Harry Steeves Family

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Henry Seymour Steeves "Harry" s/o Jordan Steeves & Elizabeth Jonah
b. 1866 Elgin, New Brunswick, Canada
d. _____ (before 1940)
m. 6 Oct 1891 Elgin, New Brunswick
Sarah Ella Steeves "Ella"
d/o Thomas Ansley Steeves & Berthena Jane Gibson "Bertha"
b. 1873 Elgin, New Brunswick (2nd of 11 children)
d. (after 1940)

They moved from New Brunswick to Skowhegan in 1908 where they were living on the River Road in C/1910. They moved to Hartland by C/1920 living on Commercial Street before moving to North Hartland by C/1930 then to Pleasant Street where Ella was living in C/1940, widowed, at 67yrs old with her grandson Norman Steeves. Ella's parents moved to Skowhegan in 1906 and lived next to them in C/1910 where they both died in 1911 and were interred at Southside Cemetery in Skowhegan. Ella's brother Thomas Sanford Steeves eventually moved to Hartland via New Hampshire. (See below)

Ch. STEEVES:

1. Horace Earle Steeves "Earle"

WWI U. S. Army

b. 26 Oct 1902 Elgin, New Brunswick

d. 26 Feb 1961 Hartland (Pine Grove Cemetery)

m. 3 Dec 1922 Hartland

Ruth Mertrice Young

d/o James C. Young & Maude Bickmore

- b. 20 Nov 1897 Thomaston
- d. 29 May 1988 Hartland (PG) at 90yrs

Her family moved from Thomaston to Hartland around 1903 where she graduated from Hartland Academy Class of 1915. She served as Hartland Town Clerk for 25 years retiring in 1974. She held the Boston Post Gold Cane for Hartland at the time of her death. Her father was a partner in the Hamilton & Young Skirt Factory on Mill Street.

Ch. STEEVES:

I. Robert James Steeves "Bob"

WWII U. S. Army

b. 7 Sep 1924 Hartland

d. 6 Oct 1993 Hartland (PG)

He never married. He graduated from Hartland Academy Class of 1942.

- 2. William Beecher Steeves
- b. 29 Dec 1894 Elgin, New Brunswick
- d. 10 July 1951 (Wayside Cemetery, West Paris)

m. 30 July 1916 Norway

Nina Felton

d/o George F. Felton & Agnes E. Robbins of West Paris

b. 28 Dec 1890 West Paris

d. July 1967 (Wayside Cemetery, West Paris)

They lived in Hartland following their marriage first on Commercial Street in C/1920, Main Street in C/1930 then Hubbard Avenue in C/1940. Nina was a school teacher for 20+ years in Hartland teaching Primary, 1st & 2nd grades.

Ch. STEEVES:

I. Florice Marguerite Steeves

b. 18 Apr 1917 Norway

d. 27 Sep 2004 Dunnellon, Florida

m. 15 Oct 1938

Leland B. Cunningham

- II. Miriam Payson Steeves
- b. 4 Dec 1920 Hartland (noted as 2nd child by Dr. Charles Moulton)
- d. 10 June 2019 Hawaii (Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery, Kaneohe, HI) at 98yrs
- m. 11 Sep 1944 Dow Air Force Base, Bangor

Joseph Edward Battista

Korea/Vietnam U. S. Army

- b. 24 Feb 1919 New Haven, Connecticut
- d. 21 Jan 2000 Hawaii (Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery, Kaneohe, HI)
- 3. Beulah Bernice Steeves "Bernice"
- b. 1897 Elgin, New Brunswick
- d. 1924 Hartland (PG) at 27yrs

She never married.

- 4. Howard Steeves
- b. 3 July 1900 Elgin, New Brunswick
- d. before 1908 Elgin, New Brunswick
- 5. Lois A. Steeves
- b. 20 Aug 1902 Elgin, New Brunswick
- d. 10 Feb 1920 Hartland (PG) at 17yrs
- m. (They never married)

Leroy Wheeler

She was working at the Hamilton & Young shirt factory at the time of her death from complications of child birth 5 days earlier.

Ch. STEEVES-WHEELER:

I. Norman Steeves-Wheeler

WWII U. S. Army Air Force - MIA

- b. 5 Feb 1920 Hartland (noted as 1st child by Dr. Charles Moulton)
- d. 7 Jan 1943 Pacific Ocean (Tablet of the Missing, Fort McKinley Manilla, Philippines) He never married.

He was raised by his maternal grandparents Harry & Ella Steeves on Pleasant Street. He was attending Hartland Academy in 1941 when he enlisted in Portland as "Norman S. Wheeler". He was 22yrs old serving as a Sergeant with the 3rd Bomber Group as an Aerial Gunner when their plane went down on a routine flight from Queensland, Australia to Port Moresby, New Guinea. The entire crew was lost and their remains never recovered. In 1951, the Christopher G. Linn American Legion Post #141 of Hartland changed its name to the Steeves-McCormack Post #141 in honor of Norman & Donlin McCormack.

Thomas Sanford Steeves (Ella's Brother)

d/o Thomas Ansley Steeves & Berthena Jane Gibson "Bertha"

- b. 8 Dec 1874 Elgin, New Brunswick (3rd of 11 children)
- d. 1949 Hartland (PG) at 75yrs
- m. 26 Aug 1903 Brentwood, New Hampshire

Alice Emma Rowe

d/o John & Mary Rowell of New Hampshire

b. 9 Dec 1879 Brentwood, New Hampshire

d. Jan 1977 Hartland (PG) at 97yrs

He was living with his sister Ella & Harry in the 1901 Canada Census noted as Harry's brother-in-law at 25yrs old and single. He moved to New Hampshire where he was living with his wife Alice and their sons in C/1910. They were living in Hartland by September of 1918 when Thomas registered for the WWI Draft. He was working for the American Woolen Mill at the time. In 1975, Alice was presented with the Boston Gold Post Cane as Hartland's oldest citizen at the time at 95yrs old.

Ch. STEEVES:

- 1. Llewellyn Steeves "Lew"
- b. 6 June 1904 Brentwood, New Hampshire
- d. 15 Mar 1975 Florida (Starbird-Jordan Cemetery) at 70yrs
- m. 16 Nov 1929 Manhattan, New York

Irene Doris Ludwig

d/o Leopold Ludwig & Anna Diehl

- b. 8 July 1902 New Jersey
- d. 31 July 1998 Lee, Florida (SJC) at 96yrs

They were living in Queens, New York where he was a building rigger foreman in C/1930. He was also noted a 2nd time in the 1930 Census in Hartland at his parents' home noted as "son ab." They were living in Valley Stream, New York in C/1940 and moved to Hartland soon after. Her father was born in Germany immigrating in 1894 and her mother was born in New Jersey.

Ch. STEEVES:

I. Thomas Steeves

b. 17 Apr 1931

m

Shirley Bickford

d/o Kenneth Lincoln Bickford & Mary Muriel (Carvel) (SJC)

b. 13 July 1936 Pittsfield

- 2. Donald E. Steeves
- b. 22 Sep 1906 Brentwood, New Hampshire
- d. 26 Mar 1976 North Berwick

m. 31 Aug 1929

Irene E. Hall

d/o Ara & Kate Hall

- b. 27 Jan 1911 Athens
- d. Feb 1977 North Berwick

Ch. STEEVES:

- I. Mary Elizabeth Steeves
- b. 26 Feb 1930 Hartland
- d. 3 June 2000
- II. Clark Blaine Steeves
- b. 7 July 1935 Hartland
- d. 7 Sep 2000