	Daughter	F	Feb 1895	5	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio
Shoealtr, Maggie E	Daughter	F	Dec 1896	3	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio
Shoealtr, Belva C	Daughter	F	Feb 1900	3/12	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio

In 1900, Peter and Emma were listed as married 10 years with 4 children born and 4 children living.

Emma and Peter Showalter are known to have 4 children:

- Myrtle Effie Showalter Barlow
- Nellie Mae Showalter Groves
- Margaret E. Showalter Powell
- Belva C. Showalter

Emma Reed Showalter died on 14 Jun 1943 in Fairfield County, Ohio and is buried in Forest Rose Cemetery in Lancaster, Ohio.

Roselia "Rosa" Reed

Rosa Reed was born 5 Jun 1874 in Ross County, Ohio. She is the 5th child of Jacob W. Reed and Julia Ann Seymour. On 15 Jan 1898, she married **Florian F. Knapp** in Ross County, Ohio.

Per the 1910 U. S. Census, Rosa and Florian resided in Chillicothe, Ross County, Ohio.

1910 U.S. Federal Census, 4th Ward Chillicothe, Ross County, Ohio, Roll 1226 Book 2, Page 254a, Dwelling 143, Family 150, 377 Fifth Street

Name	Relation	Sex	Age	MS	PoB	Occupation
Knapp, Floyd F.	Head	M	40	M	Ohio	Carpenter
Knapp, Rose	Wife	F	35	M	Ohio	None
Reed, Clarence	Brother-in-law	M	19	S	Ohio	Barber

In 1910, Floyd and Rose were listed as married 13 years with 0 children born.

Rosa Reed Knapp died on 22 Sep 1933 in Columbus, Ohio. Florian died on 2 Apr 1928. Both are buried in Union Cemetery, Columbus, Ohio.

William Amos "Bill" Reed

Bill Reed was born on 27 Feb 1877 in Springfield Township, Ross County, Ohio. He is the 6th child of Jacob W. Reed and Julia Ann Seymour. On 13 Oct 1903, he married **Blanche Althea Lathey**, the daughter of Asbury Newton Lathey and Lillian Maybelle "Belle" Cook in Springfield, Clark County, Ohio.

Per the 1910 U. S. Census, Bill and Blanche resided in Springfield with 2 children.



William Amos "Bill" Reed & Blanche Lathey
Wedding Picture - 1903

1910 U.S. Federal Census, Springfield, Clark County, Ohio, Roll 1158, Page 174A, Dwelling 241, Family 243

Name	Relation	Age	Sex	MS	PoB	Occupation
Reed, William A.	Head	33	M	M	Ohio	Drill Hand-Piano Plate
Reed, Blanche	Wife	24	F	M	Ohio	None
Reed, Ernest	Son	6	M	S	Ohio	None
Reed, Robert	Son	2	M	S	Ohio	

In 1910, Amos and Blanche Lathey Reed were listed as married 7 years in 1900 with 2 living children and 2 children born.

Bill registered for the draft for World War I. Because of his age, he was not drafted.

World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

-Name: William Amos Reed

-Birth Date: 28 Feb 1877

-Age: 42

-Employer: Wickham Piano Plate

-Nearest Relative: Mrs. Blanche Reed

-Height/Build: Tall/Medium

-Eye/Hair Color: Blue/Light Brown

-Residence: 1926 Sunset Ave., Springfield, Clark County, Ohio

By 1940, Bill and Blanche had moved back to Fairfield County, Ohio.

1940 U.S. Federal Census, Hocking Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, Roll T627_3065, Enumeration District 23-12, Page 14B, Dwelling 281

Name	Relation	Sex	Age	MS	PoB	Occupation
Reed, William A	Head	M	74	M	Ohio	Labor-Farm
Reed, Blanche A	Wife	F	54	M	Ohio	
Reed, Alberta M	Daughter	F	14	S	Ohio	
Reed, Jack S	Son	M	10	S	Ohio	

Bill and Blanche Reed are known to have 8 children:

- Ernest Leroy Reed
- Robert Emory Reed
- Joseph William Reed
- Eva Althea "Pat" Reed Lombardi
- Elma Marcille Reed
- Lawrence Eldon Reed
- Alberta Marguerite "Byrd" Reed Roy
- Jack Lee Reed

Bill Reed died on 24 Feb 1955 in Lancaster, Ohio. He is buried in Forest Rose Cemetery in Lancaster.

After Bill died, Blanche moved to Florida to be near her children. She died on 5 Feb 1959 in Sarasota, Florida and is buried in Sarasota Memorial Park in Sarasota.



The William Amos "Bill" Reed Family - December 1939

Back Row L-R: Joe, Eva "Pat", Alberta, Elma, William "Bill", Blanche, Ernest

Front Row L-R: Jack, Larry

Lancaster Eagle-Gazette LANCASTER, OHIO, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1955

William A. Reed

William A. Reed, 77, of 109½ E. Main St., died at 11:30 a.m., Thursday in Lancaster - Fairfield Hospital, where he was taken after suffering a hip fracture in a fall Saturday evening beside the stairway leading to his upstairs apartment, above the Radio Electric Shop.

He is survived by his widow, Blanche; three sons: Ernest L. Reed, Lancaster Rt. 2, Lawrence Reed, Washington, D. C., and Jack L. Reed of the home; three daughters: Mrs. Pat Lombardi, Sarasota, Fla., Mrs. Gene Roy, Dallas, Tex., and Miss Elma Reed of the home; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and one brother, Clarence Reed, Springfield.

Services will be conducted Saturday, 2 p.m., in the Ray Wise Funeral Home, by the Rev. Sydney Waddington, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church. Burial is to be made in Forest Rose cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home.

Sarasota Herald-Tribune SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 8, 1959

MRS. BLANCHE A. REED

Mrs. Blanche A. Reed, 73, died Saturday in the Memorial Hospital. She had lived in Sarasota four years, residing in the White City Trailer Park. Before moving to Sarasota she made her home in Lancaster, O.

Mrs. Reed is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Pat Lombardi, Miss Elma Reed, and Mrs. Alberta Roy, all of Sarasota; three sons, Jack Reed of Sarasota, Ernest Reed of Tampa, and Chief Warrant Officer Lawrence Reed of the U.S. Air Force station in Omaha, Neb.; one sister, Mrs. Lois Lemon of Detroit, Mich.; 6 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. from the Toale Brothers Downtown Chapel, 40 N. Orange Ave. Father Charles Ricker of the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer will officiate. Interment will be in Sarasota Memorial Park.

Alis Reed

Alis Reed appears in the 1880 U. S. Census as 1 year old. She is the 7th child of Jacob W. Reed and Julia Ann Seymour. No other records have been found about her. Alis' mother is listed as having 9 children with only 7 children living. Based on that, she died prior to 1900.

1880 U.S. Federal Census, Huntington, Ross County, Ohio,
Enumeration District 149, Roll 1062, Page 271B, Dwelling 314,
Family 328

Name	Sex	Age	Relation	MS	PoB	FPoB	MPoB	Occupation
Reed, Jacob	M	37	Head	M	Ohio	Penn	Penn	
Reed, Julia	F	35	Wife	M	Ohio	Va	Penn	Keeping House
Reed, Louis	M	13	Son	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	
Reed, James	M	11	Son	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	
Reed, Emma	F	9	Daughter	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	
Reed, Effie	F	7	Daughter	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	
Reed, Rose	F	5	Daughter	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	
Reed, William	M	3	Son	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	
Reed, Alis	F	1	Daughter	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	

Bettie M. Reed

Bettie Reed was born 12 May 1883 in East Scioto Township in Ross County, Ohio. She is the 8th child of Jacob W. Reed and Julia Ann Seymour.

Ross County, Ohio Birth Registers, 1883-1890, Vol. 3, line 39
 -Name: Bettie M. Reed
 -Gender: Female
 -Birth Date: 12 May 1883
 -Birth Place: E. Scioto Twp., Ross County, Ohio
 -Father: Jacob M. Reed
 -Mother: Julia Ann Seymore
 -Residence of Parents: E. Scioto Twp

No other records have been found about her. Per the 1900 U. S. Census, Bettie's mother is listed as having 9 children with only 7 children living. Based on that, she died prior to 1900.

Clarence Jacob Reed

Clarence Reed was born 29 Jul 1890 in Ross County, Ohio. He is the 9th child of Jacob W. Reed and Julia Ann Seymour. Per the 1910 U. S. Census, he resided with his sister, Rose, in Chillicothe, Ohio and was working a barber.

1910 U.S. Federal Census, 4th Ward Chillicothe, Ross County, Ohio, Roll 1226 Book 2, Page 254a, Dwelling 143, Family 150, 377 Fifth Street

Name	Relation	Sex	Age	MS	PoB	Occupation
Knapp, Floyd F.	Head	M	40	M	Ohio	Carpenter
Knapp, Rose	Wife	F	35	M	Ohio	None
Reed, Clarence	Brother-in-law	M	19	S	Ohio	Barber

In 1910, Floyd and Rose were listed as married 13 years with 0 children born.

On 7 Feb 1912, Clarence married **Blanch Sheley**, the daughter of Sylvester Sheley and Emma Miller. Blanch was born in Washington, Daviess County, Indiana.

Clarence moved to Springfield, Ohio with his family and registered for the draft during World War I.

World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

-Name: Clarence Jacob Reed
 -Age: 26
 -Birth Date: 29 Jul 1890
 -Birthplace: Chillicothe, Ohio
 -Employer: Robbins & Meyer
 -Marital Status: Married
 -Dependents: Wife, two children
 -Residence: 1400 W. High St., Springfield, Clark County, Ohio

In 1930, Clarence and family still lived in Springfield, Ohio.

1930 U.S. Federal Census, Springfield, Clark County, Ohio, Enumeration District 23, Roll 1756, Page 9A, Dwelling 185, Family 202, 1647 Belmont Ave.

Name	Relation	Sex	Age	MS	PoB	FPoB	MPoB	Occupation
Reed, Clarence	Head	M	38	M	Ohio	Ohio	Ind	Machinst
Reed, Blanche	Wife	F	38	M	Ohio	Ohio	Ind	None
Reed, Clarence	Son	M	17	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ind	None
Reed, Edward	Son	M	14	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ind	None
Reed, Russell	Son	M	12	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ind	None

In 1942, Clarence registered for the draft for World War II.

U.S. World War II Draft Registration Cards, 1942**-Name: Clarence Reed Sr****-Age: 51****-Birth Date: 29 Jul 1890****-Birth Place: Chillicothe, Ohio****-Employer: International****-Residence: 734 Kenton St. Springfield, Clark County, Ohio****-Person that will always know your address: Blanch Reed, wife**

Clarence and Blanch are known to have 3 children:

- Clarence L. Reed (1912-1943) – married Anna Belle Fair in 1935
- Edward Jacob Reed (1916-1986) – married Nora Elizabeth Honefanger in 1947
- Russell Herbert Reed (1917-1998) – married Susan Pauline McWilliams

All 3 sons served in the U.S. Army during World War II. Clarence was killed in North Africa on the first anniversary of his entrance into the Army on April 25, 1943.

**SPRINGFIELDER IS KILLED
IN AFRICA; ONE WOUNDED**


Word has been received in Springfield this week that one local soldier was killed in action in North Africa and that another was wounded in action in the European area.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Reed, 734 Kenton st., received the message from the War Department that their son, Staff Sergt. Clarence L. Reed, 30, was killed in North Africa on the first anniversary of his entrance into the Army, April 25.


Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Castillo, 1314 S. Limestone st., were notified that their son, Staff Sergt. Richard M. Castillo, had been wounded in Europe.

Sergt. Reed, who was a radio gunner in the Army Air Force, was graduated from radio school at Scott Field, Ill., in October of 1942, and was sent to Fort Myers, Fla., where he was graduated from gunnery school. He was then attached to a bomber squadron and flew overseas in the latter part of last February.

Before entering the service on (See **KILLED**—Page 2)



CLARENCE L. REED



Clarence L. Reed-c1942

Blanch died on 8 Mar 1959, at age 69, in Springfield, Ohio and is buried in Ferncliff Cemetery in Springfield. Clarence died 2 years later on 10 Mar 1961, at age 70, in Springfield. He is also buried in Ferncliff Cemetery.

4th Generation of Reeds - Children of William & Blanche Reed

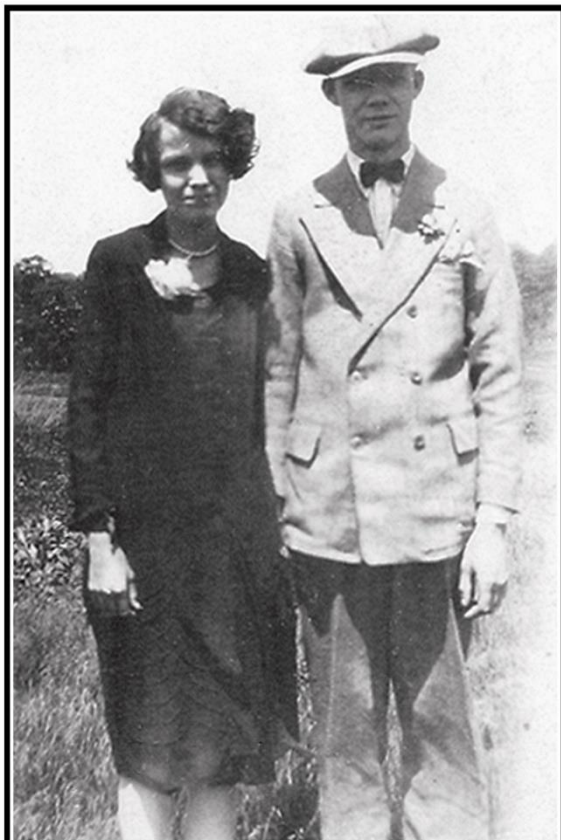
Ernest Leroy Reed

Ernest Reed, the eldest child of William "Bill" Reed and Blanche Lathey, was born on 1 May 1904 in Springfield, Clark County, Ohio. He is the 1st child of William "Bill" Reed and Blanche Lathey.

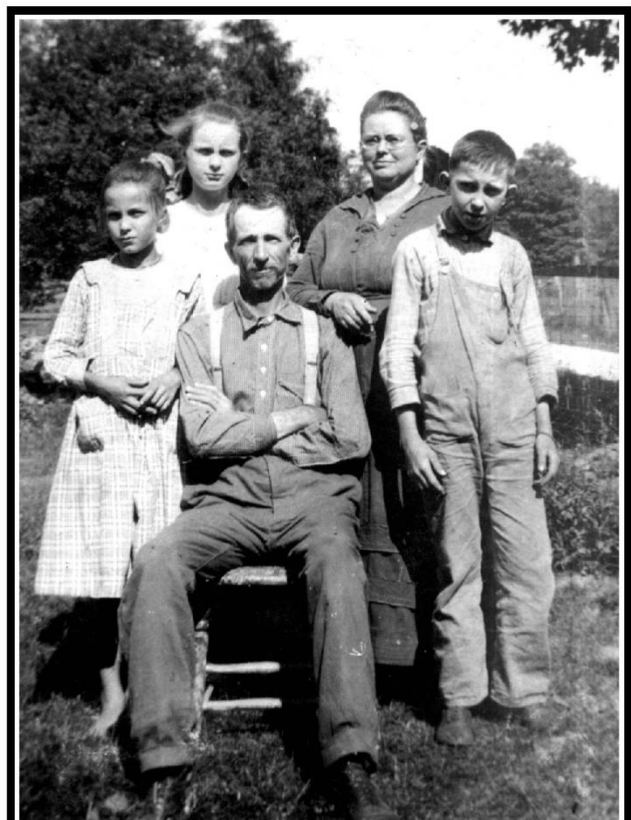
George W. Reed
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 --Joseph W. Reed
 --Jacob M. Reed
 ----William Amos "Bill" Reed

On 11 Oct 1924, Ernest married **Emma Frances Craiglow** in Lancaster, Ohio.

Emma Craiglow was born 30 Mar 1907 in Hocking Township in Fairfield County, Ohio. She is youngest child of James Franklin "Frank" Craiglow and Jennie Maybell Mason.



Emma Craiglow & Ernest Reed
 Wedding Day - 11 Oct 1924



L to R: Emma, Mary, J. Frank, Jennie
 Mason & Tracy Craiglow (circa 1915)

Per the 1910 U. S. Census, Emma resided in Fairfield County with her parents, brother Tracey, and sister Mary.

1910 U.S. Federal Census, Hocking Twp, Fairfield County, Ohio, Roll T624_1178, Enumeration District 58, Page 10A, Dwelling 213, Family 221, Beck Road

Name	Relation	Sex	Age	MS	PoB	FPoB	MPoB
Craiglow, Frank J	Head	M	39	M	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio
Craiglow, Jennie M	Wife	F	29	M	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio
Craiglow, Mary V	Daughter	F	5	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio
Craiglow, Tracy E	Son	M	4	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio
Craiglow, Emma F	Daughter	F	3	S	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio

Ernest and Emma are known to have 4 children:

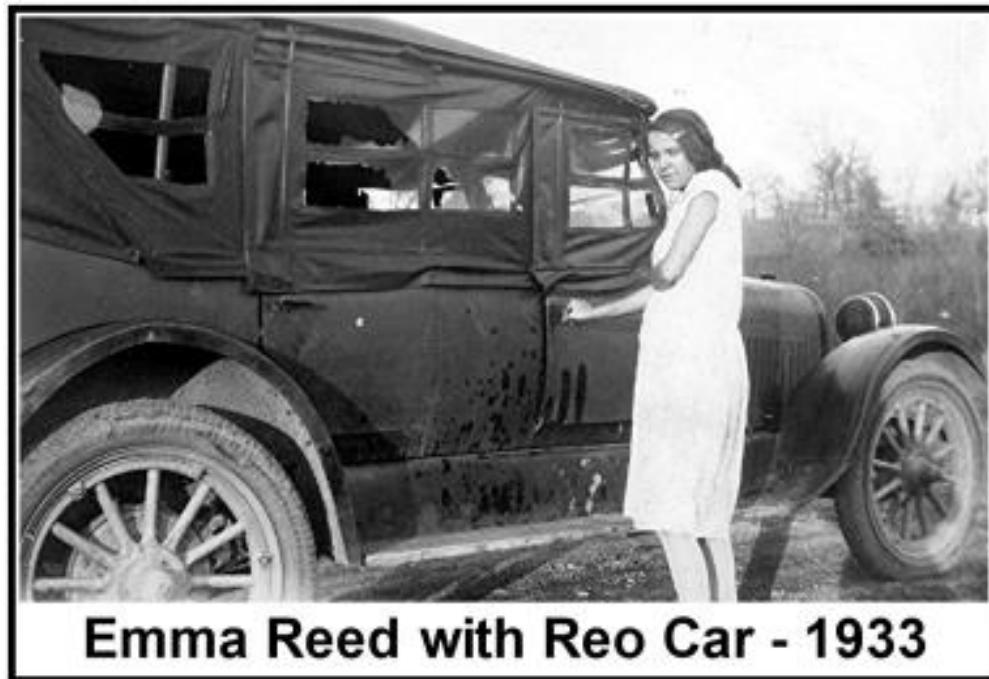
- Frances Ilene Reed
- Marjorie Belle Reed
- Ernest Eugene "Bud" Reed
- Eloise Marie Reed



Emma Craiglow & Ernest Reed
with Ilene - 1926



L-R: Ernest, Marge, Ilene,
Emma Craiglow Reed - c1929



Emma Reed with Reo Car - 1933

Per the 1940 U. S. Census, Ernest and family resided in Hocking Township in Fairfield County, Ohio. Both Ernest and Emma worked at the Anchor Hocking Glass Factory.

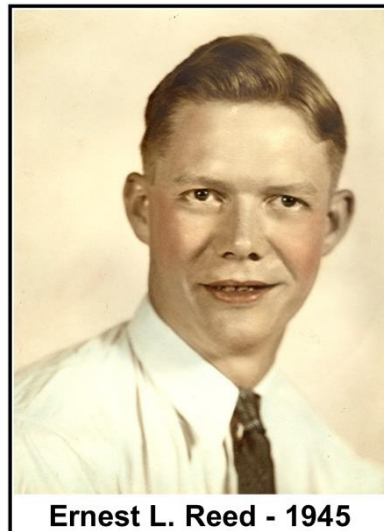
1940 U.S. Federal Census, Hocking Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, Roll T627_3065, Enumeration District 23-12, Page 5A, Dwelling 96

Name	Relation	Sex	Age	MS	PoB	Occupation
Reed, Ernest L	Head	M	35	M	Ohio	Sprayer-Glass Factory
Reed, Frances E	Wife	F	33	M	Ohio	Box Maker-Glass Factory
Reed, Frances I	Daughter	F	14	S	Ohio	
Reed, Marjorie B	Daughter	F	11	S	Ohio	
Reed, Ernest E	Son	M	6	S	Ohio	
Reed, Eloise M	Daughter	F	6	S	Ohio	

Ernest worked for Borden Dairy for a number of years delivering dairy products to area stores. In the late 1950's, he and Emma sold the farm they owned near the Lancaster Golf Club and moved to Tampa Florida. He continued to work for Borden in Tampa.



On 14 Aug 1961, Ernest and Emma divorced. Ernest then married Florence Elaine Harper on 17 Jan 1962. Emma did not remarry but continued to live in Tampa until the early 1990's when she moved back to Lancaster, Ohio. Ernest died on 28 Oct 1985 in Largo, Florida. His ashes are scattered over the gulf of Mexico. Emma died on 27 Jun 1998 in Lancaster, Ohio. She is buried in St. Mary Cemetery in Lancaster.



Robert Emory Reed

Robert Reed was born on 17 Nov 1907 in Springfield, Ohio. He is the 2nd child of William "Bill" Reed and Blanche Lathey. He is listed as 2 years old in the 1910 U. S. Census.

George W. Reed
--Amos Thompson Reed
--Joseph W. Reed
--Jacob M. Reed
----William Amos "Bill" Reed

1910 U.S. Federal Census, Springfield, Clark County, Ohio, Roll 1158, Page 174A, Dwelling 241, Family 243

Name	Relation	Age	Sex	MS	PoB	Occupation
Reed, William A.	Head	33	M	M	Ohio	Drill Hand-Piano Plate works
Reed, Blanche	Wife	24	F	M	Ohio	None
Reed, Ernest	Son	6	M	S	Ohio	None
Reed, Robert	Son	2	M	S	Ohio	

In 1910, Amos and Blanche Lathey Reed were listed as married 7 years in 1900 with 2 living children and 2 children born.

Robert died 31 Dec 1911 in Springfield, Ohio. Per his death certificate, he died from diphtheria. He was 4 years, 1 month and 14 days old. He is buried in Ferncliff Cemetery in Springfield.

Joseph William "Joe" Reed

Joe Reed was born 25 Jun 1910 in Springfield, Ohio. He is the 3rd child of William "Bill" Reed and Blanche Lathey. Joseph married **Rosalie F. Schneider**, the daughter of Samuel L. Schneider and Mary Rose Schrader. Per the 1940 U. S. Census, Joe and Rosalie resided with Rosalie's mother in Fairfield County, Ohio.

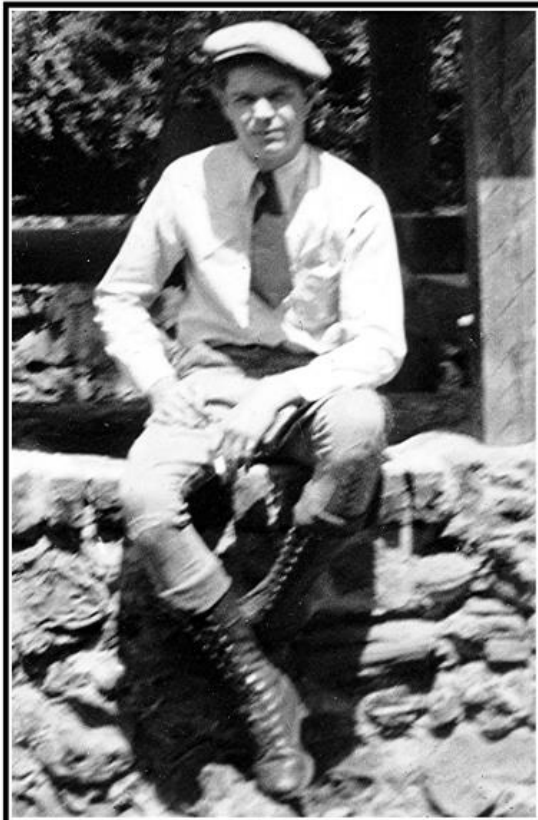
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----William Amos "Bill" Reed

1940 U.S. Federal Census, Berne Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, Roll T627_3065, Enumeration District 23-5, Page 1A, Dwelling 7, Maple Street

Name	Relation	Sex	Age	MS	PoB	Occupation
Schneider, Rose	Head	F	56	W	Ohio	
Smith, Mary	Daughter	F	32	W	Ohio	Inspector-Glass Factory
Smith, Norma J	Granddaughter	F	10	S	Ohio	
Smith, Ronald	Grandson	M	7	S	Ohio	
Reed, Joseph	Son-in-law	M	29	M	Ohio	Sign Painter-Own Bus.
Reed, Rosalia	Daughter	F	28	M	Ohio	Laundry Worker
Garrison, Eugene	Grandson	M	15	S	Ohio	

In 1928, Joe started a sign painting company called the "Reed Outdoor Advertising Service". It was located behind the retail store "Luckoffs" in downtown Lancaster, Ohio.

In a November 1941 article in the Lancaster Eagle Gazette, it said that



Joseph William "Joe" Reed

he "operates a comprehensive sign service and is fully equipped to supply any type of sign, including neon and painted displays, such as highway bulletins, painted metal or wood signs, truck lettering, gold leaf signs, banners, posters and show cards."

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LANCASTER, OHIO, FRIDAY, JULY 3, 1942

Reed Offers An Expert Sign Service



All Kinds of Signs are produced by Joe Reed in his Labor Union Affiliated Shop.

According to Webster's International Dictionary, a sign is a lettered board or other conspicuous notice, placed on or before a building, room, shop or office to advertise the business there transacted or the name of the person or firm conducting it; a publicly displayed token or notice.

From earliest days of civilization signs have been used to announce places of business or goods and services and from these simple notices of long ago has grown the great and elaborate sign business of today. When walking or riding through city streets or on the highways of the nation, our attention is constantly being attracted by smartly styled signs.

An attractive sign is one of the surest means of calling public attention to a place of business or to specific makes of merchandise.

Point-of-purchase advertising is necessary to every business and profession, no matter how large or how small.

Joe Reed is pictured above in his sign shop located at the rear of Luckoff's, center main, working on one of his many distinctive business-getting signs. Mr. Reed has specialized in commercial and out-door display signs of all types for the past fourteen years.

The Reed Outdoor Advertising Service includes the designing and making of new signs, as well as the repainting and rehanging of present signs and the jobbing of neon signs. Free estimates on sign service any place in central Ohio are gladly furnished.

Mr. Reed does everything "from business cards to billboards" and it is all his own work.



Joe died on 9 Oct 1944 in Lancaster, Ohio. Per his death certificate, he died of cirrhosis of the liver at 34 years 3 months and 14 days. His obituary says that he died of a heart attack. He is buried Forest Rose Cemetery in Lancaster. The printed

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LANCASTER, OHIO, MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1944

John William Reed

John William Reed, 34, was found dead in bed at 5 a. m., Monday, in his home at 1091-2 East Main-st. Reed was the owner of the Reed Sign company in Center Alley.

Coroner J. D. Dupler viewed the body and said Reed had been suffering from Cirrhosis of the liver the past two years, according to Reed's family physician. Reed died of a heart attack in his sleep.

He leaves the widow, Rosalie; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Reed, three sisters, Elma, Alberta and Eva Reed, all of the home; three brothers, Ernest and Jack Reed, both of Lancaster, and Sgt. Lawrence Reed, U. S. A., Camp Robinson, Arkansas.

The body was removed to the J. V. Halteman funeral home where arrangements will be announced later. Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p. m. Tuesday.

obituary incorrectly identified him as "John" William Reed. The funeral notice corrected the error.

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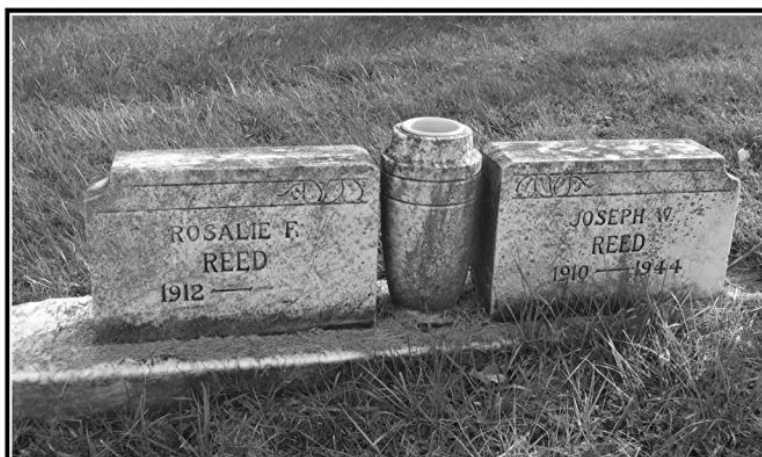
LANCASTER, OHIO, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1944

REED FUNERAL THURSDAY

Funeral services for Joseph William Reed, 34, Lancaster sign painter, who was found dead in bed early Monday, will be held Thursday, 2 p. m., in the J. V. Halteman funeral home. The Rev. Paul O. Weimer is to officiate and burial will be made in Forest Rose cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home any time.

After Joseph Reed died, his widow, Rosalie, married Robert A. Winans on 31 Dec 1945.

Although Rosalie's name is on the gravestone with Joseph, she is buried beside her 2nd husband in Forest Rose Cemetery in Lancaster.



Joseph Reed Gravestone
Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Ohio

Eva Althea "Pat" Reed

Eva "Pat" Reed was born on 22 May 1913 in Springfield, Ohio. She is the 4th child of William "Bill" Reed and Blanche Lathey. Pat married **Maurice Pickering "Maury" Warner** on 28 Nov 1944 in Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware.

George W. Reed
--Amos Thompson Reed
--Joseph W. Reed
--Jacob M. Reed
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Maury died on 8 Mar 1948 in Chicago, Illinois. He is buried in Harris Cemetery in Adair, McDonough County, Illinois.

Pat Reed was a dancer and model. She was featured in the Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey Circus as a show girl riding an elephant.

Pat and her sister, Alberta "Byrd" Reed, were hired by Ringling Brothers as dancers "sight unseen". The circus management sent them train tickets from Lancaster, Ohio to Tampa, Florida. They had to take a bus from Tampa to the winter home of the circus in Sarasota, Florida. They had 6 weeks to learn their routines and then it was on the road across the country to perform with the circus.



Eva Althea "Pat" Reed
Ringling Brothers Barnum & Bailey Circus - circa 1950

Pat appeared in the movie "Greatest Show on Earth", a tribute to circuses, which was released in 1952.

In 1953, Pat married **Atelindo Vincent "Att" Lombardi** in Sarasota, Florida. They later divorced.



Pat Reed & Att Lombaradi



**Eva "Pat" Reed
Grand Entrance
Ringling Brothers Circus
with Elephant "Ruth"**

Att was born in Dec 1914 and died in Jul 1985 in California. Pat died on 16 Oct 1995 in Sarasota, Florida. Her ashes were scattered in the Gulf of Mexico.



Eva Althea "Pat" Reed

Circa 1938

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LANCASTER, OHIO, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1950

Lancaster Sisters To Be In DeMille Circus Film Epic

The Reed Sisters, Alberta and Pat, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Reed, 109½ East Main st, featured show girls with the Ringling Bros, Barnum & Bailey circus, are currently appearing with the troupe at the Palacio de la Depoctes, Havana, Cuba, for a six-weeks engagement.

Upon their return around January 12 to the circus winter quarters at Sarasota, Fla., they will start working in the Cecil B. De Mille movie production "The Greatest Show on Earth" being filmed there, and starring Betty Hutton, Lucille Ball and other Hollywood notables.

Elma Marcille Reed

Elma Reed was born on 14 Jan 1916 in Springfield, Ohio. She is the 5th child of William “Bill” Reed and Blanche Lathey. Per the 1920 U. S. Census, Elma resided in Springfield, Ohio.

George W. Reed
 --Amos Thompson Reed
 --Joseph W. Reed
 --Jacob M. Reed
 ----William Amos “Bill” Reed

1920 U.S. Federal Census, 2nd Ward, Springfield, Clark County, Ohio, Roll 1354 Book 1, Page 148a, Dwelling 21, Family 21, 1926 Sunset Avenue

Name	Relation	Sex	Age	MS	PoB	Occupation
Reed, William	Head	M	42	M	Ohio	Drill Hand-Piano Plate Co
Reed, Blanch	Wife	F	34	M	Ohio	None
Reed, Ernest L	Son	M	15	S	Ohio	None
Reed, Joseph	Son	M	9	S	Ohio	None
Reed, Eva	Daughter	F	6	S	Ohio	None
Reed, Elma	Daughter	F	3 11/12	S	Ohio	None

In 1946, Elma and her sister, Alberta “Byrd”, were sent to Panama by their New York agent to perform in a show. After they arrived, they found out the show was cancelled. They had to stay in Panama awaiting boat passage to get back to the United States. After a month waiting, they sailed back on the Danish ship Marchen Maersk.



Back: Blanche Lathey Reed, Elma Reed
 Front: Alberta Reed, Larry Reed
 Lancaster, Ohio - 1932

While waiting, they took in the sites including the workings of the Panama Canal. As Byrd described the experience, *“we liked our tropical setting and made friends with English speaking local natives. It was quite an impromptu education, new food, new culture, etc. And the trip back home by ship, well, the Danes are noted for excellent food, however, I was seasick for the bulk of the time.”*

Elma did not marry. She died on 15 Feb 1998 in Sarasota, Florida. Her ashes were scattered in the Gulf of Mexico.



Eva Reed, Ernest Reed, Elma Reed (June 1985)

Lawrence Eldon "Larry" Reed

Larry Reed was born on 29 May 1921 in Springfield, Ohio. He is the 6th child of William "Bill" Reed and Blanche Lathey. On 8 Dec 1945, he married **Thelma Pauline Redding** in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.



**Lawrence Eldon "Larry" Reed
1941**

Thelma is the daughter of Fletcher Hill Redding and Edna Pennington. She was born 27 Mar 1920 in Searcy, White County, Arkansas.

On 15 Oct 1940, Larry joined the Army and was discharged on 28 Sep 1945. On 28 Jan 1947, he reenlisted in the Army until 7 May 1956. He then enlisted in the Air Force on 8 May 1956 and served until 31 Jul 1969.

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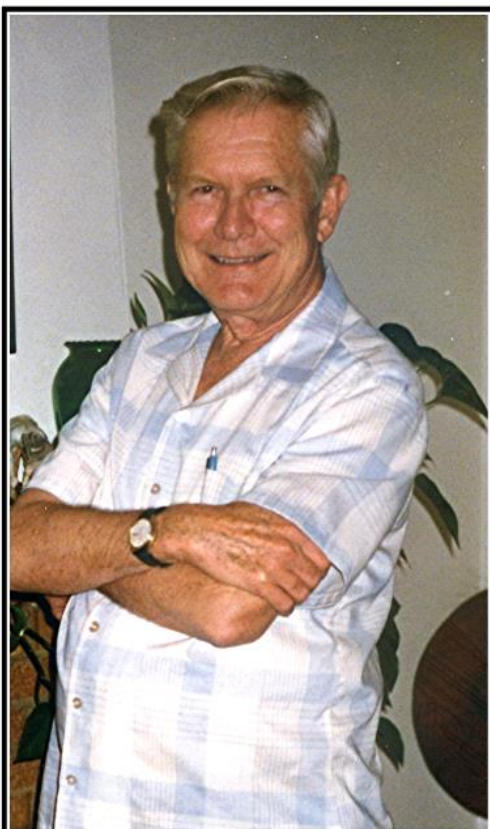


Thelma Redding Reed

Larry and Thelma are the parents of one daughter, Rosemary Elaine. According to Rosemary, Larry *“was a cartographer for the Army during WW2 and was a published mapmaker. He was one, if not the only one, of the photo interpreters that discovered the missiles in Cuba during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Mom said he came home from work anxious and worried but went right back without saying why. The next morning, it was made public that silos had been discovered in Cuba. He was a photo interpreter at the time with Strategic Air Command. Years later he admitted to it but didn’t say anything at the time, of course, because of the classified elements”*.

Larry retired from the U.S. Air Force as a Chief Warrant Officer from the Strategic Air Command (SAC) in Bellevue, Nebraska. Upon retiring, he worked as an art instructor and commercial artist. He and Thelma continued to live in Bellevue in retirement.

Larry died on 30 Jan 1987 in Bellevue, Sarpy County, Nebraska. He is buried Bellevue Cemetery in Bellevue. Thelma died 11 Oct 2000 in Bellevue, Nebraska. She is also buried Bellevue Cemetery in Bellevue.



Larry Reed - 1985



Alberta Marguerite "Byrd" Reed

Alberta "Byrd" Reed was born on 29 Jan 1926 in Lancaster, Fairfield County, Ohio. She is the 7th child of William "Bill" Reed and Blanche Lathey.

George W. Reed
 --Amos Thompson Reed
 --Joseph W. Reed
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Byrd was a dancer and show girl traveling with musicals and the Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey Circus. She began earning her own way at age 15 tap dancing along with her 2 sisters, Eva "Pat" Reed and Elma Reed in 1941.

In Byrd's words, *"The Great Depression had a lot to do with our leaving home as things weren't too easy at home. Plus, personally, I was "kicking my stall", so to speak, to be on stage after seeing my sisters on stage somewhere in West Virginia circa 1930's"*.



**Alberta "Byrd" Reed Roy
 Theater Latin Dance
 1947 - Age 21**

In 1949, a musician they knew from their travels had played trumpet with the Ringling Brothers Circus band. The musician happened to mention the sisters to the management of Ringling Brothers and they wanted to hire them.

The circus management sent Byrd and Pat a contract and train tickets from Ohio to Sarasota, Florida. The sisters remarked *"Where, pray tell, is Sarasota Florida"*. They accepted the offer having not a clue what they were getting into. Byrd and her sister Pat were hired by Ringling Brothers as dancers "sight unseen".

Their older brother, Ernest, drove them from Lancaster to Columbus, Ohio to catch the train. The train tickets only took them to Tampa, Florida. Byrd and Pat had to take a bus

from Tampa to the winter home of the circus in Sarasota, Florida. Once there, they had 6 weeks to learn their routines and then it was on the road across the country to perform with the circus.

Once in Sarasota, they were met and driven to a hotel and told to report the next day for rehearsals at the nearby Circus Winter Quarters. By Byrd's account, *"The circus was a very foreign "country" to theater girls. But we said what the heck – it's better than freezing our bazookies in Ohio."*



Alberta "Byrd" Reed Roy
Lipizzaner Horse Act
Austrian Soldier Costume
Madison Square Garden, NY
1950 - Age 24

When they arrived for rehearsals, Byrd remarked, *"We walked into another planet – foreign acts, not even speaking English, plus animals. We were greeted by 3 orangutans plus wild performing animals. I'll tell you it was a trip to the Land of Oz. American girls were quite in the minority."*

Per the December 1950 article, Byrd and Pat were part of the 1951 movie "The Greatest Show on Earth."

Pat stayed with the circus for 5 years, however, Byrd only stayed 2 years. Per Byrd, she *"missed theater and I've always been a musician at heart, which I took up afterward."*

In March of 1952, Byrd married **Eugene Euclide "Gene" Roy, Jr.** in Boston, Massachusetts. Gene is the son of Eugene Euclide "Gene" Roy, Sr. and Aurore Dumas. He was born on 14 Oct 1927 in Woonsocket, Providence County, Rhode Island. After they married, they moved to Miami, Florida. They later divorced. Byrd and Gene are the parents of one son, Gordon Eugene Roy.

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Per a 24 Dec 1989 article in Sun Sentinel in Fort Lauderdale, Florida,

Gene Roy was a sax and clarinet player with Ray Anthony and Tex Beneke in the 1940s.

"You might have a 300-mile road trip on a bus every night," recalls Roy, 61, who plays at the Ocean Reef Country Club in Key Largo during the winter. "As soon as you'd get to the city, probably around 8 a.m., you'd check into the

hotel and sleep all day. You'd get up, maybe have time to get something to eat, and then play another gig. Then you'd do it all over again."

Gene Roy, meanwhile, helped those big band leaders like Mooney who were still on the road.

"When a band leader came to Florida to work a particular club, he would call me and I would hire a band for him," Roy explains. "He would bring his book (music) with him, and the band would play it."

Nobody ever knew that these weren't the real band members playing.

Before rounding up bands for other band leaders, however, Roy probably had one of the most interesting jobs a musician ever held.

"I played in the band for the Ringling Brothers Circus," he says. "I toured the country with them and appeared under the canvas. At that time they did a lot of one-nighters. I think at one point we must have done around 90 one-nighters."

"I was in my 20s, so I didn't mind it that much. It was interesting to travel the country in 96 railroad cars with 1,500 other people."



Alberta Reed & niece Ilene Reed
S. Columbus St., Lancaster, Ohio - 1930

Jack Lee Reed

Jack Reed was born on 13 Dec 1929 in Lancaster, Fairfield County, Ohio. He is the 8th child of William "Bill" Reed and Blanche Lathey. Jack did not marry.

George W. Reed
--Amos Thompson Reed
--Joseph W. Reed
--Jacob M. Reed
----William Amos "Bill" Reed



Jack Lee Reed - 1950

Per Jack's sister Alberta "Byrd" Reed Roy, Jack was hired to drive a truck to haul away roof debris. Someone decided that Jack would work on the roof carrying heavy buckets of tar and materials up a ladder to the roof. On the day he died, it was 95 degrees. Because of the heat, Jack experienced heat exhaustion. Someone of the job drove Jack home but he died as soon as he walked in the door. Jack's sister, Elma, found him as she returned from shopping.

Jack died on 10 May 1973 in Sarasota, Florida. He is buried in Sarasota Memorial Park in Sarasota, Florida.

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Jack Lee Reed

Funeral services were recently held at Toale Brothers Colonial Chapel, Sarasota, Fla., for Jack Lee Reed, 43, of 2736 Old Bradentown Rd., Sarasota. He was a native of Lancaster and moved to Sarasota in 1955.

Reed also served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He was buried in Sarasota Memorial Park.

Surviving are two brothers, Ernest L. Reed, Seminole, Fla., Chief Warrant Officer, Lawrence E. Reed of Bellevue, Neb.; three sisters, Miss Elma Reed and Mrs. Pat Lombardi, Sarasota, and Mrs. Alberta Roy, Miami, Fla.; all are known in this area.

Family Group Record for Jacob M. Reed

Family Group Record for Jacob M. Reed

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Husband		Jacob M. Reed	
Born	25 Oct 1835	Ross County, OH	
Christened			
Died	23 Oct 1901	Ross County, OH	
Buried		Crouse Chapel Cemetery, Ross County, OH	
Father	George W. Reed (Abt 1810-Between 1836/1840)		Mother Delila Delong (Abt 1812-Bef 1863)
Marriage	24 Apr 1866	Ross County, OH	
Wife		Julia Ann Seymour	
Born	12 Mar 1844	Ross County, OH	
Christened			
Died	14 Sep 1913	Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Buried		Ferncliff Cemetery, Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Father	Solomon Seymour Jr. (1810-1882)		Mother Margaret Kness (1813-1901)
Children			
1	M	Lewis W. Reed	
Born	30 Jul 1866	Ross County, OH	
Christened			
Died	31 Jan 1941	Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Spouse			
2	M	James Shannon Reed	
Born	12 Mar 1868	Ross County, OH	
Christened			
Died	10 Apr 1944	Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Buried		Ferncliff Cemetery, Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Spouse	Mary Catherine "Kate" Amos (1872-1916)		10 Nov 1889 - Ross County, OH
3	F	Effie Ellen Reed	
Born	26 Apr 1872	Ross County, OH	
Christened			
Died	10 Jul 1916	Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Buried		Ferncliff Cemetery, Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Spouse	Edmond Robert Wonn (1869-1951)		1 Oct 1893 - Ross County, OH
4	F	Emma Dell Reed	
Born	28 Apr 1873	Ross County, OH	
Christened			
Died	14 Jun 1943	Fairfield County, OH	
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Spouse	Peter F. Showalter (1869-1938)		17 Sep 1891 - Ross County, OH
5	F	Roselia "Rosa" Reed	
Born	5 Jun 1874	OH	
Christened			
Died	22 Sep 1933	Columbus, Franklin County, OH	
Buried		Union Cemetery, Columbus, Franklin County, OH	
Spouse	Florian F. Knapp (1871-1928)		15 Jan 1898 - Ross County, OH

Family Group Record for Jacob M. Reed

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Children (cont.)		
6	M	William Amos "Bill" Reed
Born	27 Feb 1877	Ross County, OH
Christened		
Died	24 Feb 1955	Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
Spouse	Blanche Althea Lathey (1885-1959) 13 Oct 1903 - Springfield, Clark County, OH	
7	F	Alis Reed
Born	Abt 1879	Ross County, OH
Christened		
Died	Bef 1900	
Buried		
Spouse		
8	F	Bettie M. Reed
Born	12 May 1883	Ross County, OH
Christened		
Died	Bef 1900	
Buried		
Spouse		
9	M	Clarence Jacob Reed
Born	29 Jul 1890	Ross County, OH
Christened		
Died	10 Mar 1961	Springfield, Clark County, OH
Buried		Ferncliff Cemetery, Springfield, Clark County, OH
Spouse	Blanch Sheley (1890-1959) 7 Feb 1912 - Clark County, OH	

Family Group Record for Amos Thompson Reed

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Page 1

Husband		Amos Thompson Reed	
Born	6 Dec 1830	Fairfield County, OH	
Christened			
Died	27 Aug 1897	OH	
Buried		Hamburg-McKinley Memorial Cemetery, Hocking Township, Fairfield County, OH	
Father	George W. Reed (Abt 1810-Between 1836/1840)		Mother Delila Delong (Abt 1812-Bef 1863)
Marriage	10 Jun 1856	Fairfield County, OH	
Wife		Mary Magdalene Funk	
Born	6 Dec 1835	Fairfield County, OH	
Christened			
Died	17 Oct 1900	OH	
Buried		Hamburg-McKinley Memorial Cemetery, Hocking Township, Fairfield County, OH	
Father	Abraham Funk (-)		Mother Mary Geil (-)
Children			
1	M	Charles Partridge Reed	
Born	9 Jun 1857	Fairfield County, OH	
Christened			
Died	5 Aug 1925	Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Spouse	Martha Jane Partig (1856-1919) 22 Jul 1879 - Fairfield County, OH		
2	F	Hannah Ann Reed	
Born	19 Dec 1858	Fairfield County, OH	
Christened			
Died	15 Jan 1918	Fairfield County, OH	
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Spouse	Valentine Harris (1850-1929)		
3	M	George Wesley Reed	
Born	20 Oct 1860	Fairfield County, OH	
Christened			
Died	20 Dec 1925	Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Spouse	Mary Martha Brandon (1869-1948)		
4	F	Mary Adelia "Della" Reed	
Born	7 Nov 1862	Fairfield County, OH	
Christened			
Died	2 Jan 1940	Ashland, Ashland County, OH	
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Spouse	Charles Fremont Hummel (1856-1913)		
5	F	Sophia Ellen "Ella" Reed	
Born	30 Jan 1865	Fairfield County, OH	
Christened			
Died	15 Feb 1947	Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Spouse	Charles Bernard Yenrick (1865-1948) 18 Sep 1887 - Fairfield County, OH		

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6	F	Clara Elizabeth "Lizzie" Reed
Born	5 Jun 1867	OH
Christened		
Died	25 Jul 1890	
Buried		Hamburg-McKinley Memorial Cemetery, Hocking Township, Fairfield County, OH
Spouse		
7	M	Bernard Amos Reed
Born	20 Aug 1869	Hocking Township, Fairfield County, OH
Christened		
Died	17 Nov 1936	Hocking Township, Fairfield County, OH
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
Spouse	Anna L. (1872-1947)	Abt 1892
8	F	Delila Catherine "Katie" Reed
Born	22 Oct 1871	Fairfield County, OH
Christened		
Died	24 Sep 1936	Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
Spouse	William Harris (1859-1933)	3 May 1891 - Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
9	F	Margaret Mary "Maggie" Reed
Born	1 Aug 1874	Fairfield County, OH
Christened		
Died	14 Mar 1953	Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
Buried		Saint Mary Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
Spouse	John James Britt (1876-1967)	
10	F	Teresa Agnes Reed
Born	8 Jan 1877	Fairfield County, OH
Christened		
Died	16 Jul 1950	Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
Spouse	Harry Jacob McCabe (1876-1923)	1899
Spouse	Edward J. Myers (Abt 1870-)	

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Husband		William Amos "Bill" Reed	
Born	27 Feb 1877	Ross County, OH	
Christened			
Died	24 Feb 1955	Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Father	Jacob M. Reed (1835-1901)		Mother Julia Ann Seymour (1844-1913)
Marriage	13 Oct 1903	Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Wife		Blanche Althea Lathey	
Born	5 Jun 1885	Zaleski, Vinton County, OH	
Christened			
Died	5 Feb 1959	Sarasota, Sarasota County, FL	
Buried		Sarasota Memorial Park, Sarasota County, Sarasota, FL	
Father	Asbury Newton Lathey (1853-1904)		Mother Lillian Maybelle "Belle" Cook (1860-1919)
Children			
1	M	Ernest Leroy Reed	
Born	1 May 1904	Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Christened			
Died	28 Oct 1985	Largo, Pinellas County, FL	
Cremated		Ashes Scattered in Gulf or Mexico	
Spouse	Emma Frances Craiglow (1907-1998)		11 Oct 1924 - Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
Spouse	Florence Elaine Harper (-)		17 Jan 1962
2	M	Robert Emory Reed	
Born	17 Nov 1907	Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Christened			
Died	31 Dec 1911	Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Buried		Ferncliff Cemetery, Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Spouse			
3	M	Joseph William "Joe" Reed	
Born	25 Jun 1910	Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Christened			
Died	9 Oct 1944	Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Buried		Forest Rose Cemetery, Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH	
Spouse	Rosalie Frances Schneider (1912-1982)		
4	F	Eva Althea "Pat" Reed	
Born	22 May 1913	Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Christened			
Died	16 Oct 1995	Sarasota, Sarasota County, FL	
Cremated		Ashes Scattered in Gulf or Mexico	
Spouse	Maurice Pickering "Maury" Warner (1903-1948)		28 Nov 1944 - Wilmington, New Castle County, DE
Spouse	Atelindo Vincent "Att" Lombardi (1914-1985)		9 Aug 1973 - Sarasota County, FL
5	F	Elma Marcille Reed	
Born	14 Jan 1916	Springfield, Clark County, OH	
Christened			
Died	15 Feb 1998	Sarasota, Sarasota County, FL	
Cremated		Ashes Scattered in Gulf or Mexico	
Spouse			

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6	M	Lawrence Eldon "Larry" Reed
Born	29 May 1921	Springfield, Clark County, OH
Christened		
Died	30 Jan 1987	Bellevue, Sarpy County, NE
Buried		Bellevue Cemetery, Bellevue, Sarpy County, NE
Spouse	Thelma Pauline Redding (1920-2000) 8 Dec 1945 - Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, PA	
7	F	Alberta Marguerite "Byrd" Reed
Born	29 Jan 1926	Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
Christened		
Died		
Buried		
Spouse	Eugene Euclide "Gene" Roy Jr. (1927-1994) Mar 1952 - Boston, Essex County, MA	
8	M	Jack Lee Reed
Born	13 Dec 1929	Lancaster, Fairfield County, OH
Christened		
Died	10 May 1973	Sarasota, Sarasota County, FL
Buried		Sarasota Memorial Park, Sarasota County, Sarasota, FL
Spouse		

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