

On August 22, 1936, James Grant Roach, 19, and Madge Leona Hoffman, 18, were married in St. Charles, Missouri; St. Charles County. James Grant was a son of James T. and Agnes Eaton Roach.

Valerie Sue Davis was born on August 31, 1936 in Bartlesville, Oklahoma; Washington County, to Everett Pete and Dorothea Cunningham Davis. She was their 2nd child and 2nd daughter. Everett Pete Davis was the son of Andy T. and Kate Roach Davis Alexander.

In late August or early September, Caro Sedgewick went to her second teaching job near Sisseton, S.D.; a little town called Peever. She taught many Indian children-stayed here 2 years and taught.

On September 3, 1936, Arabella McElderry Roach died of childbirth complications-she had always had a hard time during childbirth, but this one was exceptional and possibly she was not as strong as she had once been. She died in Belleville, Illinois; St. Clair County and left her husband, John N. Roach and 11 living children-the youngest, Nadine was only 3. Arabella was buried at Mt. Carmel Cemetery after a funeral Mass at St. Mary's Catholic Church, alongside her mother-in-law, Mary Kelly Roach and her own baby who had not lived. This was a sad time for this family. Her son Fred McElderry Roach was with the C.C.C.'s out in California and was not able to get home for her funeral.

William Michael Roach was born on October 8, 1936 in Norfolk, Virginia to Stanley E. and Lillian Dougherty Roach. He was their first child and first son. Stanley was the son of James T. and Agnes Eaton Roach.

James L. Roache, Sr. had not been well for some time-the summer was extremely hot and dry in Woonsocket, S.D. as it was in much of the rest of the mid-west and the heat in particular, bothered him. A letter survives that he wrote that summer to his sister, Maggie out in Denver, telling her of the heat and their crops and garden that had burned up. He mentioned 100 little chickens that were still doing well-told her she was lucky to have a "little penshon"-said he had no "penshon". He asked her to come and visit him and his family in the fall when it was cooler and their visit would be more enjoyable. This was not to be-she was not too well, herself-James had to rest alot and by fall it was apparent he would have to have more care so was taken to the Baltzley Nursing Home in September. His heart was not strong and he was also suffering from "dropsey". On November 11, 1936 he died from heart trouble. All his children were with him except Ray, who was living in Montana at the time, but he had been to see his father and visit with him in October when James was still able.

Funeral services were held November 13, at Holy Heart of Mary Catholic Church; Requiem Mass was celebrated by Fr. F. Edward. James Roache was buried at St. Wilfrid's Cemetery in Woonsocket, S.D. alongside his wife Sarah McCormick Roache who died in 1906.

On December 28, 1936 Patricia Samuels was born in Warrensburg, Missouri; Johnson County to Tracy E. and Fern Roach Samuels. She was their 7th child and 6th daughter. Tracy worked in the Warrensburg area as a carpenter and even though it was the "Depression" he must have been able to get enough work to stay on there and support his growing family.

In 1936 Myrtle Roach Oyres, living and working in Price, Utah, met Bert D. Pilling, a miner who worked in the "low coal" mines for Castle Gate Coal Co., in Castle Gate, Utah. On January 11, 1937 they were mar-

ried in Evanston, Wyoming; Utica County. James Brown, an elder in the L.D.S. Church, performed the ceremony. Their witnesses were W.D. Marshall and J. Robert Hamblin. They returned home to Price or Castle Gate where Bert went back to work and Myrtle was her own housekeeper once again. They planned to save money through the winter so they could go to Washington in the spring and get LaRue, Myrtle's daughter and bring her home with them.

Robert Kelsey was born to Edmund J. and O'Deal Berryman Kelsey in Los Angeles County in the first months of 1937. He was their 1st child and 1st son. Edmund was a son of Edmund R. and Florence Roach Kelsey.

Alice Irene Burry was born March 22, 1937 in Scottsbluff, Nebraska; Scotts Bluff County to Joe and Floss Humphrey Burry. Alice was their 3rd child and 2nd daughter. Floss was the daughter of George E. and May Burns Humphrey.

Ronald Marsh was born on April 3, 1937 to Milton and Velma Roache Marsh in Woonsocket, S.D.; Sanborn County. He was their 1st child and 1st son. Velma was a daughter of Harry & Clio Ball Roache.

Sometime in April or May, 1937 after they had been married 3 or 4 months, Bert D. and Myrtle Roach Oyres Pilling left Utah and went to White Salmon, Washington to visit Myrtle's parents and get her daughter LaRue. When Bert and Myrtle got there, they found their folks living in a tent and Carl was working in the timber. Bert got a job in the timber-his mining job had been on again, off again and this was steady work for the summer. This arrangement also gave LaRue a chance to know her step-father and ease into her new family. When work ran out in the timber for Bert in White Salmon, he and Myrtle went to Toppenish to look for work. They traded their car for a log truck so they could haul logs and ended up having to sell it-they lost most of their investment; they decided then to head back to Utah, and Frank and Jettie saw the three of them off on the bus for Price.

Vera Roach Chaffin may have married for the 2nd time in 1937 to James Stephens in Ozark, or the Ft. Smith, Arkansas area, or in Sapulpa, Oklahoma; Creek County. No record has been found. Eventually they had two sons: Bobby Joe Stephens and Jimmy Lee Stephens. Vera Roach Chaffin Stephens was a daughter of Joseph L. and Sarah Lucille Mott Roach, and a twin sister of Verva Clair Roach.

Edward and Maggie Roach Burns Roach had settled in Denver when they returned with their families from Washington in 1935. They were not well and could get "Old Age Assistance" in Denver. Their son Jim Burns was there to help care for them and also Cora and Joe lived near and Joe helped out. Cora and Joe and their 2 children lived in a little trailer in the backyard of a small apartment house where Edward and Maggie lived for a time. Later, they all moved into another apartment house-Cora and Joe had an apartment in one part and Edward and Maggie in another. Maggie had begun to have some small strokes and one affected her arm. They would go and get a little money each month from this assistance program and it helped buy their groceries.

Janice Ann Roach was born to James G. and Madge Hoffman Roach on September 1, 1937 in St. Clair County, Illinois-Belleville. She was their first child and first daughter. James Grant Roach was a son of James T. and Agnes Eaton Roach and a grandson of John and Mary Kelly Roach.

On September 21, 1937, George J. (Tuff) and Lavina Imus Humphrey had their 2nd child and first daughter, Bonita Marlene Humphrey in Hazelton, Idaho; Twin Falls County. George and his family had left Nebraska and had headed west to look for work. Perhaps their letters had encouraged the others to consider coming west, also, to work in the fruit in Idaho, Oregon, or Washington.

At this time, near Buena or Toppenish, Washington, Cora Lee Roach Sisler, her daughter Elva were not having an easy or happy time living with Herman Sisler. He would hurt Cora Lee and their marriage was not a happy one. They were living in a tent when one day Cora Lee's parents came to see her—they came upon Herman hurting Cora Lee right then, so Franke and Jettie helped Cora pack her things while Franke and Herman probably exchanged a few choice words and they took her and Elva with them when they left. Cora and Elva never went back to live with Herman Sisler again.

On October 19, 1937, Glen and Vivian Kelsey Gettle had twin girls—their first children, in Long Beach, California. They named them Glenda Jean Gettle and Gloria Lee Gettle.

In late October, 1937, times being hard in Nebraska and work over for the season at the sugar beet factories in the area for George E. Humphrey, he and his family decided to head west to seek work in the fruit—stop over in south-central Idaho and visit George J. Humphrey and his family and see what they might find in that area. They loaded everything they could on a Model A they had; put Harry, Bill, and Betty in the backseat and with their "beet check" in their pocket, headed for Idaho. They left in the middle of the night and never even said good-bye to the relatives in the area before they went.

The Humphrey's were in the area between Parma, Idaho and Nyssa, Oregon in late November—they had been on the road for about 3 weeks—perhaps they had stopped off to work at a place or two or visited with their son, George J. for awhile. They had had a hard time finding a place to live while in the area and had finally located the basement of an old farmhouse where they set up "home". May Burns Humphrey had gotten sick in mid-November and it is believed they may have stopped here so she could get some rest and recuperate. Winter was coming on and the weather was getting cold. They fixed up the basement of this old house as best they could and put their mattresses on the floor—May lay there on her mattress and as time went on she did not get any better. They finally got a doctor after they had been there about a week—November 15—due to her diabetes and having the "flu", she became increasingly worse. Someone in the Humphrey family wrote or called May's half-sister, Myrtle Roach Noble in San Francisco and asked her to come—she was the family's "person to the rescue". They also may have written other members of the family and told them what was happening. Several of the married children started to Idaho where their mother was so ill and hoped to arrive there before it was too late.

Myrtle Roach Noble was good at organizing and taking over in an emergency and she came as soon as she could. A number of women in the neighborhood had been helping the family out as best they could—bringing food and comfort—but May still was not recovering. Finally, in the middle of the night on November 29 the family around her bed, she became real quiet and didn't move—they called her name and she didn't answer—they frantically called again—then they realized she was dead. About this same time, a lantern they had hung up on a nail on the door fell to the floor of the basement and oil and flame quickly spread. It startled them in this moment of their grief and scared them, too, but

they all had to quickly extinguish this fire before it burned them and the few belongings they had there. This whole affair was so traumatic some of the children became nearly hysterical.

After May died, George Humphrey went to get the doctor-arrangements were made to take her body to a funeral home in Caldwell, Idaho, about 20 miles away. The family purchased a lot in the Parma Cemetery and on December 1, 1937 after a memorial service at the funeral home, May Burns Humphrey was laid to rest in the Parma Cemetery. After packing up what they owned, they bid Myrtle Roach Noble good-bye as she left for her home in California. Some of the family continued on and perhaps settled for a time in the Nyssa-Vail area of Oregon not far from Parma. The others returned to their homes and families in Nebraska, Illinois, Colorado, and Idaho.

Larry Dewayne Davis was born on November 30, 1937 in Bartlesville, Oklahoma; Washington County, to James and Dona Holman Davis. Larry was their 6th child and 4th son. James Davis worked at the National Zinc Company in town as had a number of his relatives. He was a kind and gentle man; his grandchildren remember him as loving to garden, especially growing flowers and he loved children. He was a son of Andy T. and Kate Roach Davis Alexander.

On December 4, 1937, Robert Wagner was born to Elmer O. and Agnes (Tootsie) Ogan Wagner, in Kansas City, Missouri; Jackson County. He was their 6th child and 3rd son. Over the years Elmer did a number of various jobs in the Kansas City area; for 15 years he was a driver for Armour; he was a clerk for the Frisco Railroad; and for 35 years he was a foreman for the K.C. Terminal Railway. After he officially retired, he worked for 5 years as a security guard for Pinkerton's. Sometime in 1937, Agnes (Tootsie) was told by her doctor that she had breast cancer. The few years of her life left were ones of ever increasing poor health and pain. Various members of the family helped her out with her medicinal expenses which were considerable and in other ways that they could.

On December 18, 1937 Virginia Rae (Ginger) Otte was born to Eme and Mae Kelsey Otte in Long Beach, California. She was their first and only child. Mae Kelsey Otte was a daughter of Edmund R. and Florence Roach Kelsey and a granddaughter of Maggie Roach Burns Roach.

Bert Norman Pilling was born on January 16, 1938 in Standard, Utah; Carbon County, to Bert D. and Myrtle Roach Oyres Pilling. He was their 1st child. Myrtle had a daughter now 6 from her first marriage. LaRue was living with her new family and was about to start school.

On February 21, 1938, Jack Allen Roach was born to Cecil and Betty Harvelle Roach in Grand Junction, Colorado; Mesa County. He was their 4th child and 2nd son. Cecil was a son of Frank and Pearl Felt-on Roach, Frank's first wife.

Carl O. Roach, 18, married Helen Rita McBroom on March 3, 1938 either in Washington State where the family lived or in the area of Tulare County, California. By this time, the Frank and Jettie Hatler Roach family that was in Yakima County had already moved or were getting ready to leave there and go down into California to the Exeter area.

In the spring of 1938, Cora Roach Sisler and her 2½ year-old daughter, Elva Sisler, came from Washington State back to Colorado-Cora Lee's sister, Myrtle had sent her money to come-they went first to Grand Junction so Cora Lee could show Herman Sisler's mother her

granddaughter, Elva. Then Cora Lee and Elva went to Helper, Utah where she stayed with Bert and Myrtle Roach Oyres Pilling. Eventually, Myrtle got Cora Lee a job working for the Pillings where Myrtle had worked before and Cora stayed on there for 7 years.

On March 28, Bonita Elaine Roach was born to Floyd M. and Annie Rempel Roach, in Denver, Colorado; Denver County. She was their 3rd child and 2nd daughter on this 1938 date.

Robert Arthur Cook was born to Harold and Lucille Sullivan Cook on April 25, 1938 in Grand Rapids, Minnesota; Itasca County. He was their 3rd child and 2nd son. Harold B. Cook was a son of Mame Roach Cook.

James Timothy Roach was born on April 28, 1938 to Stanley E. and Lillian Dougherty Roach in Norfolk, Virginia; he was their 2nd child and 2nd son. Stanley E. Roach was a son of James and Agnes Eaton Roach.

In 1938, Edward T. Roach and his family moved to Rapid City, S.D. from Minnesota where Ed went to work as a superintendent for Northwestern Engineering Co.. He had stayed with Stevens until they went out of business. Their children were now Eddie, 14; Mary, 12; Paul, 10; Rita, 8; and Richard, 6. Edward T. Roach was a son of John & Mary Kelly Roach.

By this time, Margaret (Peggy) Roach, daughter of Joe W. and Cora Roach Fancher Roach, had been a patient at the National Jewish Hospital in Denver for her respiratory problems. She was admitted at age 9 in about 1934 and was there 9 years. Some of the treatments consisted of having to sleep in a sleeping-bag out on an enclosed porch even in the winter when it was snowing—they would wake up and have to brush the snow off their blankets. Her parents had moved different places and taken her to various climates for her health, but had never found the place that was just right. It must have been lonesome there away from her family and relatives.

Everett Pete and Dorothea Cunningham Davis had their 3rd child and 1st son on May 18, 1938 in Bartlesville, Oklahoma; Washington County, whom they named Everett Neil Davis. Everett Pete Davis worked at the National Zinc Company as a crane operator.

Joseph Lige Davis, who had been a widower for 4 or 5 years with one daughter, Betty Davis, 6, married on July 5, 1938 to Frances Gabel in Pawhuska, Oklahoma; Osage County.

"Jack" R. Lalley, now 22 or 23, and Marie Senter, about 15, were married in the Denver area in this time period—1938 or 1939. Jack had been living in Denver and dating Marie—his Aunt Cora and her sister, Bess Roach Burnett encouraged them to get married—went with them to the courthouse or Justice of the Peace and Cora even loaned them a ring, so they could "tie the knot". On May 1, 1941, in Denver, they had their only child, a son whom they named John Howard Lalley.

Barbara Frances Davis was born on October 11, 1938 in Bartlesville, Oklahoma; Washington County to Joseph Lige and Frances Gabel Davis—she was their 1st child. Lige was son of Andy and Kate Roach Davis.

Virginia Burry was born on November 6, 1938 to Joe and Floss Humphrey in Scottsbluff, Nebraska; Scotts Bluff County. She was their 4th child and 2nd daughter. Floss was a daughter of May Burns Humphrey.

On December 26, 1938, Caro Sedgewick, 23, left her teaching career

in South Dakota and married Fred J. McElderry Roach , a step-son of her Uncle John N. Roach. They were married in Montevideo, Minnesota; Chippewa County at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Fred J. McElderry Roach had worked for construction companies with his Roach relatives for years and he and Caro moved to St. Paul, Minnesota where he had a job with S.J. Groves.

John Robert Roache was born on January 13, 1939 to John R. and Esther Olson Roache in Woonsocket, S.D.; Sanborn County. He was their 2nd child and 1st son. John R. Roache was a son of Harry and Clio Ball Roach .

Judy Kelsey was born January 30, 1939 in Los Angeles County to Edmund J. and O'Deal Berryman Kelsey. She was their 2nd child and 1st daughter. Later, Ed and O'Deal had 2 additional children: Steve Kelsey, born in 1946 and Jeff Kelsey, born in 1950; both in Los Angeles County. Edmund Kelsey was a son of Edmund R. and Florence Roach Kelsey.

On March 17, 1939, Raymond Patrick Roach, 27, and Betty Lazare 17, were married in Englewood, Colorado; Arapahoe County. Ray's older sister, Cora Lee Roach Fancher Roach went with them and stood up for them. Ray was the youngest child of William Patrick and Cindy Smothers Roach Gillespie.

The Cook family in northern Minnesota was a large and close-knit group. When Roy and Mame Roach Cook first went up to Grand Rapids from southern Minnesota to settle, they bought a 160-acre farm on the banks of the Mississippi River-sandy, rocky soil not much good for quality farming and alot of pine trees. But they put their hearts and souls into making it a home; they sold off most of the good timber to get the money to build their house. It was a large rambling structure which was never finished the way they had hoped it would be. The downstairs was finished and there was a parlor-well furnished and kept nice for company. It was hard to heat in the harsh Minnesota winters but they managed over the years. Roy always had livestock-some chickens, too. And Mame and the children planted a big garden each summer, canning what she grew, in the fall along with most of the chickens. They had alot of hard times but managed to make it. Roy loved to read and enjoyed discussing literature and other related subjects with anyone that shared his interests. He was an avid football fan-coached teams in the Grand Rapids area and was proud of the fact that he once met Jim Thorpe, the great Indian football player. He dabbled in local politics, too. For a number of years Mame did nursing for several local doctors in Grand Rapids and would go to people's homes when they were ill and take care of them and cook; do the housework. Through the years their children would come home to visit, weather crises, have babies, and bring their own families. The grandchildren tell of wonderful times at the Cook place-wild animals were near in the woods and some could be coaxed out to be fed-it was a great place for children.

Larry Marvin Pilling was born On March 22, 1939 in Spring Canyon, Utah; Carbon County to Bert D. and Myrtle Roach Oyres Pilling. He was their 2nd child and 2nd son. Myrtle had LaRue from her first marriage, so Larry was her 3rd child. Their lives had been disrupted by several moves; living in various housing near the mines where Bert worked, but now he had a good, steady job with the Spring Canyon Coal Co., operating a cutting machine in the "low coal" on his hands and knees since August 29, 1939. They lived in a house furnished by the coal company.

Twins were born on April 13, 1939 to George J. (Tuff) and Lavina Imus Humphrey in Hazelton, Idaho; Twin Falls County. They were named Glenn Lloyd and Glenda Leona Humphrey and were possibly George and Lavina's 3rd and 4th children. They had had another set of twins just prior to these or shortly afterwards, but they were born prematurely and didn't live.

On August 22, 1939, Juanita Fern Sanders, 18, and Anthony Bernard Ciston, 27, were married in Kansas City, Missouri at Redemptorist Catholic Church; Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish. Juanita Fern Sanders was a daughter of Jesse F. and Elsie Ogan Sanders Scanlon and a granddaughter of William Patrick Roach.

Mary Bergin, daughter of Jack and Teresa Roach Bergin had graduated from high school in Livingston, Montana and won a scholarship to St. Mary's, a catholic college in Leavenworth, Kansas. She worked during the summer and then left to begin her higher education in Kansas. Her father was still working for the National Park Service as a building foreman.

Possibly in this time period, Harry L. Humphrey, the son of George E. and May Burns Humphrey may have married for the first time in the Vale, Oregon area—he would have been about 21.

On September 30, 1939, Joy Sedgewick, 20, and Everett Lowe were married in Montevideo, Minnesota; Chippewa County at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Joy was the youngest daughter of Vernon E. and Anna Roach Sedgewick.

Judith Sue Ogan was born on October 3, 1939 to Andrew W. and Viola Strandberg Ogan in Kansas City, Missouri; Jackson County. She was their 11th child and 8th daughter. Andrew W. Ogan was a son of Robert D. and Lizzie Roach Ogan.

Jesse A. Ice, widower of Dea Roach Ice was now failing in health in Lakeview, Oregon. He had been living since about 1919 when his son Joshua arrived home from WWI, in Lake County Oregon with or near an older brother and his family. He had made one trip back to Indiana sometime in the mid-1930's to see his children—post cards he sent to Indiana along his way down through California and across Arizona telling them of his trip, etc. were written in a very shakey hand. Finally, in late September it became clear he would not live much longer; he died on October 3, 1939 with only his niece, Lou Ice Roberts at his bedside. He passed away in Lakeview, Oregon and is buried in the West Side Cemetery there. On the marker on his wife's grave is also a memorial to him, telling of his final resting place.

Raymond and Betty Lazare Roach had their first child and first son near Montreal, Missouri; Camden County on December 4, 1939. This clan of Roaches had once again left Denver and come east to live in Missouri. Just why they came to Camden County is not clear, but according to family stories, Joe W. Roach came alone, looking for a farm for them in early or mid-summer, 1939 and bought a farm in the Auglaize-Montreal area south of Lake of the Ozarks. Then, after he returned to Colorado to tell of his purchase, they all packed their things, loaded them on and in their cars and headed for central Missouri. In this group were Joe W. and Cora Roach Fancher Roach and their son, Jackie; Jim and Sophia Ashby Burns; possibly Clarence and Bess Roach Burnett and their daughter, Wanda; Cindy Smothers Roach Gillespie and the three Hollenbeck girls and of course, Ray and Betty Lazare Roach. It may be that some of the family stayed on in Kansas City so the children could go to school there.

In 1940 the Cheek family finally came back to Kansas City to live after having been away since 1924-William C. Cheek had been foreman of wrecking crews in Perry, Iowa; Marion, Iowa; then they were transferred to Savannah, Illinois; later to Franklin Park, Illinois and back to Kansas City. William Cheek was then made a car inspector in the Kansas City railroad yards.

On January 11, 1940, Karra Lee Roach was born in Exeter, California; Tulare County to Carl O. and Helen McBroom Roach. She was their 1st child and 1st daughter. Carl was a son of Frank F. Roach.

Possibly in this time period, Teresa Sailer and her son Robert, now 4, returned to the southern part of Minnesota from northern Wisconsin to Winona, Minnesota. Here she got a job as a waitress and later, she worked in Lewiston, Minnesota at the Norelco Coffeemaker Company; also in Plainview, canning corn. It was a hard time for a woman alone.

Maggie Roach Burns Roach had been suffering from declining health for several years-had had a number of small strokes and Edward was not well, either. They both had circulatory problems and heart trouble. Finally, on February 7, she began to fail noticeably and on the 15th of that month she died at her home of bronchial pneumonia. Her children were there, except possibly for Joe. She was laid out at home; a Rosary was said at 3:00 P.M. on Sunday and then a funeral service was held at the Church of the Annunciation in Denver. All her children and many of the grandchildren were there at her funeral-they came from wherever they lived-she was buried at Mt. Olivet Cemetery west of Denver-a lovely spot in view of the distant mountains. Edward was now very much alone and he missed her terribly. He needed more care now and continued to live in a little room in an apartment house where Joe and Cora lived, once again. He had very poor circulation in his legs and feet and they would swell. His step-son James Burns may have returned to live in Denver by this time, too, and helped look after Edward.

On February 23, 1940, Betty Rae Roach, 18 and John Porter were married in Clarksville, Arkansas; Johnson County. She was the youngest child of Joseph L. and Lucille Mott Roach Titsworth. Eventually Betty and John had 2 children; Sharon Porter born on December 4, 1941 and Johnny Ray Porter, born on September 18, 1944, both in Berniece, Mississippi. Sometime in the early 1930's, Joseph L. and Lucille Mott Roach divorced and eventually she met and married a man named Ralph Titsworth, possibly in Ft. Smith or Alma, Arkansas. He was a good man.

Perhaps about this time, William and Genevive Sailer Stark moved from Montevideo, Minnesota down to Illinois to the Aurora-Naperville area where Bill Stark found work. By this time they had 2 children; Virginia Stark, 10 and William Edward Stark, 5. Genevive Sailer Stark was a daughter of Bymo S. and Mary Roach Sailer-they had both died in the early 1930's soon after Genevive and Bill were married.

On May 25, 1940 Patsy Lee Davis was born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma; Washington County to Joseph Lige and Frances Gabel Davis-she was their 3rd child and 2nd daughter; Lige's 5th child. He was a son of Andy and Kate Roach Davis Alexander.

Frances Roach Level, 25, and Joe Donato were married on June 3, 1940 in Belleville, Illinois; St. Clair County. Frances was a daugh-

ter of Timothy F. and Bessie Farmen Roach. Frances had been married in 1932 in Chillicothe, Missouri and must have divorced several years later.

John Arthur Roach and Bess Bassinger were married in Belleville, Illinois; St. Clair County on June 18, 1940. John A. Roach was the son of John N. and Arabella McElderry Roach.

In the summer of 1940, James T. Roach had landed a fairly good job working on a school construction project in Belleville; Blessed Sacrament School building. Jobs were hard to come by during these times and Jim was pleased he had this--there were still 6 children at home to care for. The weather had been quite hot and shortly after noon on August 2, 1940, he collapsed on the job and died of heat prostration before they could get him to the hospital. He was only 59 years old. Gundlach Funeral Home handled the funeral--services were later held at St. Mary's Catholic Church and he was buried at Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Belleville. He was the husband of Agnes Eaton Roach and a son of John and Mary Kelly Roach.

Betty Harvelle Roach, wife of Cecil Roach died in Bartlesville, Oklahoma; Washington County on August 14, 1940. She left him with 3 children; Dova, 9½; Wallace, 6; and Jack, 2. It is not known what caused her untimely death nor where she is buried.

Leonard Roach, 20½, married Regina Monckton in Denver, Colorado; Denver County on August 31, 1940. He was the son of Thomas R. and Laura Taylor Roach.

On September 2, 1940 Carl M. Roach, 29 and Hazel Ruth Housand were married in Denver, Colorado; Denver County. He was a son of Thomas R. and Laura Taylor Roach.

Mary Phyllis Roach, 28, and Leo Toland were married in Cloquet, Minnesota; Carlton County on September 17, 1940. She was the youngest child of Tom and Anna Roeper Roach Brewer. Her sister Evelyn Roach Root Tetu of Milwaukee, Wisconsin was her attendant.

On October 16, 1940 Alvin Duane Roach was born to Frank T. and Ruth Spencer Roach in Grand Junction, Colorado; Mesa County. Frank T. Roach was the son of Frank F. and Jettie Hatler Roach. Alvin was their 2nd child and 2nd son; on June 11, 1937 Tom Eugene Roach was born to Frank and Ruth also in Grand Junction, Colorado--he was now 3.

In Eagle Bend, Minnesota, William (Bill) Juola, husband of Violet Roach Juola got work during the late 1930's as a rural mail carrier--when the local school burned down during the Christmas holidays in 1939, he and some other local men got jobs with the W.P.A. cleaning up the debris and watching over the site as security guards. Their daughter Kathleen was now 4.

Sometime now, Dorothy Roach met and married a man named Eugene Miller. Little is known of this marriage except he eventually went into the Army and was sent to Pennsylvania. Dorothy went there to be with him and as time went on, their situation became unhappy and Dorothy left him and returned home in 1942 to her parents in St. Paul, Minnesota. Before too long, they were divorced. Dorothy Roach was the daughter of Joseph D. and Nellie Stavig Roach.

Possibly in the fall of 1940, several Roach families went down to Odessa, Texas to work in the scrap metal business. Just what prompted this move south is not known--it appears Joe W. and Cora Roach Fancher

Roach's family left Denver and Joe's father, Edward, who was so ill; Cindy Smothers Roach Gillespie and the 3 Hollenbeck girls, the Burnetts, and the Ray Roaches. Joe and Cora left their daughter, Peggy at the National Jewish Hospital in Denver for treatment.

On January 13, 1941, Donna Cook was born to Walter T. and "Peggy" Dugan Cook in Grand Rapids, Minnesota; Itasca County. She was their 4th child and 2nd daughter.

Edward Roach had steadily become more and more ill during the past year since his wife, Maggie had died. The circulation had gotten so bad in his left leg and foot that he developed gangrene in it. On December 21, 1940 he had surgery at Denver General Hospital to remove his left leg. He never fully recovered from the shock of this operation and spent the last month of his life in the hospital. He then developed pneumonia and on Thursday, January 15, 1941, died. A rosary was said at 8:00 P. M. Friday; a Requiem Mass was held at 9:00 A.M. Saturday at the Church of the Annunciation. He was buried at Mt. Olivet Cemetery alongside his wife, Maggie.

Jerome Leigh Munro was born on January 19, 1941, to George W. and Marie Roache Munro in Mitchell, S.D.; Davison County. He was their 2nd child and 2nd son. Marie was a daughter of James Roache.

Janice Marie Roach was born on May 1, 1941 to Leonard and Regina Monckton Roach in Denver, Colorado; Denver County. She was their first child. Leonard was a son of Tommy R. Roach.

Joyce Lowe was born on May 17, 1941 in New Richmond, Wisconsin; St. Croix County to Everitt and Joy Sedgewick Lowe. She was their first child. Joy was a daughter of Anna Roach Sedgewick.

On May 18, 1941, Mary Lou Burry was born to Joe and Floss Burry in Scottsbluff, Nebraska; Scotts Bluff County. She was their 5th child and 3rd daughter. Floss was a daughter of May Burns Humphrey.

Quinn Thomas Roach, son of Thomas and Anna Roeper Roach Brewer, who had attended the Minnesota School for the Deaf in Faribault, Minnesota; since he was 8, had graduated in May of 1928. He stayed on and became a supervisor of boys at the school and by this time had been there 12 years making himself a good living and helping others. On Sunday, May 25, 1941, he and a friend, Miss Dorothy Cadwell were driving near Faribault-she was driving and he wanted to take a gravel road instead of Highway 65 and she refused. Quinn said he would get out of the car and walk, and before she could stop the car, he opened the door and stepped out. The car was still traveling about 10-20 miles per hour and Quinn fell, striking his head on the pavement, causing a fatal skull fracture. He was taken to the local hospital and lingered for 2 days; on May 27 he died. He was 33 years old; his family was overcome by his sudden death. Arrangements had to be made with them in Cloquet-funeral services were held Thursday morning, May 29, at 9 o'clock at the Immaculate Conception Church. The Rev. Daniel Higgins, Chicago missionary to the deaf conducted the service. Quinn's body was then taken to Hawarden, Iowa where his grandparents had lived; was buried at Grace Hill Cemetery there beside his father, Thomas Roach, who had died in 1915.

Margaret Roach, 25, met and married Frank S. Urban while he was stationed at Scott Field near Belleville, Illinois on July 6, 1941 in

St. Charles, Missouri; St. Charles County. They were married by a Justice of the Peace named Albert Ermling. No witnesses or attendants were given.

On July 20, 1941, Teresa E. Sailer and Mark Schneider were married in Winona, Minnesota; Winona County. Teresa E. Sailer was a daughter of Bymo S. and Mary Roach Sailer. After their marriage, they started two businesses in Winona- an "Off Sale Liquor Store" and an appliance shop, too. Teresa ran the liquor store while Mark worked in the appliance shop. Teresa's son Robert was now 5.

Sometime in July or August, 1941, Dolly Virginia Kelsey, 22, and Edward Brandhorst were married in Yuma, Arizona; Yuma County. Dolly was the youngest child of Edmund R. and Florence Roach Kelsey.

John R. and Esther Olson Roache had their 3rd child and 2nd son on August 2, 1941 in Woonsocket, S.D.; Sanborn County. They named him Timothy Lee Roache. John R. Roache was a son of Harry and Clio Ball Roache.

Also, on August 2, 1941, George Wayne Munro, husband of Marie Roache Munro died in Woonsocket, S.D. of heart trouble. Apparently, this came as a great shock to the family-just what the circumstances surrounding this untimely death are is not known, but he was the County Sheriff at his death and afterwards, his wife, Marie took over and finished out his term. He had never joined the catholic church so his funeral services were at a protestant church or at the mortuary-he was buried at Eventide Cemetery in Woonsocket, S.D.. He left his wife and two sons, Dean Kenneth Munro, almost 16 and Jerome Leigh Munro, just a baby 7 months old. After Marie finished out her husband's term for sheriff, she ran for the County Register of Deeds seat and won it easily and served 2 years.

On September 13, 1941, Joan Roach was born to Fred and Caro Sedgewick Roach in Los Angeles, California; Los Angeles County. She was their first child and first daughter. Fred was out in California working for MacDonald-Douglas in Santa Monica. Fred J. McElderry Roach was the son of Arabella McElderry Roach -wife of John N. Roach; Caro was the daughter of Vernon E. and Anna Roach Sedgewick.

Judy Roach was born on September 6, 1941 to John and Bess Bassinger Roach in St. Louis, Missouri; St. Louis County. She was their first child and first daughter. John A. Roach was a son of John N. and Arabella McElderry

The turmoll in Europe and Asia had been going on for a number of years; every American certainly felt it wouldn't be long until we got in- to WWII against the Germans and Japanese. Many young men had already enlisted and were about to be drafted into the service, including a number of the Roach descendants. On December 7, 1941 the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor and of course, the lives of everyone began to change rapidly.

Here are the Roach descendants that took part in WWII or were in shortly thereafter:

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| 1. Paul S. Barton-Army | } | Dea Roach Ice
Descendants |
| 2. Raymond Munger-Navy | | |
| 1. William F. Humphrey-Army | } | Maggie Roach Burns Roach
Descendants |
| 2. Dale J. Lalley-Army | | |
| 3. Jarold Roach-Air Corps | | |
| 4. Jack Roach-Navy | | |

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| 5. Robert James Roach-Navy | } | Maggie Roach Burns Roach
Descendants |
| 6. Edmund James Kelsey-Army | | |
| 1. Viator Roache-Army | } | James L. Roache, Sr.
Descendants |
| 2. Joe L. Roache-Navy | | |
| 3. Dean Munro-Air Corps | | |
| 4. Wayne Roache-Air Corps | | |
| 5. Francis E. Winn-Army | | |
| 1. John W. Bergin-Army | } | John Roach Descendants |
| 2. Mary Bergin-WACS | | |
| 3. Patricia Bergin-Army Nurse Corps | | |
| 4. Maurice McDermott-Army | | |
| 5. Kenneth McDermott-Army | | |
| 6. Daniel E. Roach-Army | | |
| 7. Edward M. Roach-Airborne | | |
| 8. Paul Roach-Airborne | | |
| 9. Stanley E. Roach-Navy | | |
| 10. James Grant Roach-Air Corps | | |
| 11. Robert Roach-Navy | | |
| 12. Gerald Roach-Navy | | |
| 13. Harry O'Lynn Roach -Navy(Step-son) | | |
| 14. Leon Gregory Roach-Navy | | |
| 15. Bernard Roach-Navy | | |
| 16. Joseph LeRoy Roach-Seabees | | |
| 17. Duane Roach-Navy | | |
| 18. Robert W. Roach-Air Corps | | |
| 19. Doris Roach-WACS | | |
| 20. Timothy Roach-Airborne
(Killed over Italy-1943) | | |
| 21. Patrick Roach-Airborne | | |
| 22. Gary Anthony Roach-Airborne | | |
| 23. John Jerome Roach-Army | | |
| 1. Carl O. Roach-Army | } | Thomas Roach, Jr.
Descendants |
| 2. Fred L. Roach-Army | | |
| 1. Robert Glen Ogan, Jr.-Navy | } | William Patrick Roach
Descendants |
| 2. Carl M. Roach-Army | | |
| 3. Harold L. Roach-Navy | | |
| 4. Thomas J. Roach-Navy | | |
| 5. Leonard Roach-Navy | | |
| 6. Richard L. Ogan- | | |
| 7. Charles L. Ogan-Army | | |
| 8. Carl Ray Ogan-Navy | | |

On December 11, 1941 Juanita Fern Alexander, 17 and Franke Earl Meek were married in Bartlesville, Oklahoma; Washington County. They were married at St. John's Catholic Church. His parents were named Meek but his Aunt and Uncle McKay raised him. Eventually, upon their urging and because he wanted to, he changed his name to McKay. Nita was the daughter of Tom and Kate Roach Davis Alexander. Soon after they were married, they began traveling and following construction work around the country.

In late summer of 1941, or possibly even earlier, William Herman Stokes and Edithmary Davis Packard Stokes separated; she filed divorce papers in the courthouse in Bartlesville on September 11, 1941-she was given their house, their car, and kept her "Beauty Box Salon". Also in this settlement, she was ordered to pay him \$500 for

his share of their car and \$1,000 for his share of their house and on December 20, 1941, they were officially separated. She went on with her life—eventually, became a state inspector of Cosmetology for the State of Oklahoma.

On January 14, 1942, J.P. Davis was born to Joseph Lige and Frances Gabel Davis in Bartlesville, Oklahoma; Washington County. He was their 3rd child and first son. Joseph Lige was a son of Andy T. and Kate Roach Davis Alexander.

Daniel Thomas Cook was born on February 6, 1942 to Harold and Lucille Sullivan Cook in Grand Rapids, Minnesota; Itasca County. He was their 4th child and 3rd son. Harold was a barber and had built up a good business by this time. He was the son of Roy W. and Mame Roach Cook.

In the spring of 1942, John William (Bill) Juola, husband of Violet Roach Juola, left Eagle Bend, Minnesota and went to Rockford, Illinois to seek work. The jobs he was doing in Minnesota were just not enough to live on and they wanted their own place to live. After he had been there awhile, first working for Tandy Leather Company, he found a good, steady job with Commonwealth Edison Electric and Power Company as an operator.

After some months of abdominal pain and other discomfort, Evelyn Roach Root Tetu entered a Milwaukee hospital for tests—thought she might have gall bladder trouble. They found nothing. A short time later while walking home from a neighborhood pharmacy, she suddenly fell to the sidewalk, critically ill with a coronary thrombosis attack. A blood clot had worked its way from somewhere in her body to her heart and by the time the ambulance got her to the hospital, she was dead. She left her daughter Shirley, 14, alone—Blayne Roach her brother lived in Milwaukee and helped make the funeral arrangements—she and Lester Tetu had been divorced for several years. They took her body to Hawarden, Iowa and buried her beside her father and brother in Grace Hill Cemetery. She died March 27, 1942 and was only 37 years old.

Marion Stark was born to William E. and Genevive Sailer Stark on April 15, 1942 in Aurora, Illinois; Kane County. She was their 3rd child and 2nd daughter. Genevive Sailer Stark was a daughter of Bymo S. and Mary Roach Sailer.

Sometime in 1942, Jack Bergin was sent to the Middle East to work on construction for the government to aid in the war effort. Before leaving this country, he had a series of shots for various diseases and he had a stronger reaction to them, especially the cholera one, than usual. Apparently this affected him enough later so that he had to be hospitalized in Teheran for a time—he seemed to recover, but it may have weakened and damaged his heart. In any case, he was returned to the States and his home in Salem, Oregon. After a time of recuperation, he found work as a construction superintendent.

On April 27, 1942, after years of heart trouble and failing health, Anna Roeper Roach Brewer died in Cloquet, Minnesota. The deaths of two of her children in the preceding year did not help her condition. She had been the wife of Thomas Roach and mother of their 4 children: Evelyn, Quinn, Blayne, and Mary Phyllis Roach. A funeral service was held in Cloquet and her family then took her body to Hawarden, Iowa for burial in the Grace Hill Cemetery with her 2 children and husband.

In Eudora, Kansas at Holy Family Catholic Church, Raymond Patrick Roach and his wife, Betty Lazare Roach were re-married on May 10, 1942 in a catholic ceremony. They had been married in the spring of 1939 in Englewood, Colorado by a Justice of the Peace or a County Judge. I believe Ray's sister, Cora and her husband, Joseph W. Roach also renewed their vows in this period of time at Holy Family.

On June 3, 1942, Betty Lou Roach, 17, and Arthur J. Murdock were married in Belleville, Illinois; St. Clair County at St. Marys Catholic Church by Fr. Jos. J. Orlet. They were each baptised before the ceremony. Their attendants were Dennis Roach and Mary Hopkins. Eventually, the Murdocks had 2 children: William Murdock and Pattie Murdock, born in the years 1942-1950-place unknown at this time.

A tragic accident occurred on June 28, 1942 in or near Dorchester, Illinois where the Frank McDermott family was spending a relaxing Sunday afternoon picnicking and swimming at a lake. The youngest daughter, Betty Jean, 13, was in the lake swimming and accidentally drowned. All the circumstances are not known but she was pronounced dead by 4:30 P.M.. The family was devastated, especially the mother, Margaret Roach McDermott. The body lay in state at the Wagner Funeral Home until July 1 in Staunton, Illinois, where the family lived. Services were held that day at St. Michael's Catholic Church at 9:00 A.M. by Rev. Fr. P.H. Masterson. Interment was at Staunton Memorial Park Cemetery in the catholic section.

On July 7, 1942, Marie Gillis Barton, wife of Paul S. Barton, died in Crawfordsville, Indiana; Montgomery County. She left her husband and their son, David C. Barton, 8 years old. Paul S. Barton was a son of Samuel C. and Olive Ice Barton.

While several of the Roach families lived and worked in Eudora, Kansas at the Sunflower Arsenal in the early years of WWII, their mother and grandmother, Cindy Smothers Roach Gillespie became ill due to heart trouble and had to be hospitalized in Lawrence. Finally, on July 17, 1942, she died and was taken back to Eudora by her family; given a Funeral Mass at Holy Family. Before she died, she received the rites and became a catholic. Her daughter Bess Roach Burnett buried a glass jar on her grave with a slip of paper in it giving her mother's name and dates. While her family lived in that area, they put and kept a white wooden cross on her grave. After they moved away, it slowly deteriorated and now there is apparently nothing to mark her final resting place. Her grave is located in the cemetery that serves Holy Family about a block east of the church.

Maynard Burry was born to Joe and Floss Humphrey Burry on July 31, 1942 in Scottsbluff, Nebraska; Scotts Bluff County. He was their 6th child and 2nd son. Floss was a daughter of George E. Humphrey.

John William (Bill) Juola came back to Eagle Bend, Minnesota from his new job in Rockford, Illinois to get his family-Violet Roach Juola and daughter, Kathleen Juola, now 6. They packed their belongings and left the place they'd lived so long, heading for a new life in northern Illinois.

On August 4, 1942, Michael (Mickey) Urban was born to Frank S. and Margaret Roach Urban in Biloxi, Mississippi. He was their first child.

John Jerome Roach and Leoba Bertelsman were married on August 18, 1942 in Belleville, Illinois; St. Clair County. He was a son of James T. and Agnes Eaton Roach. They were wed at St. Marys Catholic Church.

Betty Hollenbeck, 17, married Raymond O. Wiggins in Eudora, Kansas; Douglas County on September 8, 1942. She was the daughter of Clarence and Teresa Roach Hollenbeck and granddaughter of William Partrick Roach.

On September 12, 1942, Maple Don Lalley, 22, and Ivan Mercer were married in Denver, Colorado. The ceremony was held in the Mercer home and the minister from their church performed the ceremony. Maple had been attending beauty school in Denver and while there she met Ivan when he came in to have his hair shampooed. Later, Maple gave up hair-dressing and went to work at Remington Ammunition as an inspector where she made 4 times the salary. Soon after they were married, Ivan went in to the service and Maple stayed on in Denver.

Nancy Roach was born on December 12, 1942 to Fred J. and Caro Sedgewick Roach in St. Paul, Minnesota; Ramsey County. She was their 2nd child and 2nd daughter.

Leo and Irene Cheek Brewer were in living in Perry, Iowa as the war escalated so when Leo went into the Navy in December, 1942, Irene and their 2 boys, Ron, 11 and Bill, 8 came to Kansas City to live with their grandparents, William C. and Delia Roach Cheek.

Also in December, 1942, Viator C. Roach, 27, and Carole Russo were married at All Saints Catholic Church in Los Angeles, California. He was stationed there in the Army. Viator was the son of Matt E. Roache.

Harold L. Roach and Nina Baucom were married in Charleston, S.C. on December 17, 1942—he was in the Navy—she had 2 sons from a previous marriage; Glenn and Dudley, whom Harold eventually adopted.

On January 26, 1943, Gerald Joseph Roach was born to John Jerome and Leoba Bertlesman Roach in Belleville, Illinois; St. Clair County. He was their first child and first son.

William (Bill) E. Stark, husband of Genevive Sailer Stark was killed in or due to a car accident he was involved in on January 26, 1942, in or near Hinsdale, Illinois. His body was returned to Montevideo, Minnesota for burial where the family had lived earlier. Genevive was left alone with her 3 children; Virginia, 13; Ed, 8; and Marion, 9 months.

On March 12, 1943, Jack Bergin, husband of Teresa Roach Bergin, died near Corvallis, Oregon; Benton County. He was riding in the car as Teresa drove going to a job and all of a sudden he became ill; had a heart attack or slumped over. When they got him to a hospital, he was gone. He was only 48 years old; had suffered some health problems since his return from the Middle East. He was taken back to Portland where the Bergin's home was and after funeral services was buried at Mt. Calvary Cemetery there.

Andy Davis was born on April 12, 1943 to Joseph Lige and Frances Gabel Davis in Bartlesville, Oklahoma; Washington County. He was their 4th child and 2nd son. Lige was a son of Kate Roach Davis Alexander.

On May 16, 1943, Joseph Leroy (Bud) Roach, 22, and Helen Flaherty were married in St. Paul, Minnesota; Ramsey County. "Bud" was the son of Joseph D. and Nellie Stavig Roach. Bud was about to or had already enlisted in the Seabees.

In late May of 1943, Mary Bergin and sister, Patricia Bergin both graduated from St. Mary's College in Leavenworth, Kansas. They worked summers waiting on tables—at school, Patricia had majored in nursing. Soon after their graduation and return home to Salem or Portland,

Oregon, they enlisted in the service. Mary joined the Air Corps and was sent to McCord Field in Washington; Patricia went into the Army Nurse Corps.

Tim Scanlon, husband of Elsie Ogan Sanders Scanlon ran a club or bar called the "Leaping Hound" in Kansas City, Missouri at 24th and Summit—he had done this sort of work for a number of years—family stories tell how during the early 1930's it was called a "pig-in-poke". He did well with this business.

Apparently by this time, William F. Humphrey was with Alice Woodford in the Yakima-Benton County area. His older brother, "Tuff" George J. Humphrey, in Hazelton, Idaho had separated from his wife, "Tiny" Lavina Imus Humphrey and was with Darlene L. Mondy and his 4 children in Hazelton or Montpelier, Idaho. He evidently worked on large construction sites and operated heavy equipment or drove trucks.

The Franke and Jettle Hatler Roach family had left the Exeter area of Tulare County in California and moved to San Miguel in San Luis Obispo County. They had been in San Miguel since about 1942—their son, Frank T. Roach and his family had moved out there to be near them from Colorado.

Betty Humphrey, 18, youngest child of George E. and May Burns Humphrey finished high school in Sterling, Colorado in late May, 1943. She had lived with her oldest sister and husband, Lewis and Nell Humphrey Young since her mother died in 1937. They'd had their ups and down but when Betty graduated, she soon left Sterling and was married possibly that summer in one of the counties around Sterling. Little is known of her in the years that followed—family stories tell that eventually she went to Idaho and there in the mid to late 1940's, married a man named M. C. Blair whom everyone knew as "Smokey"—they lived in Burley, Idaho for a time. Then in the mid to late 1950's, she left Blair and married a man named Randy Randall in Washington State—possibly in Yakima County where she had family living—Randy may have worked on large construction projects as "Tuff" George J. Humphrey did and by the time these families were living and working in Moses Lake, Washington; Grant County in the late 1950's and early 1960's, Betty and Randy Randall had two daughters; Marie Randall and Denise Randall. This marriage did not last and eventually they separated and Betty still goes by the name of Randall at this writing.

Bernard C. and Betty Misner Barton had their first child and first son, Brian Barton on June 2, 1943 in Clifton, New Jersey; Passaic County. Bernard and Betty had been married sometime in 1939 in New York City in the "Little Church Around The Corner". Bernard and his family were now living and working in the Clifton, New Jersey area in a defense related industry. He was the son of Samuel C. and Olive Ice Barton.

Of the fifty some Roach family members in the Armed Forces during WWII only one died and that occurred on July 11, 1943 when Pfc. Timothy J. Roach, 21, a paratrooper and son of Tim and Bessie Farnen Roach was shot out of the skies over Sicily enroute to a mission in the invasion of Anzio, by our own Navy. His body was never recovered; in a chapel in Anzio, all the names of men killed, including Tim J. Roach's are chiseled into the stone walls as a memorial. His brother, Patrick Roach was also in this maneuver with the Air-

borne at the time and was attached to a glider outfit.

Daniel Eugene Roach, son of Daniel P. and Jalma Heng Roach entered the Armed Services early in the war but was discharged before long due to heart trouble. He returned home and sometime soon married a girl named Dorothy Stratton in Portland, Oregon. This marriage did not last and there were no children. By this time, Dan's family was living in Granite Falls, Washington. They had left St. Maries, Idaho in 1941, coming to a place called Arlington, Washington where a sister of Jalma's lived. They bought a "stump farm" and got cows, chickens, etc., but didn't know how to work a place like that and lost their down payment. Daniel P. Roach then got a job in a sawmill and in 1942 went to work in the shipyards--eventually bought a small acreage out of Granite Falls and that was to be their home for the next 22 years.

On July 29, 1943, Paul Barton married for the 2nd time to Betty Mae Sears in Crawfordsville, Indiana; Montgomery County. His first wife had died the year before and left him and his young son alone. Now they were a family once again. Paul was a son of Sam and Olive Ice Barton.

Thomas (Meek) McKay was born on August 2, 1943 to Frank and Nita Alexander (Meek) McKay in Bartlesville, Oklahoma; Washington County. Nita was the daughter of Tom and Kate Roach Davis Alexander.

As the summer of 1943 progressed, Agnes (Tootsie) Ogan Wagner's cancer caused her health to fail rapidly. On August 2, 1943, she finally passed away at her home in Kansas City. Her family was there; many relatives, too. The Roaches who had been living and working in Eudora, Kansas had come back to Kansas City once again. Even Henry Taylor, her step-father who had not been around in years and had not treated her well years previously, now came to see her when she was so ill. This was a traumatic experience for the family--her mother, Lizzie Roach Ogan took it extremely hard. She was given a funeral Mass at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Kansas City, Missouri and was buried at Calvary Cemetery on Troost Avenue. Her death left her husband Elmer O. Wagner, and their 5 children alone--Vivian, 22; Norma, 18; Mary Jane, 16; Gene, 12; and Robert, 6.

On August 28, 1943, Bonnie Humphrey was born to William F. Humphrey and Alice Woodford in Prosser, Washington; Benton County. She was their first child and first daughter. William (Bill) Humphrey may have been in the service at the time.

Peggy June Miller, daughter of "Jike" and Nell Ogan Miller died of encephalitis and/or an allergic reaction to a medication or infection on August 28, 1943 in the Kansas City area. She was buried August 30 in Calvary Cemetery in Kansas City, Missouri--she was only 17 and had just begun a job with the telephone company. This tragic incident came almost on the heels of the death of her aunt--the family despaired.

The majority of the Roaches in Colorado were farming in the northeast part of the state--had been there in that general area since they had returned from their sojourn out in Washington in 1935 to work in the fruit. Eddie and Jesse Roach were living in the Akron-Timnath area with their families--they each had a son in the service--Jim and Sophia Ashby Burns were living in Derby, Colorado where Jim hauled hay and coal for "Bid" Anderson. Cecil and Agnes Roach Lalley Burry were now living in Lyons, Colorado where Cecil dealt in horse and cattle buying. He was a master at judging and handling animals.

On September 27, 1943 Joseph L. Roach, Jr., 22 and Nadine Early, 18, were married in Ozark, Arkansas; Franklin County. Joe was the son of Joseph L., Sr. and Lucille Mott Roach.

Margaret May Humphrey was born to George J. "Tuff" Humphrey and Darlene Mondy in Montpelier, Idaho; Bear Lake County. She was their first child and first daughter. They also had James Humphrey, 8; Marlene, 6; and twins Glenn L. and Glenda L., 4½, although at this time, Marlene may have been with her mother. At different times, she took James or Marlene but they never stayed with her and always returned to be with "Tuff" and Darlene.

On October 4, 1943, Michael Thomas Roach was born to Edward T. and Dorothy Brossard Roach in Rapid City, S.D.; Pennington County. Edward Roach was a son of John and Mary Kelly Roach.

Not long after Margaret May Humphrey was born, Darlene Mondy evidently left Idaho to return home to Kansas and her family. They had wanted her to come home for quite a long time. She had been with George J. "Tuff" Humphrey for about a year now-helped care for his children and now had his baby-she needed to get away. But "Tuff" followed her and came after her to her home in Trousdale. He evidently brought the 4 children and came to stay. Her family encouraged her to leave him and stay with them-living with "Tuff" Humphrey was not easy, but he wouldn't leave or take "no" for an answer. Darlene finally gave in and they moved in together-just where is not known-with the Mondys or a place of their own. In mid or late October, the Mondys were planning to go somewhere in the family car and it wouldn't start-out of gas, or something wrong in the carburetor. Mr. Mondy got a can of gas and poured some in the carburetor while Mrs. Mondy sat behind the wheel and cranked the starter. Several of the family were standing around observing this and waiting to go in the car, too, and all of a sudden the vapors from the gas can and the fumes from the carburetor ignited in a ball of flame, enveloping a large area. There was a lot of confusion and what followed is not exactly clear, but there was much screaming and running around and then they saw that Glenda, one of the twins was on fire. She had been close enough that her clothes caught fire. Darlene and some others yelled at her to lay down and roll but she was too little and too frightened. She ran screaming-finally someone grabbed her and got her down, smothering the flames. but not before she was quite burned. They first took her to their local doctor some miles away and then had to transport her again to the hospital in Great Bend-a bigger and better facility. By this time valuable and crucial moments had been lost and Glenda was in serious condition. In those times burn treatment was not very good and there was not much they could do for Glenda; she was that badly burned. She was not allowed visitors and she lay and cried for Darlene for several days; they would not let Darlene in to see her or stay, and finally, alone and so sick, Glenda Humphrey died. She was taken back to Trousdale for funeral services and laid to rest at a cemetery in Fellsburg, Kansas, at the foot of Darlene Mondy's grandmother's grave. This was such a tragic event!

It may be that in this time Ed and Myrtle Roach Noble divorced one another-they had been living out in San Francisco for about 10 - 15 years and Ed was now a roofing contractor. In earlier times he dabbled in real estate, some gambling and bootlegging. The family stories tell that Ed and Myrtle divorced and then remarried before long, but finally separated for good. They never had any children of their own but Myrtle, especially, loved her nieces and nephews and was very good to them.

The Roaches involved in the harness and shoe repair business in Eagle Bend, Minnesota during these war years were not having such an easy time of it. Leather was rationed-good quality tanned hides became impossible to get as the war effort took them all. Skins were tanned so rapidly and used before they were really ready-they were called "green". This leather did not wear well, at all. Dan Roach, Jr. still involved in the family's harness-making and repairing was doing quite well as the farmers were still using alot of horses in their work-but there was alot of mending and patching of harnesses going on. Old harness parts were saved and used again as were salvageable leather parts from old shoes. The shoe repair business was mostly patch and mend, too. Jess E. Roach lamented the lack of good, quality leather. Then, man-made materials began to appear and they were pretty good-they replaced leather and would, for years to come.

During 1944 Agnes Roache Bolton, 57, wife of Gail Bolton and daughter of James and Sarah McCormick Roache, began to suffer more from health problems-she had had a goiter when she was a teenager and now it had returned-she had heart trouble, too. Her niece, Rita Roache still lived with them and was a great help with the dairy and around the house at this time. Rita had lived with them since she was about 2 years old and was a real worker-Agnes depended on her for an awful lot.

Possibly in this time period, Andrew W. Ogan, divorced from his wife Viola Strandburg Ogan since about December, 1942 or January, 1943, met and married a woman in Kansas City named Eunice. Little is known of this event or person. Andrew and Viola's marriage of 24 years and 11 children ended and it was sad. She must have had a difficult time at first as a number of her children were still at home, but before too long she may have left the area and moved West to Washington State; in later years she married a man named Benny Saurage.

Perhaps in these years of the mid-1940's Lucille Mott Roach Titsworth and her son, Joseph L. Roach, Jr., both suffering from tuberculosis, were admitted to a sanatorium in the area where they lived-Talahoma, Oklahoma in Le Flore County. The family is vague on just when this occurred-some say they both went together for care and treatment in the 1930's-in any case, they did develop tubucular symptoms and it seems logical as Joseph L. Roache, Sr. had had the disease and was treated in the 1930's. Lucille seem to rally fairly soon, but apparently Joe, Jr. had to stay on longer and was more ill and debilitated. This family tells how he was never able to really hold a job and work. How his wife, Nadine Early Roach managed while he was hospitalized is not known, but it must have been difficult for her.

On February 3, 1944 Kenneth K. McDermott, 22, and Margaret C. Bartos were married in Benld, Illinois; Macoupin County at St. Joseph's Catholic Church by Rev. Ralph Guido. Their attendants were Elaine McDermott and William Becker. Kenneth was a son of Frank and Margaret Roach McDermott.

Doris Mae Roach, 22, now a sargeant in the WACS and Nick Ternosky were married on February 12, 1944 at Foster Field near Victoria, Texas. When she enlisted in the service in 1943, she was first sent to Daytona Beach, Florida-then transferred to Foster Field. They were wed at the Post Chapel by priest Capt. John Glennon; their attendants were Betty Neuman and Edward Buchmelter. After the war they had 4 children: Richard, born November 7, 1946; Kathleen, November 16, 1948; Janet, June 11, 1950; and Marie, November 7, 1952-all born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Milwaukee County. Doris was a daughter of Robert A. and Ingrid Ofstad Roach.

Robert W. Roach, 21, and Arlene Ibinger were married in Black River Falls, Wisconsin; Jackson County. Robert was in the Air Corps. He and Arlene were wed on March 18, 1944. He was a son of Robert A. and Ingrid Ofstad Roach.

Theris Cook Lee and Aubrey Emmett Lee were divorced during this year sometime. She was living and working in Whiting-Griffith, Indiana. Theris was a daughter of Roy W. and Mame Roach Cook.

James Lowe was born on April 2, 1944 to Everitt and Joy Sedgewick Lowe in Mobile, Alabama; Mobile County. He was their 2nd child and 1st son. The Lowes were living in Alabama where Everitt (Evie) had a job in the shipyard there during the war. Joyce, their oldest child was now almost 3. Joy Sedgewick Lowe was a daughter of Vernon E. and Anna Roach Sedgewick. Eventually, Joy and Everitt (Evie) had 2 more children-Barbara Lowe, born May 13, 1950, and Michael Lowe born on August 3, 1954, both in New Richmond, Wisconsin; St. Croix County. Everitt (Evie) had a good propane gas business there.

On May 5, 1944, William F. Humphrey and Alice Woodford were married in Prosser, Washington; Benton County. He was in the Army at the time-was the son of George E. and May Burns Humphrey.

Sometime during 1944, Jack R. Lalley and his wife, Marie Senter Lalley were divorced-possibly in Denver, Colorado. They had a 3 year old son, John (Johnny) Howard Lalley and when they separated, Johnny went to live with his grandparents, Cecil and Agnes Roach Lalley Bury in Lyons, Colorado. Agnes raised Johnny until he was grown and gone from home.

By this time Carl and Hazel Housand Roach had a daughter, Carleen Roach in Denver, Colorado; Denver County. Carl was a son of Tommy R. and Laura Taylor Roach.

Harold LaVerne Roach was born to Harold L. and Nina Baucom Roach on June 13, 1944 in Pensacola, Florida; Escambia County. He was their first child and first son-Nina had 2 sons by a former marriage-Glenn and Dudley and Harold adopted them. Harold L. Roach was a son of Tommy R. and Laura Taylor Roach. Later, Harold L. and Nina Baucom Roach had another son on April 7, 1950 in San Diego, California whom they named Richard Norman Roach.

On June 16, 1944, following failing health and heart trouble plus the heartbreak of the untimely death of 2 members of her family, Lizzie Roach Ogan died at her home in Kansas City, Missouri; Jackson County. One other last shock to her was the injury of her grandson, Robert Wagner, whom she was caring for since his mother died, in the street near their home. He was caught by the front end of a street-car and received cuts to his head and face, but recovered. That was too much for her to bear-many of her family were around her when she passed away. They tell how she was sitting in her chair; they gave her some Epsom Salts-then she wanted some wine and after sipping it a little, she drew a long breath, and was gone. She was laid out at her son Glenn's house and after a funeral Mass at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, she was buried at Calvary Cemetery on Troost Avenue in Kansas City, Missouri, on June 19.

Sometime in 1944 Stanley E. Roach and his wife, Lillian Dougherty Roach were divorced in Long Beach, California. With him gone in the Navy for such long periods and she alone with their two young