

Felix Grundy Iman: parents: Christian Iman and Mary Whiteside; paternal grandparents: Christian Iman (III) Eyman and Catherine (Caty). Mary Whiteside's parents are Davis Whiteside and Rachel.

## **CHRISTIAN IMAN** **(Father of Felix Grundy Iman)**

**Christian Iman** and **Mary Whiteside** were the parents of Felix Grundy Iman. Christian was born in 1799 in Hardy Co., IL. He died of cholera in 1849 in Monroe Co., IL. Christian's parents were Christian Iman (III) Eyman and Catherine (Katy). Christian came from Virginia at an early age. James Windsor says that papers upon the death of Chrisley and his wife, Mary in 1850 (with a daughter) suggested that he was 50 years old in the year of his death (1800), and had "hailed from Virginia".

Mormons date Christian Eyman from 1806 in Monroe, likely Whiteside data. Some think this might be a son of Abraham, though genealogist James Windsor says that those who have seen full list of children say that no Christian/Christopher was among them.

Whitlock genealogy has this Christian dated 1790.

Patti Cooper's genealogy identifies this Christian as born 1799 of Abraham Eyman and Susannah Whetstone. This seems unlikely, however, in that Christian is not included in other lists of the children of this couple. A 1799 birthdate would have required birth in Monroe County, though Christian was described at his death as having "hailed from VA".

In Monroe County, IL. Will Book C there is record of Iman, Christian: Letter of Administration dated 3 Sept 1849, pp 131, 132, and 224 with Administrator: Felix Iman. Bond held by Felix Iman, Jourdan Johnson and Gromelda Whiteside.

Receipt to Felix Grundy Iman in 1749 for wood coffin for Christian Iman.

Purchasers at estate sale for Christian Eyman included Samuel Eyman, other Eymans, Wm. Bradshaw, Shook, James Whiteside, G. Green, A. Brant, Jacob Gall, H Neff, F. Wessel, J. Clover

Jesse Eyman/Fuller of Skamania, and at age 73 thought the pedigree was Christian Eyman Sr., married to a Sarah Katherine Landis, the father of the Christian of Illinois who married Mary Whiteside. Jesse was a descendant of Louis Eyman, brother of Felix Grundy.

Jesse Fuller of Carson suggested that the family had lived at Harrisonville, Burksville, Springfield, and in St. Louis, MO. They also lived at Fults Canyon near Kidd Lake.

**Mary Whiteside** was born about 1810 in Columbia Precinct, Monroe Co., IL, and died in 1849, in Monroe Co., IL. She was a daughter of Davis and Rachel Whiteside. Windsor thought she was born 1818.

Mary Whiteside was from a famous family in Monroe Co., Illinois, who had also come to Illinois at a very early date, I think in the 1780s. There are a lot of famous stories about her family fighting in the early Indian raids. Whiteside Co., Illinois, was

named after the family. There is online a Whiteside family site with the Whiteside family back to the immigrants who came over from Ireland in the early 1700s.

**Christian Iman and Mary Whiteside Iman** had nine children:

1. Felix Grundy Iman;
2. Rachel Iman'
3. Seth Whiteside Iman
4. Saphronia Iman
5. Elias Iman
6. Lewis Iman
7. Lavina Iman
8. Emily Iman

## FELIX GRUNDY IMAN

Felix Grundy Iman and Margaret Windsor were married in the fall of 1851 and in the spring of 1852 they crossed the plains and ended up in Stevenson here they lived the rest of their lives.

Felix and Margaret had eighteen children and raised two orphan children:

1. *Theodore Columbus Iman,*
2. *Flora Adella Iman,*
3. *Mary Elizabeth "Merry" Iman,*
4. *Elnora Supronia Iman,*
5. *Martha Luchada Iman,*
6. *Rosalia Almedia "Rosa," "Rosie" Iman,*
7. *John William Iman,*
8. *Albert Odum Iman,*
9. *George Washington Iman,*
10. *Louis Franklin Iman,*
11. *James Riley Iman,*
12. *Alfred Edmund Iman,*
13. *Emily Cordelia Iman,*
14. *Annie Laurie Iman,*
15. *Charles Nathaniel Charly" Iman,*
16. *Josiah Malcom Iman.*
17. *Cassius Marcellus Sully, "Celly" Williams,*
18. *Christopher Fields.*

Felix was a carpenter and mechanic, born Nov. 24, 1828 in Harrisonville, Monroe County, Illinois. He died July 17, 1902 in Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon.

Felix arrived at the Columbia River Gorge in 1852 as part of a 37-wagon ox team. He met Margaret Windsor the same year. Though it seems that Felix had originally intended to live in the Portland area where he'd found work with a shipping company, he and Margaret settled and were early founders of Stevenson, Washington on the Columbia River in Skamania county. This is a spectacularly beautiful area at the foot of mountain ranges where the Columbia used to be particularly difficult for settlers to portage. This was also an area where native Americans from thousands of miles congregated for annual salmon harvests.

Felix built several saw mills in his day, carved beans for and machined steam boats, built the first log cabin school, built the first saloon. He was among the first to grow and harvest potatoes in this area, and is known to have loved the huge fir trees on his lands (though he sold many acres for timbering). His first son, Theodore (1854) is thought to have been the first child born of a pioneer in that part of the Oregon Territory; Flora, his first daughter is thought to be the first female child in Washington. The 50's were very rough times in this rugged region. The couple survived a local Indian incident which became known as the "Fort Rains Massacre." It was 1894 before the town got laid out and had its first 4th of July picnic with perhaps 15-20 residents. Felix and Margaret had 16 children.

An Iman cemetery on the hill overlooking town includes about 60 souls -- pretty

much the first couple of generations. The youngest brother go Felix, a Lewis/Louis Iman also migrated to the area and lived nearby. He wanted to be known as Louis Eyman. A separate cemetery for this branch of the family is maintained by Skamania County at Carson, Washington, adjoining the Pinchot National Forest. Felix died of natural causes in 1903 at about age 74, while Margaret was around into her 90s as late as 1924.

It was said by his descendants that Felix came to Oregon because the job market was so good. There were few jobs in Monroe Co., Illinois, when Felix left the area, and in Oregon he expected to make in one day what he would have made in one month in Illinois. Felix may indeed have traveled around Illinois in a search for work. His father is thought to have been a laborer rather than primarily a farmer. It's also true that Felix was a bit alone -- his parents and youngest siblings had died of cholera in 1749, with his brothers and sisters being located in the homes of relatives and neighbors. It was time for a young man, perhaps 22 years old at the time, to be finding his way in life.

Felix found his way out the Oregon trail in a covered wagon. A newspaper account of the day suggested that Felix had joined a wagon train on the way to California in the search for gold, though this intention seems not to be registered in family lore. He settled first in Portland, and soon got a job with the Oregon Steamship Navigation (OSN) company, building boats for them. The OSN had big plans to develop the Columbia River Pacific coast trade with boats carrying goods and supplies. After a month the OSN sent Felix up to Skamania Co. to build a steam boat that would sail on the Columbia River bringing Oregon Trail emigrants the last stretch of miles to Portland.

It was soon after arriving in the West that Felix met Margaret Windsor. Margaret had been working in the Stevenson area about a month after arriving in Oregon. Margaret had arrived to the area with a Wilson family and had come down with mountain fever (tick fever. lyme disease). She is said to have been unconscious from disease; since it was almost winter the Wilsons were forced to leave Margaret at the hotel (way station) that had been set up at that point for weary travellers. It took Margaret three weeks to recover from her illness and when she was well, Isaac Bush who ran the hotel, offered Margaret a job until she figured out what she wanted to do. So Margaret was a waitress at the hotel. Felix came to the hotel to board while he worked on the boats. He courted Margaret and they were soon married.

After they married they decided to take a donation land claim in Skamania Co. It's likely that they valued the wood — there was a great deal of local timber needed to build and operate steam boats. The area they chose was at a vast set of rapids of the Columbia where pioneers were required to disembark boats on the upper river in order to get transported to navigable waters below the rapids. The geography made this an attractive area for many pursuits. Imans took 343 acres in their donation land claim.

Felix was involved in many enterprises. He built two sawmills at different points in town. His operations were never the largest, and may not have been the most technologically up-to-date. Felix partnered with Atwood in owning and operating a passenger boat Wasco in 1854. Many native Americans resided in the Stevenson area at least part of the year. Natives for miles used the area of the rapids for burials, and camped by the thousands during salmon runs. Theodore, the first son of Felix spent a

great deal of time in Indian camps and was essentially raised with Indians. Felix seems to have worked hard at developing constructive relationships with natives. He spoke their language and seems to have been unusually respected by them. Tensions in the community were substantial, however, with outbreaks in 1856 and again in 1867. Felix contended that the “troublemakers” were not the local Indians, but the Yakima, from a distance, who had been badly treated outside the area with their leader slain for little purpose. During periods of tension, Imans and others of the community lived in a blockhouse. Following the Fort Rains massacre in 1856, Iman sold the Wasco and tried his hand at operating a saloon in town, though when other competitors entered the trade, he seems to have sold out.

Felix built the first log cabin school in the area in the early 1870s. This was a community project he undertook with a Sheppardson family. The town of Stevenson wasn't formally laid out and mapped until 1894. By that time it seems that at their first 4th of July celebration, 15-20 people resided in the town.

Felix and Margaret had many children, most of whom remained in the area. The Iman cemetery was started in 1901 by Louis Iman a younger son. Louis operated the Headquarters Saloon 1901-1916, and seems to have been involved in legal disputes with his own father.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 24 July 1902, obituary, Felix Iman Dead, by Thomas Harlan, Pioneer. “On July 17th, at 2:30 p.m. Felix Iman, who had taken a donation claim on Rock creek in 1852, died. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon at the residence, the remains being interred in the family burying ground. The obsequies were conducted by Rev. F. H. Walker, of the Locks. Although Felix Iman belonged to a generation that has passed, he will be truly mourned as a friend lost. Mr. Iman raised a large family of boys and girls, who themselves have married children. He also leaves a widow near his own age. His old-time hospitality was of that kind that followed the frontier from Cumberland Gap to the waters of the Pacific, and has blessed thousands of wary and footsore emigrants on the road to their new homes in the valleys of the Mississippi and across the plains. No stranger passed Felix Iman's cabin hungry. They received the best he had, sweetened with a welcome, which to a real man is the greater consideration. He was filled with charity and good deeds to his neighbors and all men were his neighbors when he could do them a kindness. He belonged to that set of men that include Amos Underwood, Dr. Leavens, James Walker and the Hamiltons. No grander men lived than the pioneers. No greater epitaph could be chiseled upon stone than that “He was a pioneer.” Felix Iman lived to see nearly all his contemporaries cross the mystic river whence he has gone to meet them, if it be true that when “the silver cord is loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel at the cistern,” that the spirit goes to God who gave it, as the Bible so eloquently says. A month ago Mr. Iman's children and grandchildren brought him to the boat landing to see him go to Portland to the hospital. It was pathetic to see the young people part with their patriarchal father, whom we all knew was rapidly nearing the end. His every appearance, his subdued expression, the softness and mellowness of his voice was a prelude to the shadows of the failing night, and reminded one of that passage in Scripture which reads something like this: “And

I looked and beheld a pale horse, and his name that sat upon him was Death.” However this scene at the boat landing was not distressing. It spoke only of a quiet sunset at the close of a peaceful life. It was the glimmering twilight of a passed day, and only in the sense of having flown .”

In addition to raising their own children, Felix and Margaret raised several other children, including their granddaughter Myrtle Vallet. Two orphans were particularly close to the family.

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Christopher Columbus Fields, b. 4 December 1856, in Linn Co. Oregon Territory;[84] d. 25 June 1928, at Stevenson, aged 71. He is buried in the Iman Cemetery. He lived at Stevenson.

Christopher was probably the child of Levi and Nancy Fields who lived in Skamania Co. at the time of the 1860 census with four children including a C. C. Fields, aged 4, born in Oregon. Levi Fields and a John Fields, probably brothers, came from Ray Co. Missouri to the Oregon Territory in the fall of 1847. Levi claimed a donation land grant in Linn Co. Oregon in 1852, and on 4 March 1854, in Linn Co., he married Nancy --. John Fields also claimed a donation land grant in Linn Co. in 1853 or 1854.

It is not known why Christopher Fields, when he was about five years old, came to live with Felix and Margaret Iman, perhaps his parents had died. He was close to the Iman family all his life, and is buried in the Iman Cemetery. Christopher married Elizabeth Ahles.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 29 June 1928, obituary, Aged Pioneer Laid to Rest in Pioneer Cemetery, “Christopher Columbus Fields died last Monday and was buried Tuesday afternoon at the Iman Cemetery on Rock Creek west of Stevenson, Rev. J. W. Waltz officiating. Field was born December 4, 1856 in Linn Co. Oregon and came to Stevenson when a small lad and lived at the F. G. Iman home where he grew up to manhood. He is survived by a wife and one son, Eddie Fields, and a sister living at Kalama , Washington.”

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Cassius Marcellus WILLIAMS, “Sully,” “Celly,” b. 7 September 1852, at Shepard’s Point, then in Clark Co. Oregon Territory; the son of John and Mary (Hervey) Williams; d. 1 September 1910, at Stevenson, Skamania Co. Washington, aged 57. He was buried in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery at Stevenson.

In the spring of 1852 the parents of Sully Williams, John and Mary Williams, with their five year old son Eddy, left Illinois for the Oregon Territory. They traveled on the Oregon Trail. On the trail, in Wyoming, John Williams became sick and within the day, died. After burying her husband, Mary continued on the trail and arrived at Sheperd’s Point, then in Clark Co., Oregon Territory, on 22 August 1852. About two weeks after her arrival she gave birth to Sully.

A week after the arrival of Mary Williams at Shepard’s Point, Roger Gerald Attwell also arrived at Shepard’s Point on 29 August 1852. Mr. Attwell took an interest in Mrs. Williams, and said, “it is not right for a woman to struggle alone here and with

a child.” Six months later, in 1853, he married Mrs. Williams. Shortly afterward Roger and Mary Attwell took a donation land claim near the present day town of Cascade Locks, Wasco Co. Oregon, across the Columbia River from Stevenson.

Until 1865 Sully lived with his mother and stepfather, Roger Attwell. In that year his stepfather, Roger Attwell, went on a trip to Texas. And from Texas, Mr. Attwell wrote letters to his family, until one day the letters suddenly stopped and he was never heard from again. The family suspected that he had probably died in Texas. At the time Sully was about 13 years old. It was after the disappearance of his stepfather that Sully began to stay with the Iman family.

Living with the Imans, Sully loved to play with all the Iman children, and Margaret was always really sweet to him, and as all the Atwells had liked Felix very much, and since Sully’s mother was very stressed with her small children, the farm and the hotel which she had opened for business following her husband’s disappearance, it was all right with her if Sully stayed at the Imans, though it was painful to her, she had tried as much as any mother could, when Sully called Margaret “mother.”

In 1922 Margaret Iman was interviewed by Fred Lockley, a historian, and recalled her first meeting with Sully in late August 1852 when Margaret first arrived at the Bush Hospital at Shepard’s Point (now Stevenson, Washington) sick with “mountain fever.” She was recovering from the fever at the Bush hospital, and “. . . while I lay sick in bed I heard the cries of an infant babe in some part of the building. I asked for it to be brought to me and my bidding was granted. I took it in my arms and tried to play with it, but was so weak and worn I could not. This was the first babe I had in my arms after landing at the Cascades in 1852. This little babe was C. M. Williams who was born at the Cascades, and who was a half-brother to J. F. and J. W. Attwell of Stevenson, Wash., and who was stopping at my house in later years when he died in Stevenson at the age of some sixty odd years. He always loved me as his mother. He rests in the little cemetery above Stevenson on the bank of the lordly Columbia.”

After being raised to maturity by Felix and Margaret Iman, Sully moved to California, but as stated above by Margaret Iman he died during a visit to Stevenson, and was buried in the Iman Cemetery.

Conrad “Tonny” Lundy, of Stevenson, remembers, “In the early 1940’s there was a daughter of Sully Williams who put an advertisement in the LADIES HOME COMPANION hoping to find the Iman family who had taken care of her father as a child. It was my grandmother, Mrs. Louis Franklin Iman, who answered the advertisement and invited the daughter, who lived in Ohio, to visit Stevenson. Sully William’s daughter did come to Stevenson, and she personally thanked the Imans for taking care of her father as a child.”

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 1 September 1910, “Sully Williams expired on the street in front of States and Natsel’s market Thursday afternoon. His death was due to heart failure by heavy drinking.”

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 27 August 1976, Bicentennial Edition, First White Child in Skamania Choked to Death on Meat, by Jim Attwell. “Cassius Marcellus

Williams came into the new world at Bradford's Landing, Upper Cascades, Washington Territory. Celly grew up to be a character and was practically disowned as a half-brother by Monty and John Attwell who were born a few years later. Celly grew up with the Indians, hunted for them, bringing in 33 deer one bad winter to help feed the local Indians. He killed quite a number of cougars, eating them also. He was a noted ox team driver. It has been told that he would straighten out a lazy oxen by jumping on the back of a balky ox and walk down his back with his "cork" boots, after this the ox knew who was boss. Celly drank a lot and when crossed would fight anyone. In 1910 he walked in State's Butcher Shop in Stevenson for something to eat and asked for a hamburger. The shop was out of ground meat, so he purchased a steak and started eating it raw. He choked on it as he walked out the door and died there. He is buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery in an unmarked grave."

Chances are the Felix was named after Felix Clark.

## MARGARET WINDSOR

Margaret was the daughter of Jeremiah Dalziel Windsor and Martha Compton. She was born in 1934 in Tippecanoe County, IN., and died in Stevenson, Skamania County, WA.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 1 August 1924, obituary, Pioneer Resident Called, "Margaret W. Iman died in Stevenson, Monday, July 28, aged 90 years, 4 months and six days. She was born in Tippecanoe county, Indiana, in 1834. In the fall of 1851 she married Felix G. Iman and in the spring of 1852 they crossed the plains from the state of Missouri with ox team, stopping in Skamania county, where she had made her home continuously since. The sons living are T. C. Iman of Napavine, Wash., John W. Iman, Albert O. Iman, Geo. W. Iman, Louis Iman and Chas. Iman of Stevenson; the daughters are Mrs. Rose A. Jones of Satsop, Wash., Mrs. Flora A. Foster and Mrs. M. L. McKinnon of Stevenson. Thirty-five grand children and 50 great grandchildren survive the deceased. Interment was held Wednesday. At her request the funeral services were held at the family cemetery under a huge spreading tree. Rev. Lawrence officiating

Margaret Windsor's parents were Jeremiah Dalziel Windsor and Martha Compton Windsor. Jeremiah was born abt. 1800 and died abt. 1854. Martha was born in 1805 and died in 1838.

In 1842 the Windsors went to Buchanan Co., Missouri. Mrs. Short was a very cruel mean step-mother to the Windsor children, and she sent all the Windsor children to live with other neighboring families, but for some reason kept Margaret in the house to help with the work. After many unhappy years, in 1852, Margaret decided to run away from home. She was then about 17. Margaret was friends with some neighbors who lived near the Windsor house. The Windsors were now living in DeKalb Co. Missouri.

These neighbors were the Wilson family. The Wilsons were planning to move to Oregon to get in on the Oregon Donation Land Act, where you got 343 acres given to



you if you lived on the land for 4 years. Anyway Margaret wanted to go to Oregon with the Wilsons and so one day she just left her house and went to the wagon camp where the Wilson family were getting ready to go with the other wagon trains to Oregon and she never went back. Margaret's father came after her, and made her come back home with him but on the way home there was some trouble with crossing a river and while her father had gone to look for a way for the buggy to cross the river, Margaret ran back to the Oregon wagon camp. Her father coming back seeing she was gone, gave up on her and went back home alone. After she left none of the Windsor family ever heard from Margaret again. No one knew what had ever happened to her. It was a big mystery.

Sometime in the 1920's a Windsor cousin in Kansas put an advertisement in the Ladies Home Companion asking if anyone could answer the question about a long lost relative who had gone to Oregon in 1852 and was never heard from again. Louis Iman a brother of your Ted Iman, was in a barber shop reading the magazines while getting shaved, and he recognized that the advertisement was asking about Margaret. He showed the ad to his wife who wrote the cousin in Kansas. So the mystery was solved. After some time the cousin came out to Washington and visited the Iman family.

After the cousin in Kansas died in the 1940's, the Iman again became somewhat lost. There was a story that Margaret had gone to Washington and some of her family was still there, but by now all the older people were dead and no one knew any of the younger relatives, so it was neither here nor there. But in 1958 Ruth Shawcross a great granddaughter of Margaret Windsor Iman, was living in Vancouver, Washington (she still does at present time) and she wanted to find out about the Windsor family history. She had heard from a relative that the cousin in Kansas had at one time mentioned a Windsor Meinecke (a Windsor relative) who was living in Taylorville, Illinois in the 1920's. Ruth wrote a letter to the post master at Taylorville asking him to forward a letter to Windsor Meinecke if any such person still existed. Sure enough he was still living in 1958 and so once again the gap was breached.

# The Cascade Massacre

By Johan Mathiesen

(From: “Mad as the Mist and Snow,  
Exploring Oregon Through Its Cemeteries”

Margaret Iman’s (1834-1924) story is writ in stone is a small, eponymous cemetery on the backside of Stevenson, a river town on the Washington side of the Columbia as she rips a gorge through the Cascades:

Born at Tippecanoe Co., Ind.  
1852 Missouri to The Dalles on horse back  
Carried motherless babe 500 miles  
Took raft downriver to Cascades  
1853 met and married Felix G. Iman  
Survived Indian War of Mar. 26, 1856  
Indians burned home  
Had 16 children, 9 boys, 7 girls

Her husband, Felix Iman’s (1828-1902), slab is next to hers. Together they sketch a compelling pioneer story.<sup>1</sup>

Born DeKalb Co., Mo.  
Arrived at Cascades by ox team in 1852  
Married Margaret Windsor 1853  
1854 built & owned steamer “Wasco”  
1855 donation land claim of 323 acres  
1858 worked on upper Cascades block house  
Built & owned 2 sawmills  
Built 1st school. For short time saloon owner.

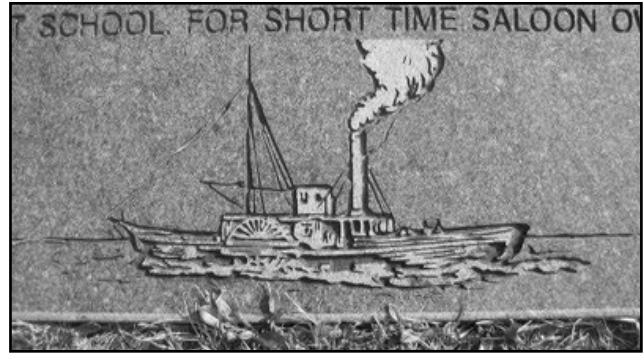
Aside from a minor error, it hints at the enormous effort the Imans put into wresting a home from the forest. Frank, it happens, “was born 24 November 1828 in Monroe, Illinois,” according to “Iman Family Notes: ‘Margaret’ (A Windsor Perspective).”<sup>2</sup> It wasn’t Frank who came from DeKalb Co., but rather Margaret, who left for Oregon from there.

It wasn’t an easy departure. Margaret, it turns out, was a runaway. She was born a Windsor, whose mother died when she was about ten years old and was subsequently raised by an archetypically cruel stepmother. By the time she was seventeen, her family was living in DeKalb Co., and by the time she was seventeen she’d decided she’d had it and ran away from home,



Margaret Windsor Iman headstone at Iman Cemetery, Stevenson, WA.

joining a wagon train headed for Oregon. Her father went after her, dragged her back, and lost her again when he went looking for a river crossing. The second time he let her go. She was subsequently lost to the Windsor family until a descendant in Kansas put an add in the Ladies Home Companion in the 1920s asking if anyone knew what happened to her? One of Margaret's children, Louis, chanced upon the magazine in a Vancouver, WA barber shop and his wife contacted the folks in Kansas.



Sketch of early day steamboat "Wasco," is on the headstone of Felix Iman at the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson, WA.

The Indian War mentioned on her tombstone actually lasted longer than March 26, although not much. It's frequently called the Cascade or Fort Rains Massacre and was part of a general Indian war of resistance to the white invaders known as the Cayuse War, of which, probably, the most famous incident was the euphonious Battle Of Seattle. The Imans played a not insignificant role in the events, and their interpretation of what happened differs considerably from the official record. According to James Windsor,<sup>3</sup> who refers to the incident as the Yakima attack, the wrong Indians were punished. Sheridan claims<sup>4</sup> that the Yakimas forced or coerced the local Cascade Indians into joining the attack, but the Imans claim otherwise. Sheridan left us a list of the settlers and soldiers killed in the uprising:

"I append a list of killed and wounded: Killed — George Griswold, shot in leg; B. W. Brown and wife, killed at the sawmill, bodies found stripped naked in Mill creek; Jimmy Watkius, driving team at mill; Henry Hagar, shot in Watkins' house, body burned; Jake Kyle, German boy; Jacob White, sawyer at mill; Bonrbon, half-breed, died on the Maty going to The Dalles; James Sinclair, of the H. B. Company, Walla Wall; Dick Turpin, colored cook on steamer Alary; Norman Palmer, driving team at mill; Calderwood, working at mill; three United States soldiers, names unknown; George Watkins, lived four days; Jacob Roush, carpenter, lived six days. Wounded — Fletcher Murphy, arm; P. Snooks, boy, leg; J. Lindsay, shoulder; Jesse Kempton, shoulder; Tommy Price, thigh; two soldiers, U. S. Army; H. Kyle, German; Moffat, railroad hand; Johnny Chance, leg; \I. Bailey, leg and arm; J. Algin, slightly'."<sup>5</sup>

Sheridan doesn't supply us with a list of Indians hanged, but a loose sheet of paper in the Oregon Historical Society's files offers these names: "Chief Chenoweth, Capt. Jo, Tecomcoc or Tecomeoc, Tsy, Sim-sasselas or Sim-Lasselas, Tumalth or Tunwalth (other spellings), Old Skien, Kenwake (sentenced but reprieved on scaffold), and 4 Finger Johnny."<sup>6</sup> In Margaret Iman's oral memoirs she describes the hanging of the Indians: She recalled they were "hanged on a tree about one mile from where we lived. Some of them, when asked to talk, shook their heads and put the noose around their own necks. Others laughed at those who were hanging."<sup>7</sup>

Felix Iman's schooner, Wasco, also participated in the repulse. Assigned the task of hauling troops from Portland to The Dalles, the Wasco came under fire from Indians collected where White Salmon is now, across the river from Hood River; but the river

is sizable and their balls had no effect. The third steamer to ply the waters between Cascade Locks and The Dalles, she subsequently returned to her trade, albeit for a short period of time. By 1857 she was out of business on the river. A newspaper advertisement from, probably, the 1860s offered passage between Bellingham, WA and Seattle on the “fast and commodious” steamer Wasco for \$1; although I can’t be sure it’s the same steamer Wasco.

We can’t reasonably expect Sheridan, who was responsible for the protection of the whites along the river, to admit to hanging the wrong people. Nonetheless, this long quote from James Windsor describes the Iman experience:

Windsor points to this quote to help clarify the situation [of the Indian attack of March 26, 1856]: “I read the settlers in Skamania Co. at the Cascades had been expecting an indian attack for some time. Some of the friendly local Indians had been warning the settlers that unfriendly tribes were planning an imminent attack, and for this reason Felix decided to build a new house closer to the river in case the family had to escape by boat. The original Iman house had been farther back from the river by about a mile. Of course no one knew when the attack would come and all were suprised by it. The local Indians who were hung had been on friendly terms to the white locals. Indian Jim was one of the ones hung, and he was a good friend of Felix. They were of the Cascade tribe. The motive behind the hangings was anger and racism. Quite a few of the white settlers had lost relatives besides homes in the attack and there was some kind of revenge wanted, and as the Yakimas had all returned back to their land, the Cascades were the only Indians to take revenge on, even though they were innocent. Of course most white people at that time did not like Indians and did not trust them, so of course most of the locals were none too squeamish to get rid of them. Margaret claimed she witnessed the hanging, or at least at some point she claimed to have seen them hanging. Felix was away at the time and when he returned a day or two later he was sorry to hear about the hangings and told the locals that those Indians were all innocent and it was wrong to hang them. At least that is how history has left the story for us. There were also some sordid details a few days after the Yakima attack. There was a friendly Indian and his wife and children and they were travelling by boat on the Columbia River near Shepherd’s Point. It is said that Samuel Hamilton with some other local men, but not Felix, captured these Indians and their children and raped the woman and then killed them all, children included, in a very cruel way, by strangling them and chopping off their heads. Lt. Philip Sheridan (he later to be famous in the Civil War) was there serving as the commander of the force that had chased off the Yakimas, and Sheridan claimed it was Hamilton and some others whom he named go after the two Indians who were then found murdered shortly thereafter. But of course this was hushed up and Sheridan declined to press charges and consequently never spoken of again, so no one prosecuted Hamilton and the others, but it is a sordid story and a sad comment on the history of the area.”<sup>8</sup>

The sorry story in my research of similar graveyard histories is that it is always the same: the perpetrators rarely see punishment which instead is meted out to the handiest person. Blame is always collective.

1. I’ve covered most of this story in previous blogs, so it may seem familiar. To an extent, I’ve plagiarized myself. The new material primarily concerns the “massacre.”

2. James Windsor, Draft, Iman Family Notes (with footnotes and editing by Steve Iman)[<http://www.imanfamily.net/skamaniam/windsor.html>].
3. Ibid.
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5. Philip Sheridan as recorded in History of the Pacific Northwest: Oregon and Washington.
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7. Another lost reference. I searched and searched but have yet to refind this memoir online, but I know it's there. Trust me.
8. James Windsor; Op Cit.

## “Margaret” (A Windsor Perspective)

Contributed by James Windsor (with footnotes and editing by Steve Iman)

Note: To the Windsor genealogists, Margaret was lost. She'd run away from home and was not heard of for years. The family has been persistent through the generations and creative at locating her. Their efforts and good will have gained them great authority in matters of knowing about our family.

MARGARET WINDSOR (Jeremiah), daughter of Jeremiah Daniel and Martha (Compton) Windsor. She was born In Tippecanoe Co. Indiana the 22 February 1834, and died the July 28th 1924 at Stevenson, Skamania Co. Washington, died at 90; buried in the Iman Cemetery at Stevenson. A Housewife. Resided Stevenson, Washington for 72 years.

She married 14 January 1853, at Cascades, in Washington Territory, to FELIX GRUNDY IMAN, the son of Christopher Iman and Mary Whiteside of Monroe Co. Illinois, his first wife. He was born 24 November 1828 in Monroe Illinois, died the 17 July 1902 in Portland, Oregon, died at 73; buried in the Iman Cemetery at Stevenson. A carpenter, boatman, saloon keeper, logger, and worked in the sawmills. Lived in Illinois and in Stevenson, Washington.

Martha the mother of Margaret died about 1838, while Margaret was a small child. After that Margaret was passed from one family to another. (¹) Margaret never knew when she was born, and the families either did not know or did not tell her. She never had a birthday. At times Margaret lived with her father and his wife Louisa. At the time of the 1840 and 1850 census she was living with her father and stepmother. Like her brother, William, she did not like her stepmother, who made her work all the time very hard and never provided. Even years later Margaret wrote in her diary that her stepmother was cruel.

When she was about eight years old her parents moved to the village of St. Joseph, Missouri. Margaret lived with her parents there and in De Kalb Co. Missouri until she left for Oregon in early 1852.

A genealogist of the Windsor family (James Windsor) provides the following account in a 1999 e-mail: “The wife of Felix Grundy Iman was Margaret Windsor, she was the daughter of Jeremiah Daniel Windsor (c1800-1854) and his first wife Martha Compton (1805-c1838). The first wife of Jeremiah died and he married 2) Mrs. Louisa

Short (c1818-c1884). They married in 1840 in Tippecanoe Co. In 1842 the Windsors went to Buchanan Co. Missouri. Mrs. Short was a very cruel mean stepmother to the Windsor children, and she sent all the Windsor children to live with other neighboring families, but for some reason kept Margaret in the house to help with the work. After many unhappy years, in 1852, Margaret decided to run away from home. She was then about 17. Margaret was friends with some neighbors who lived near the Windsor house. The Windsors were now living in DeKalb Co. Missouri. These neighbors were the Wilson family. The Wilsons were planning to move to Oregon. One day she just left her house and went to the wagon camp where the Wilson family were getting ready to go with the other wagon trains and she never went back. Margaret's father came after her, and made her come back home with him but on the way home there was some trouble with crossing a river and while her father had gone to look for a way for the buggy to cross the river, Margaret ran back to the Oregon wagon camp. Her father coming back seeing she was gone, gave up on her and went back home alone. After she left none of the Windsor family ever heard from Margaret again. No one knew what had ever happened to her. It was a big mystery.

Sometime in the 1920's a Windsor cousin in Kansas put an advertisement in the Ladies Home Companion asking if anyone could answer the question about a long lost relative who had gone to Oregon in 1852 and was never heard from again. Louis Iman a brother of your Theodore Iman, was in a barber shop reading the magazines while getting shaved, and he recognized that the advertisement was asking about Margaret. He showed the ad to his wife who wrote the cousin in Kansas. So the mystery was solved. After some time the cousin came out to Washington and visited the Iman family.

In 1850 the Oregon legislature had offered large tracts of free land to settlers who would live on and cultivate the land for four years. In 1852 70,000 people, their wagons and livestock migrated west on the Oregon trail from Missouri to California Oregon or Utah (<sup>2</sup>). The Wilson family were among the emigrants that year to Oregon with relatives who the year before had settled in the Willamette Valley. Margaret was a friend of the Wilsons, and wanting to leave her stepmother, she decided to go to Oregon with them. She told her father Jeremiah and he said, "When the time comes to go, you won't go." The Wilson family left St. Joseph in the spring of 1852. Never did Margaret see her father sisters or brothers again.

The wagon train followed the Oregon Trail west, but the summer of 1852 was very rainy, the trail difficult, and many died. One baby became an orphan and Margaret carried him for five hundred miles. Every evening she asked mothers to nurse it and no mother refused. He made it to Oregon and was given to his relatives there (<sup>3</sup>). Indians also attacked the wagons. It took six months to travel the 2000 miles to Oregon. Margaret walked all the way.

The Wilsons, with Margaret, arrived in the winter at the Dalles. From there they were to take a raft down the Columbia River to Portland. But Margaret had become sick with "mountain fever (<sup>4</sup>)" and became unconscious. So the Wilsons stopped at Shepherd's Point where Stevenson now is, and left her at the hotel-hospital of Isaac H. Bush. The Wilsons left her there, not knowing if she would live or die, and traveled on to the Willamette Valley. Margaret remained in the hospital, sick for several weeks.

She got well. After her recovery to support herself she worked as the waitress at Bush's Hotel. There she met and married one of the hotel boarders, Felix Iman.

Felix Grundy Iman came from Illinois to Oregon for the better-paying jobs. In Illinois as a mechanic and carpenter he earned \$8.00 a month. In one day in Oregon he could earn that building boats and boathouses.

He arrived in Oregon on 11 September 1852, coming by ox team wagon on the Oregon Trail. There were 37 wagons in the train, for protection from the Indians. "When father's wagon train came to the Snake River they dumped out a lot of their supplies and furnishings and used the wagon boxes for boats to float down the river but you can't navigate a stream like that in wagon boxes and this they found out!" (Louis Iman in 1933).

Felix came to Portland, and worked as a carpenter. Then he went upriver to build steamboats for Capt. Lawrence Coe at the Cascades. He was building the COSMOPOLITE when he met Margaret, and they married. Felix also built the MARY and in 1855 the WASCO, early steamboats on the Columbia River.

Margaret and Felix married at Bush's Hotel, the justice of the Peace, also a resident of the hotel. Theodore Columbus Iman their first child was born the following year.

1853 — the Territory of Washington formed from the Oregon Territory.

1854 — 9 March, Skamania County, Washington created from Clark County, Washington.

On 10 March 1855 under the Oregon Donation Land Act the Imans were given 323.24 acres of the public land. They chose to patent land described as "a half-mile north of the rapids on the Washington side of the river and next to the claim of Isaac H. Bush". The claim was on Rock Creek, a mile from the present town of Stevenson. The Imans built a hewed log house on this land, and grew potatoes and onions.

"In the early fifties money was plentiful, but clothing and provisions were high. A 50 pound sack of flour which my husband purchased cost \$50. Coins ranged from a silver half-dime - to the fifty dollar slug, and I will include the copper cent. Once my husband had \$1500 worth of greenbacks or paper money which he had to let go at forty cents on the dollar. A few days later they were full face value. I want to tell you he never loved a greenback after that." Margaret Iman diary.

The arrival onto Indian land in Washington of permanent white settlers resulted in several wars, between Indians and settlers. In the Cascades the Yakima War of 1855-1856 began with the murder of Chief Peupeumoxmox of the Walla Walla, by settlers. A few months later, hostile Indians attacked white settlements along the Columbia River. On March 26, 1856 Rock Creek settlement was attacked and burned by the Yakimas.

Since an attack by Indians was to be expected (<sup>5</sup>), Felix moved on the claim about a mile nearer to the river. There he built a log house-fort. His plan was to fight off the Indians. He had to abandon this idea, wood shavings lay everywhere and could so easily set the place on fire. Felix was pondering over the situation, and the Yakimas appeared. Two days before, on March 24, Flora Adella Iman was born.

The Yakima warriors were fierce huge naked men, painted red, with guns and six-foot-long war bows and arrows. It was a visitor Mr. Carter who asked Felix if he had guns. The Indians intended to kill them.

Children of Felix Grundy and Margaret (Windsor) Iman:

Theodore Columbus, b. 23 Aug 1854, Cascade Locks, Wasco Co. Oregon; d. 19 March 1927 at Stevenson, Washington, aged 72; buried in the Iman Cemetery. A mail carrier and carpenter, he lived at Stevenson. A family tradition, Theodore was the first white child born in Wasco Co. Married:

Emma Kyler (<sup>6</sup>), on 21 April 1878; dau. Of Joseph and Emma (Holmaker, Haymaker) Kyler b. 12 Aug 1864 Sarpy Co. Nebraska; d. 11 July 1900 Stevenson, aged 35. Buried in Iman Cemetery. Children: Jeremia "Jerry", Ida M., Elmer B., and Francis E. Iman

Mary Anna "Marie" Kirchner, on 9 September 1901 at Stevenson; b. about 1858, Canada; d. after 1920. Marie had previously been married to Michael Rosier.

Flora Adella, b. 24 March 1856 at Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co. Washington Territory; d. 28 March 1949 at Stevenson, Washington, aged 93. Buried I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Stevenson. A family tradition, Flora was the first white child born in Skamania Co. Married:

Charles Morgan, on 7 November 1873, Portland, Oregon; b. 1844 Norway: Sailor. He served in the Civil War. Charles and Flora lived at Stevenson in the 1880 census. Later divorced. No children.

Ira Isaac Foster "Ike", son of Fenner and Julia Ann (Babbitt) Foster; b. 7 November 1858, Tootsboro Co. Iowa; d. 5 May 1919, Stevenson, aged 60; buried Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Stevenson. He came with his parents to Nebraska in 1869 and to Portland, Oregon in 1870. He was in the logging and wood business. Later, with his brother Monta Foster, in the scow business between Cascade Locks and the Dalles. After that ran a jitney business at Stevenson. Lived in Stevenson. Children: Pearl A., Ruby Margaret, Lenna I., Ira D. Leana "Lena"(<sup>7</sup>), Vernon "Fenner" Felix, Hattie M. Foster and an infant died young.

Jefferson Davis Nix(<sup>8</sup>); b. April 1862, Texas; d. 28 September 1945, age 83; buried in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Stevenson. A farmer, he lived at Stevenson. No children.

Mary "Merry" Elizabeth, b. about 1857 at Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co. Washington; d. before 1870; buried in the Iman Cemetery.

Elnora Supronia, "Ellen" "Nora", b. May 1859 at Rock Creek, Skamania Co. Washington; d. before 1870; buried in the Iman Cemetery

Martha Luchada, b. March 1861 Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co. Washington; d. 17 December 1948, Stevenson, Washington. Married

Malcolm McKinnon, about 1880; b. June 1851, New York; d. 19 August 1921, at Stevenson of a heart attack, aged 70; buried in the Iman Cemetery. A carpenter and shoemaker, lived in Wasco Co. Oregon and at Stevenson for 40 years. Children: ?, Burton, Otis, Georgia, and Morris McKinnon

Oscar Bevens (<sup>9</sup>), after 1921; son of William and Samantha (Walton) Bevens; b. May 1875, Des Moines, Iowa; d. 6 January 1942, Skamania Co.; Resided with his parents in Des Moines, Iowa. Parents then moved to Medicine Lodge, Barbour Co. Kansas in 1880 and to Stevenson in 1889. Laborer, lived at Stevenson. No children.

Rosalia Almeda "Rosa", b. September 1862, Rock Creek, upper Cascades, Stevenson; d. before 1931. Buried in Satsup, Washington. Married:

Daniel Jones, about 1890; b. June 1862, Wisconsin. A blacksmith, lived at Tacoma



and Sitsap, Pierce Co. Washington. Children: Donnie, Ella, Nellie, Eva, Rosa and Daniel J. Jones.

Si Townsend. Children: Frank Townsend.

“John” William b. 3 April 1864, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co. Washington; d. 1 February 1938, Stevenson, aged 83; buried in the Iman Cemetery. A saloon keeper and mill filer for a logging company, lived at Stevenson. Married Martha Waldon. They divorced.

“Albert” Odum, b. September 1866, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co. Washington; d. 31 December 1952, Raymond, Washington. Worked in a saw mill, lived Stevenson and at Raymond, Washington. Married Christina Nelson about 1902; dau. Of John and Ina (Thompson) Nelson. Christina had married 1) James Riley Iman, a brother of Albert Odum Iman (see James Riley Iman.) Children: Jessie, Arthur, Albert Iman and an infant died young.

“George” Washington b. 8 July 1867, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co. Washington; d. 9 April 1935, Skamania Co. Washington, aged 67; buried in the Iman Cemetery. Worked in a saw mill. Lived at Stevenson. Married May Freeman.

“Louis” Franklin, b. 4 March 1869. Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co. Washington; d. 27 September 1947, Stevenson, aged 78; buried in the Iman Cemetery. A farmer and liquor dealer, lived at Stevenson. Married Emily May Eyman, a cousin, in 1889 at Stevenson. Harriet Eyman was daughter of Louis Eyman and wife Harriet Caroline (Kidd). Louis was brother of Felix Grundy Iman. Windsor has death certificate for Louis Eyman that shows his father as Christian Iman and Mary Whiteside.; dau. Of Louis and Harriet Caroline (Kidd) Eyman; b. 4 September 1872 in Monroe Co. Illinois; d. 13 September 1945 at Stevenson; buried in the Iman Cemetery. Eight Children: Emily F., Elma V. , Robert Hon “Pink”, Edith, William “Earl” B., Nell, Frank, Louis Felix “Mike” Iman.

“James” Riley, b. October 1871, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades; d. 1901, probably at Stevenson; buried in the Iman Cemetery. A teamster. Married Christina Nelson 27 March 1894 at Stevenson; dau. of John and Ina (Thompson) Nelson; b. 4 February 1877, Norway; d. 1 February 1935, at Stevenson; buried Iman Cemetery. A housewife. Children: Ethel, Hazel Kay, Simeon Iman and an infant d. young. [Christina married 2) Albert Odum Iman a brother of James Riley Iman (See Albert Odum Iman.)

“Alfred” Edmund, b. 12 May 1872, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania County; d. 13 March 1895, Stevenson, aged 23; buried Iman Cemetery. Never married.

“Emily” Cordelia, ba. About 1875, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania County; d. circa 1896, Stevenson; buried Iman Cemetery. Married Monroe Vallett, 1892, Skamania Co.; b 19 November 1864, Illinois; d. 17 Sept 1930, Skamania Co., aged 67; buried in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Stevenson. A carpenter and farmer, he lived at Stevenson. Child: Myrtle Vallett.

Annie Laurie, b. about 1876, probably Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co; d. November 1879, Stevenson; buried in the Iman Cemetery

Charles Nathaniel “Charly”, b. 12 August 1877, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades; d. 6 January 1936 Spokane, Washington, aged 58; buried in the Iman Cemetery. Carpenter at a sawmill. He lived with his mother at Stevenson, never married.

“Josia” Malcom, b. 28 June 1880, Stevenson; d. 17 January 1909, Stevenson, of

pneumonia; buried in Iman Cemetery. A farmer, never married

(\*\*) Christopher Columbus Fields, b. 4 January 1856; d. 25 June 1928 at Stevenson; buried Iman Cemetery. He was an orphan raised by Felix and Margaret Iman.

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Footnotes:

1) James Windsor provides helpful context here; “After the death of the mother, I believe the father was forced to send the younger children to live with neighbors. After all, he could not work and stay home with babies at the same time. He married a second time to Mrs. Louisa Short and it was she who insisted the children from the first marriage live outside the home. Of course Jeremiah brought all his children to Missouri when he and Louisa moved to Buchanan Co. Missouri, but Louisa soon had them all sent to live with other families.”

2) 40,000 to 70,000 people traveled West on the Oregon Trail in 1852. Of those emigrants most went to California and Utah, 10,000 went to Oregon. (“The Plains Across, the Overland Emigrants and the Trans-Mississippi West, 1840-1860”, by John Unruh.)

3) Ruth Shawcross says the orphans name was Sully Williams. Conrad “Tommy” Lundy of Stevenson (1995), grandson of Louis Franklin Iman, remembered that a granddaughter, who lived in Ohio, of Sully Williams advertised about fifty years ago in a ladies magazine for information on Margaret Windsor who had saved her grandmother. The advertisement was answered by Emily Iman (Mrs. Louis F. Iman). Later the granddaughter came to Stevenson and met the Iman family. The granddaughter said that Sully Williams had lived in California. [Sully Was actually a man, and the lady who advertised was his daughter. So the line should read.. .”had saved my father.”]

4) This may have been what is known even today as ‘rocky mountain fever’ -- an acute tick-borne illness caused by the bacteria *Rickettsia rickettsi*. The disease is characterized by sudden onset of headache, chills, and fever which can persist for 2-3 weeks. A characteristic rash appears on the extremities and trunk about the 4th day of illness. It is often fatal if not treated with antibiotics.

5) Windsor believes that the Cascade settlers anticipated an attack by Yakimas, though it’s not clear from some other sources that the Yakimas were suspected. Local Indians were, tragically, among those hung subsequently. Windsor points to this quote to help clarify the situation: “I read the settlers in Skamania Co. at the Cascades had been expecting an indian attack for some time. Some of the friendly local indians had been warning the settlers that unfriendly tribes were planning an imminent attack, and for this reason Felix decided to build a new house closer to the river in case the family had to escape by boat. The original Iman house had been farther back from the river by about a mile. Of course no one knew when the attack would come and all were suprised by it. The local indians who were hung had been on friendly terms to the white locals. Indian Jim was one of the ones hung, and he was a good friend of Felix. They were of the Cascade tribe. The motive behind the hangings was anger and racism. Quite a few of the white settlers had lost relatives besides homes in the attack and

there was some kind of revenge wanted, and as the Yakimas had all returned back to their land, the Cascades were the only Indians to take revenge one, even though they were innocent. Of course most white people at that time did not like Indians and did not trust them, so of course most of the locals were none too squeamish to get rid of them. Margaret claimed she witnessed the hanging, or at least at some point she claimed to have seen them hanging. Felix was away at the time and when he returned a day or two later he was sorry to hear about the hangings and told the locals that those Indians were all innocent and it was wrong to hang them. At least that is how history has left the story for us. There were also some sordid details a few days after the Yakima attack. There was a friendly indian and his wife and children and they were travelling by boat on the Columbia River near Shepard's Point. It is said that Samuel Hamilton with some other local men, but not Felix, captured these Indians and their children and raped the woman and then killed them all, children included, in a very cruel way, by strangling them and chopping off their heads. Lt. Philip Sheridan (he later to be famous in the Civil War) was there serving as the commander of the force that had chased off the Yakimas, and Sheridan claimed it was Hamilton and some others whom he named go after the two Indians who were then found murdered shortly thereafter. But of course this was hushed up and Sheridan declined to press charges and consequently never spoken of again, so no one prosecuted Hamilton and the others, but it is a sordid story and a sad comment on the history of the area."

6) Records for Kyler marriages in Sarpy Co., Nebraska, show that the Kyler family came to Sarpy Co. from Clearfield Co., Pennsylvania. (See Caldwell's Illustrated and Historical Combination Atlas of Clearfield County, Pennnsylvania, p. 21, pub. 1878 for a genealogy of some of the descendants of Leonary Keyler, 1767-1861.)

7) Lena changed her name to Elizabeth, and was called Betty.

8) Jefferson Davis Nix married 1) Nora Ann Bevens, a dau. Of Willim and Samantha (Waltong) Bevans on 1 January 1893, Skamania Co. Washington (VR). They divorced. Nora was born April 1877 in Iowa; died 5 May 1950, Stevenson; buried I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Stevenson. Nora Bevens was the sister of Oscar Bevans who married Martha (Iman) McKinnon, no. 5.

9) Oscar Bevans married 1) Daisy \_\_, in 1898. She was born in February 1882, Kansas. (See 1900 census Skamania Co. Washington, ed. 206, p. 11a).

10) Exact relationship a bit obscure.. see next footnote.

# CHILDREN OF FELIX GRUNDY IMAN and MARGARET WINDSOR

## THEODORE COLUMBUS IMAN

**Theodore Columbus Iman** was married to **Emma Kyler**, and later married **Mary Ann “Marie” Kirchner**.

Theodore was born Aug. 23, 1854 at Cascades, (*present day Cascade Locks*), Wasco Co., Oregon, and died March 19, 1927 of influenza in Stevenson.

Theodore Columbus Iman, “Theo,” b. 23 August 1854, at the Cascades, Wasco Co. Oregon Territory; d. 19 March 1927, at Stevenson, Washington[1], of influenza, aged 72. He is buried in the Iman Cemetery. According to a family tradition, Theodore was the first white child born in Wasco Co. Theodore had the very large ears called among the locals in Skamania Co. “Iman Ears.” Jeff Moore, great grandson of Ike and Flora Foster, said, “The Imans all had big ears and that got to be an expression, people would say someone with big ears had Iman Ears.”

Theo was a carpenter and worked for many years at the Iman sawmill, though in the 1900 census of Skamania Co. his occupation was listed as mail carrier. With his second wife Theo moved to Raymond, Washington about 1914, as his sons Frank and Elmer lived there. A few years later Theo and wife moved to Lewis Co., Washington, to work in the lumber camps. Sometime after 1920 he moved back to Stevenson.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 18 April 1901, “It has been remarked that Theodore Iman has shaved off his whiskers.”

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 26 September 1901, “T. C. Iman family departed for Columbia City, Oregon, visiting friends and business matters.”

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 25 March 1927, obituary, Aged Pioneer Passes Saturday, “Theo C. Iman died at his home in Stevenson last Saturday after a lingering illness as the result of the flu contracted several weeks ago. Funeral services were held at the graveside Tuesday fore noon and interment made in the private cemetery on the Louis Iman ranch west of town. Rev. Lindsley of the Congregational Church officiating. A large number of friends from all parts of the Columbia River gorge paid their last respects to the aged pioneer at the grave as he had a wide acquaintance. Mr. Iman was born at what is now Cascade Locks, Ore., August 23, 1854, and has lived all his life in this locality. He was married in 1872 to Miss Emma Kyler and to this union were born four children: Mrs. Ida Johnson, deceased, J. Iman of Charleston, Wash., E. B. and F. C. Iman of Raymond. He is also survived by three sisters and five brothers, Mrs. Florence A. Foster, Mrs. M. L. McKinnon of Stevenson; Mrs. Rose Jones of Seetsop, Wash., J. W. Iman of Castle Rock; A. O. and C. N. Iman of Stevenson, and eight grandchildren.

Theodore was married twice. Mary Anna Kirchner’s first husband was Peter

Rosier. Mary Anna may also have been known as Mary Emma. She appears to have died at some time in the 1920's, and it's not known if she and Theodore were separated or divorced; she was not found to be living with any of her children and is not mentioned in Theodore's obituary.

Theodore Iman and Emma Kyler Iman had four children: Jeremiah "Jerry" Iman, Ida M. Iman, Elmer B. Iman, and Francis "Frank" Iman.

### **EMMA KYLER**

Emma Kyler was born Aug. 12, 1864 in Sarpy, Co., KA, and died July 19, 1900 in Skamania County. Emma Kyler, "Ada," on 21 April 1878, Skamania Co. Washington Territory; the daughter of Joseph Kyler and Emma (Holmaker, Haymaker); b. 12 August 1864, in Sarpy Co. Kansas; d. 11 July 1900, at Stevenson, aged 35. She is buried in the Iman Cemetery . Her gravestone is inscribed, | Emma Kyler Iman | 1865-1900 |. Emma was 13 or 14 years old when she married Theo.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 19 July 1900, obituary, Death of Mrs. T. C. Iman, "Mrs. Theodore Iman died at her home near Stevenson at 7:20 o'clock Thursday morning of heart disease. Emma Kyler was born in Syrapee county, Nebraska, on August 12th, 1864, and was married to Theodore Iman on the 21st day of April 1878. The deceased leaves four children, a husband, two sisters, two brothers and a mother, besides many relatives and friends, to mourn her demise. Mrs. Iman was known for her spotless character and affectionate disposition and through the death of her the family loses a kind and loving mother and wife and the community a model neighbor and friend. The deceased was loved by all who knew her and the community joins in hearty sympathy with the family and relatives in their sad bereavement. The deceased was buried Friday afternoon in the family's cemetery about one mile and a half northwest of this place. The remains was followed by a large concourse of relatives and friends, who went to show their last respects to the departed."

Mary Ann was born in 1855 in either Canada or Illinois, and died aft. 1920. Mary Ann was a resident of Apiary, Columbia County, Oregon at the time of her marriage to Theo. Apiary is near Rainier, OR. In the census of 1910 and 1920 she was living with Theo, but there is no record of her after that. They may have divorced. She is not buried in the Iman Cemetery.

Theo and Marie Iman had no children.

**Jeremiah "Jerry" Iman** (*son of Theodore Iman and Emma Kyler Iman*) was born in 1879 in Stevenson, Skamania County, WA Territory, and died in 1967. He married Verina Card, who was born in Portland, OR.

Named after his grandfather Jeremiah Daniel Windsor. "Jerry" was a farmer who had been born in Stevenson and moved out as a young man — as young men did then — in order to try his hands at homesteading in a variety of locations in the Pacific Northwest. Sometimes he'd work on roads or be involved in timbering, though the memories of his grandsons focus primarily on the dawn to dusk rigors of managing crops and herds on a good sized piece of land in central Washington.

**Raymond Stephen Iman**, (*son of Jeremiah “Jerry” Iman and Verina Card*). He married Carlotta Ester Cook. Their children were Stephen Iman and Jay Douglas Iman.

Ray was born and raised on a farm with several brothers and sisters. He moved to Seattle to live with an uncle for high school where he excelled at sports and was a captain of most teams he ever played on. He looked around for something to learn and decided to take up electric motor repair. Before long he had opened a small repair shop in downtown Seattle which he worked at for most of the rest of his life. He made the best of friends easily, as shown by the large number of people who turned up at his funeral without announcement aside from a small note in the Seattle paper. He enjoyed life immensely and was an outdoorsman who hunted and fished at all opportunities. Handy with tools, he readily built and refurbished buildings and land -- after berry picking at dawn of course, a great long hikes for trout fishing or deer hunting.

Carlotta “Carla,” known as “Duckie”, was the youngest of three sisters. She was a bright woman who had entertained becoming a physician though her educational plans were cut short by the widespread economic depression of the 1930’s. She became a housewife and mother, though “stay at home roles” never fully satisfied her. She took pride in leadership of organizations and maintained contact with close friends from her earliest days. She managed bookkeeping for Iman Electric and was a rather astute investor for her days.

**Raymond’s son Jay Douglas Iman** married Wendy, and they had two children: Kyle and Brooke

**Jerry Iman** (*son of Theodore Iman and Emma Kyler Iman*) wife was Grace. He worked in Ray Iman’s electric motor business through many periods; served in U.S. Army during WWII, and then moved to Southern California with his family.

**Kay Iman** (*daughter of Theodore Iman and Emma Kyler Iman*) was born about 1915, and she was married to Wesley Decker. Kay lived in South and West Seattle, though in later years, Kay lived alone near Northgate.

**Jeanne Iman** (*daughter of Theodore Iman and Emma Kyler Iman*) Jeanne was a pianist and played the piano in shows with Margaret Truman, daughter of President Harry S. Truman. She was a talented musician and beloved sister. She spent years in a sanatorium in Central Washington and died of tuberculosis.

**Raymond Iman and Verina Card** had two children: Stephen and Jay Douglas.

**Stephen Iman** was born about 1940. Jay was born in 1942 and married Wendy. Their children are Kyle and Brooke Iman. Kyle was born abt. 1980. Brooke was born after 1970.

**Kay Iman** was born about 1915, and married Wesley Decker. They had no children.

## FLORA ADELIA IMAN MORGAN FOSTER NIX

**Flora Adelia Iman**, “Flo,” b. 24 March 1856, at the Upper Cascades (Stevenson), Skamania Co. Washington Territory; d. 28 March 1949, at Stevenson, aged 93. She is buried in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery at Stevenson.

“I am the oldest living native daughter of Skamania County. I was married when I was seventeen years old to Charles Morgan. He was born in Norway. He was an old time sailor and a veteran of the Civil War. We were married by a Justice of the Peace. After ten years of marriage my husband and I agreed to disagree, and I married Ira Foster of Iowa. My former husband also married again. My second husband and I had seven children. Five of our girls are married. One son works for the railroad. The other lives at Taft, Oregon.”

According to a family tradition, Flora was the first white child born in Skamania Co. She was a housewife and is especially remembered by her grandchildren for her homemade noodles. She was also a good piano player and taught piano lessons. She always lived at Stevenson except for a short period when she and her husband Ike Foster lived in Lewis and Pierce Cos. working in the logging industry.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 1 April 1949, obituary, Pioneer Woman Called by Death; 92 years old, “Scores of friends of Mrs. Flora A. Nix paid last respects to her memory yesterday afternoon when funeral services were held at the Stevenson Methodist Church. She passed away Monday afternoon. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. H. Avery and Rev. Violet Le La Cheur and Gardner and Son had charge. Committal was in IOOF Cemetery east of Stevenson. Many floral tributes covered the casket and several out of town friends and relatives were present at the services. Mrs. Nix passed away only 4 days after her 93rd birthday and closed a long life of love and kindness to family and many friends. She had been ill for the past 4 months. She was the daughter of the late Felix G. and Margaret Windsor Iman, early day pioneers of Stevenson, then known as Cascades, Wash. Terr. She was born March 24, 1856 and when 2 days old the family with one other small child a brother were forced from their home by Indians, the home was fired and burned, the family escaping and finally being taken to The Dalles, Ore. until it was safe to return. In the early 1880’s Flora married Isaac I. Foster. To this union 5 daughters and 2 sons were born. Mr. Foster passed away many years ago. Several years later she married the late Jefferson Nix. Mrs. Nix leaves to mourn her passing the following children: Mrs. Pearl Slack of Seattle, Mrs. Ruby Sweeney of Stevenson, Mrs. Elizabeth Lyons of Stevenson, Mrs. Leana Joyce of Salem, Ore., Mrs. Hattie Kynaston of Stanfield, Ore., Mrs. Ira D. Foster of Portland, Ore. and Mr. Kenneth F. Foster of Stanfield, Ore.; one brother, Albert O. Iman of Raymond, Washington; nineteen grandchildren, many great grandchildren and nephews.”

Flora married Charles Morgan, who was born in 1851 in Norway; died about 1915, probably in Portland, OR. In the 1880 census Charles (age 36) and Flora Morgan lived at Stevenson. They divorced about 1883. It is said that Charles Morgan served in the Civil War. One ancestor in an interview in September 1995 said, “Flora was excited by Charles Morgan. He was a sailor and manly and handsome. She married him

because he was so handsome. After they married, the first time Flora had sex with him it was very painful for her, as he had a very large penis. Flora told me this and laughed about it. Later on she said she really enjoyed having sex with him, but that outside of the sex they really had no relationship. Eventually the sex and love died and she left him. She didn't really want to have children by him, no, so they never had any." Skamania County Bills of Sale, Bk. 1, p. 3, 9 May 1885: Felix G. Iman sells interest in the Charles Morgan homestead and claim at Stevenson to Lewis Eyman for \$450. He is probably the Charles Morgan living with wife Ann, and daughters Abnetha and Ann, at Portland, Multnomah Co. Oregon in the census of 1900. This census states Charles Morgan came to America in 1870. Charles Morgan married 2) Anna (Lund), on 24 June 1887, in Portland, Oregon. She was b. April 1865, in Russia or Finland. The census of 1900 states that she came to America in 1883. In the 1920 census of Portland, Oregon she was a widow, aged 54, living with daughters Abnetha and Anna Morgan and with half-brother John Lund.

**Flora A. Iman Morgan** married **Isaac Ira Foster**, who was born in 1858 in Louisa Co., Iowa, and died in 1919 in Stevenson. Isaac is buried at the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. Flora and Isaac Foster had seven children: Pearl S. Foster, Ruby Margaret Foster, Lena "Elizabeth" "Betty" Foster, Ira D. Foster, Leana J. "Lena" Foster, Vernon Kenneth Felix "Fenner" Foster, and Hattie M. Foster.

Isaac Ira Foster, "Ike," the son of Fenner Foster and Julia Ann (Babbit) was born in Iowa and died of a heart attack at age 60. He is buried in the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, at Mt. Pleasant, Skamania Co., next to his father Fenner Foster. Ike's parents moved from Iowa to Nebraska in 1869 and came to Portland, Oregon in 1870, and shortly after that to Skamania Co. (Fenner Foster, Ike's father, was Skamania Co. Tax Assessor in 1885.)

Ike was in the logging and wood business. Later, with his brother Monta Foster, in the scow business between Cascade Locks and The Dalles. After that he ran a jitney business and skating rink in Stevenson. The Fosters lived at Stevenson, but between 1889 and 1891, while working for the timber industry, Ike and Flora moved to Lewis Co. Washington, then to Seattle and after that to Roy in Pierce Co. Washington. Flora's sister and brother-in-law, Rosa and Daniel Jones, were also living in Roy at that time.

Ike and Flora Foster began living together about 1885 in a marriage of "common law." They married legally, and supposedly under pressure from the Iman family, after all their eight children had been born.

Ike Foster also married a Myrtle Elizabeth Gould in 1880. Other than the marriage date, place and the census, there is very little for the record concerning Elizabeth Gould. It is probable though that the marriage ended in a quiet divorce. There appears to have been no children.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 8 May 1919, obituary, Ira I. Foster, "This community was shocked last Monday morning when it was announced that "Ike" Foster had passed away at the home of his son-in-law, Leo Moore, from an attack of acute indigestion. Sunday evening he left the jitney stand to spend the night at the home of his son-in-law, Leo Moore, and seemed to be in excellent health. After eating a hearty supper he retired, but called his daughter to his bedside a couple of hours later saying he did not feel well. He rapidly grew worse and passed away before medical help could be summoned. Isaac I. Foster was born at Tootsboro, Iowa, November 7,



1858, and moved with his parents to Nebraska in 1869, remaining there about a year. They continued their journey westward and arrived in Portland, Oregon on April 10, 1870, since which time he had made Oregon and Washington his home, following the logging and wood business. For a number of years he was associated with his brother, Monte, in the scow business between Cascade Locks and The Dalles. For several years he was over on the sound in the logging contracting business. For the past few months has been in the jitney business here. "Ike" Foster was a man well known and had many friends, and was a staunch friend toward Skamania county and Stevenson. Funeral services are being held here today, and the body will be taken to Mt. Pleasant and laid to rest beside his father. He is survived by his wife, seven children, and thirteen grandchildren. The children are Mrs. William Black, of Vancouver, Miss Lenna Foster, of San Francisco, Mrs. J. F. Joyce, of Prairie City, Wash., Mrs. Hattie Smith, of Woods Cross, Utah, Mrs. Leo Moore, Ira and Fenner Foster, of Stevenson. His brother F. F. Foster, lives at Carson. Mrs. A. J. Hull of Colton, California and Mrs. C. J. Moore of Vancouver are his sisters. His many friends extend to the sorrowing wife and bereaved children their heart-felt sympathy in this, their great hour of grief."

**Charles and Flora Iman Foster's children:**

**Pearl S. Foster** was born in 1886 in Stevenson. She was not married.

**Ruby Margaret Foster** was born in 1888 and married Leo Roy Moore

**Lena "Elizabeth" "Betty" Foster** was born in 1889.

**Ira D. Foster** was born in 1891.

**Leana J. "Lena" Foster** was born in 1893.

**Vernon Kenneth Felix "Fenner" Foster** was born in 1896 and died in 1979.

**Hattie M. Foster** was born in 1899 and died in 1983.

**Flora A. Iman Morgan Foster** married **Jefferson Davis Nix**, who was born in 1862 at Ponycreek, Erath Co., Texas; died in 1945 at the Bonneville Sanitorium in North Bonneville, Skamania County; and is buried in the IOOF Cemetery, Stevenson. Jeff Nix had been a Texas cowboy and a railroader before he settled at Stevenson in 1892. In 1895 he was elected Sheriff of Skamania Co. In April of that same year, while Sheriff, he, with others, stole the Skamania County records from the (then) Skamania county seat of Lower Cascades township, and carried them to Stevenson where Jeff declared Stevenson as the new county seat. (And since that time Stevenson has remained the county seat.) Also in the 1890's Jeff Nix owned and lived in Stevenson's first hotel, "The Valley Hotel." Later on he bought a farm east of Stevenson. It is said that he cleared the land on this farm by making cord wood from the trees. He was also employed in the timber industry for many years. He lived at Stevenson. Jeff's brother, George Washington Nix (1859-1941), was also a pioneer resident of Stevenson and is buried in the Iman Cemetery.

Jeff and Flora Nix had no children.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, Friday, 28 July 1933, Nix-Foster Wedding Surprizes Friends "Jeff Nix and Mrs. Flora Foster were married Monday at her residence here. This romance and marriage comes as a great surprize to their friends and acquaintances. They are now at home at his ranch north of town where they will make their home. ...hope all their troubles are little ones."

**Mr. Nix** had married **Nora A. Bevans** in 1893, when she was 15 years old. Nora Bevans was born in 1877 in Iowa and died in 1950 in Stevenson. She is buried at the IOOF Cemetery, Stevenson. After they were married their first home was on a flatboat called “The Blue Jay.” They used this flatboat to transport cord wood and lumber, which they sold upriver at The Dalles, Oregon. On returning down-river in “The Blue Jay” they brought groceries and supplies to sell in the Stevenson area. In the early 1900’s Nora Nix was a typesetter and office employee for the SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER.

Mr. Nix’s obituary states that he and Nora (Bevans) had ten children. About 1930 Jeff and Nora Nix divorced. Their children, who were unhappy about the break-up of the family, never accepted the divorce and in the end had their parents buried together, that is in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery at Stevenson where Jeff and Nora Nix lie next to each other, their tombstones read, FATHER | MOTHER.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 23 June 1910, “Jeff Nix was injured by falling lumber at the Youman’s Simpson Mill, breaking two ribs and injuring his head.”

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 5 October 1945, obituary, Heart Attack is Fatal to Jeff D. Nix, “Funeral services were held Sunday of Jefferson Davis Nix, a pioneer of the Stevenson community who passed away at the Bonneville Sanitarium on Friday. He had been a patient for several weeks and had been released to come home only a day or so prior to his death. A change in his condition resulted and he was again taken to the Sanitarium where he passed away. He came to Stevenson in 1892 and at his death was 83 years old. In 1892 he was married to Nora A. Bevans. Ten children were born to this marriage: Mrs. Ira Foster, Portland, Leroy Nix (deceased), Mrs. Frank E. Maine, Stevenson, Mrs. Frank Richards, Salem, Oregon; Arthur Nix of Waldsort, Oregon; John (Buster) Nix, Stevenson, Mrs. Cornish Burt, Portland, Mrs. Larry Wade, Seattle, Mrs. Larry Silver, Portland and Mrs. Everett Douglas, Stevenson. Mr. Nix led a varied and colorful life having been a railroader and cowboy before coming to Stevenson and in 1895 he was the second sheriff of Skamania Co. Later he ran a scow boat on the Columbia River from Stevenson to The Dalles, Ore. In later years he followed timber work. July 24, 1933 he was married to Flora A. Foster. Mrs. Nix is the oldest pioneer in Skamania Co. Mr. Nix was laid to rest last Sunday in the IOOF Cemetery, many friends and relatives gathered to pay their last respects to one of their oldest pioneers.”

**Jefferson Davis Nix** and **Nora Bevans** had 10 children:

**Ira Nix** married a (woman) Foster.

**Leroy Nix.**

(Woman) **Nix.** She married **Frank E. Maine.**

(Woman) **Nix.** She married **Frank Richards.**

**Arthur Nix.** Arthur resided in Waldsort, Oregon.

**John “Buster” Nix.** He resided in Stevenson.

(Woman) **Nix.** She married **Cornish Burt.**

(Woman) **Nix.** She married **Larry Wade.**

(Woman) **Nix.** She married **Larry Silver.**

(Woman) **Nix.** She married **Everett Douglas.**

## MARY ELIZABETH “MERRY” IMAN

**Mary Elizabeth “Merry” Iman** was born about 1857, and died before 1870. She is buried in the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson. The 1860 census notes she was 3 years old and living with her parents.

## ELNORA SUPRONIA IMAN

**Elnora Supronia Iman** was born in 1859 at Cascades, Skamania County, WN Territory, and died before 1870. She is buried in the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson. She was 11 months old and living with her parents in the 1860 census.

## MARTHA LUCHADA IMAN

Martha Luchada Iman was born in 1861 at the Cascades, Skamania County, WN Territory; and died in 1948 in Stevenson. She was cremated at Riverview Abbey, Portland, OR. Affectionately known as Aunt Martha. In later years her brothers George and John Iman lived with her.

Her first husband was McKinnon, her Second Bevens. She was the third wife of Oscar Bevens.

Funeral Held Here Tuesday for Pioneer, “Funeral services were held here Tuesday for Mrs. Martha L. McKinnon, one of the first to be born in Cascades Territory, the name then attached to the Stevenson area. At her death she was 87 years 8 months of age, and had lived all her life in Stevenson and Cascade Locks, Oregon. She was the daughter of Felix G. and Margaret Windsor Iman who came to Stevenson with the first white settlers from the East. Her childhood memories included Indian raids and constant battles with nature to survive the more rugged winters of that day. In the early 1880’s she married the late Malcolm McKinnon of Cascade Locks and they resided in that town for several years. She was the mother of five children, three of whom survive. They are W. O. McKinnon of Cascade Locks, Maurice R. McKinnon of Portland, and Georgia Halley of Stevenson. One brother Albert O. Iman of Raymond and one sister Flora A. Nix of Stevenson, besides a host of nieces and nephews and a host of friends who called her Aunt Martha. Burial services were held from the Gardner Chapel in Stevenson at 1:30 Tuesday.

**Burton McKinnon** was born in 1881 and died in 1921.

**William Otis McKinnon** was born in 1884, and died in 1964. He lived in Cascade Locks.

**Georgia McKinnon** was born in 1889 and died in 1969.

**Maurice “Morris” R. McKinnon** was born in 1893, and resided in Portland, OR.

## ROSALIE ALMEDIA “ROSA” “ROSIE” IMAN

**Rosalie Almedia “Rosa” “Rosie” Iman** was born in 1862 at the Cascades, Skamania County, WN Territory. She died at Satsop, Grays Harbor Co., WA.; and was buried at Aberdeen, Grays Harbor Co., WA.

She married Daniel Jones who was born in 1862 in Wisconsin, and died in 1936 in Tacoma, Pierce Co., WN. He was a blacksmith and lived at various times in the towns of Roy, Ashford and Tacoma in Pierce Co., Washington, and for a short time at Yelm, Thurston Co., Washington. About 1921 the Jones moved to Satsop, in Grays Harbor Co., Washington. After the death of his wife Daniel Jones lived with his daughter, Mrs. Donna Grace, or Tacoma.

**Rosalia** and **Daniel Lones** had six children:

**Donna May “Donnie” Jones** was born in 1892, and died in 1969.

**Eva “Ella” Jones** was born in 1894 and died in 1974.

**Rosa Jones** was born in 1895.

**Nell “Nellie” Jones** was born in 1896.

**Daniel H. Jones** was born in 1900 and died in 1968.

**Margaret Jones** (no information).

**Rosalia** also married **James W. “Cy” Townsend** in 1881 in Stevenson. They had two children:

**Lauren Loren “Lonnie” Townsend** who was born in 1881 and died in 1948;

**Frank R. “Frankie” Townsend.** Frank was born in 1884 and died about 1961.

## JOHN WILLIAM IMAN

**John William Iman** was born in 1864 at the Cascades, Skamania County, WA Territory; died in 1938 in Stevenson; and was buried in the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson. He married **Martha Waldon**. John was a saloon keeper, saw filer for a logging company, and a timber worker.

In 1927 John lived at Castle Rock, Cowitz Co., Washington. Later he and his brother, George Iman, made their home for many years with their sister, Mrs. Martha McKinnon, at Stevenson.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 4 October 1900, “John Iman has sold his saloon.”

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 24 January 1901, “John Iman has finished building his business building, adjoining his property across the street from the PIONEER office.”

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 4 February 1938, obituary, County Native Dies Tuesday at age of 73, “John Iman, 73 years old and a native of Stevenson, passed away at the home of his sister, Mrs. Oscar Bevans, here Tuesday evening about 7:30. He had been ill for two years suffering from complication due to age. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Iman Sr. who were among the very first settlers in the Gorge. During

his younger days he worked as a saw filer and many timber activities. He was married many years ago, but was divorced, no children being born to the union. Since that time he has made his home with his sister and worked when he felt able to do so. The body was removed Wednesday from the Bevans home to the Hendry-Gardner-Hufford funeral parlors where it will lie until the funeral, the time of which had not been announced last night. Burial will be in the Iman family cemetery on Rock Creek and due to the present road conditions, it would be difficult to reach at this time. It was stated that notice of burial arrangements would be posted as soon as available. This would probably be Saturday, it was stated. Mr. Iman leaves two sisters, Mrs. Bevans with whom he lived and Mrs. Jeff Nix, also of Stevenson. Two surviving brothers are Lou Iman of Stevenson and Al Iman of Kalama, Washington. Funeral arrangements are in charge of Hendry-Gardner-Hufford.”

Married: Martha Waldon, after 1920. It is not known when or where they married. She is named as wife on his death certificate, but which also stated that they were divorced. No further record of Martha Waldon.

John and Martha Iman had no children.

Skamania County Civil Court, Case 158, Bk. 1, p. 93, 27 October 1900: John W. Iman charged with assault. “...John Iman is accused of the crime of Assault with the intent to commit murder, committed as follows to wit: He the said John Iman, did in Skamania County, on the 4 of July 1900, feloniously, purposely and of his deliberate and premeditated malice, make an assault upon one William Ganey with a pistol gun which the said John Iman then and there had and held by him and there attempted to discharge and shoot him the said William Ganey, with the intent to kill and murder.” “...Presently comes John Iman into court and pleads guilty to simple assault and the prosecuting attorney being willing to accept such plea. The defendant then being fined the sum of \$-.”

Some Court documents in the case “John W. Iman charged with assault” are missing or illegible, particularly the statement of a witness to the incident. At the time of the alleged attempted murder John Iman owned a saloon, therefore the case most likely involved a bar fight.

## ALBERT ODUM IMAN

**Albert Odum Iman** was born in 1866 at the Cascades in Skamania County, WN Territory died in 1950, at the Light House Mission, Raymond, Pacific Co., WA; and was buried in the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson.

Albert Odum Iman, "Al," was a sawmill worker, although his death certificate states his occupation as "ship builder." He lived at Stevenson, but in 1902 he, with his wife, lived at Roy, Washington where Albert's sister and brother-in-law, Rosa and Daniel Jones, lived at the time. In 1920, while his wife remained in Stevenson, he lived with his brother George in Lewis Co. Washington working in the lumber camps. After 1920 he, with his wife, moved from Stevenson and worked at various lumber camps in Cowlitz, Lewis, Pierce and Raymond Cos., Washington. Of the children of Felix and Margaret Iman, Albert was the last to die.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 7 February 1901, "Old Iman wheel powered sawmill to be updated and reopened by Albert Iman."

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 16 May 1901, "A. O. Iman and Lou Powers in a rowboat coming up the river found a dead body."

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 1 August 1901, "Old water powered Iman sawmill running now. The old water wheel was replaced by a boiler and engine."

Albert married Christina Nelson, about 1902, probably in Skamania County. Christina had married 1) James Riley Iman, a brother of Albert Odum Iman. (See James Riley Iman, p. 11.)

Albert and Christina Iman had four children:

**Jessie "Jess" Iman** was born in 1903;

**Arthur Noble Iman** was born in 1904, and died in 1946.

**Albert Jr. "Poley" Iman** was born in 1906, and died in 1968.

**Linda May Iman** was born in 1909 and died in 1910.

## GEORGE WASHINGTON IMAN

**George Washington Iman** was born in 1867 at the Cascades, Skamania County, WA Territory; he died in 1935, in Stevenson; and buried in the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson.

George Washington Iman, "George," b. 8 July 1867, at the Cascades, Skamania Co. Washington Territory; d. 9 April 1935, at Stevenson, of heart disease, aged 67. He is buried in the Iman Cemetery. He was a skilled woodsman and worked in the sawmills. In 1920 he lived with his brother, Albert, in Lewis Co., Washington working in the timber industry. After George retired he with his brother, John Iman, lived at Stevenson in the home of their sister, Mrs. Martha McKinnon.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 19 April 1935, obituary, George W. Iman, Born 1867, Passes Away at Home of His Sister, "George W. Iman, age 67 years 9 months, a pioneer of this community, passed away at the home of his sister Mrs. M. L. Bevans in Stevenson. He was born July 8th 1867 in the Upper Cascades, Washington Territory. He

is survived by four brothers, John, Albert, Lou and Charley and two sisters, Mrs. Flora Nix and Mrs. Bevans. Funeral services were held at the Hendry-Gardner Chapel last Thursday afternoon and burial was made in the Iman Cemetery on Rock Creek.”

George married Mrs. May (Mitchell) Freeman, on 14 July 1923, at Stevenson, the daughter of Frank Mitchell and Ann Fogery; b. about 1879, in Portland, Oregon. They divorced after a brief marriage and other than the information on the marriage certificate nothing is known about her.

George and May Iman had no children.

Memories of George Iman from EARLY DAYS AT THE CASCADES have been used by James Windsor in compiling the history of the Felix Grundy Iman family.

## **JAMES RILEY IMAN**

**James Riley Iman** was born in 1870 at the Cascades, Skamania County, WN Territory; died 1901 in Stevenson; and buried in the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson.

James Riley Iman, “James,” lived until he was about 30. He worked at the Iman sawmill, built scows and was a teamster. He lived at Stevenson.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 10 October 1901, “H. H. Eyman of Sherwood, Oregon visited his cousin James Iman who has been sick with dropsy for several months.”

Skamania County Bills of Sale, Bk. 1, p. 3, 16 December 1901, “In consideration of James R. Iman store account and the sum of \$15 paid me, we do hereby sell one light bay horse with a white face, branded on the hip C.A.S. to John Tolton, signed Mr s. James R. Iman and Charles N. Iman.”

James married Christina Nelson, 21 March 1894, at Stevenson; the daughter of John Nelson and Ina Tompson. Christine was born on February 4, 1877, in Norway; and died February 1, 1935, in Kelso, Cowlitz Co. Washington, of a ruptured appendix, aged 57. She is buried in the Iman Cemetery. A housewife. Her death certificate states that she had been a resident of the United States for fifty-two years.

**James and Christina Iman** had four children:

**Ethel Ina May Iman** was born in 1894 and died in 1972;

**Hazel Ray Iman** was born in 1896 and died in 1909;

**Severin Felix “Simon” Iman** was born in 1888;

**Infant Iman** was born bef. 1900-died bef. 1900.

At age 24 Christina became a widow with four children. She then married Albert Odum Iman, her husband’s brother. (See above information.)

## **ALFRED EDMUND IMAN**

**Alfred Edmunc Iman** was born in 1872 at the Cascades, Skamania County, WN Territory; died in 1895; buried in the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson.

## EMILY IMAN

**Emily Iman** was born about 1875 at the Cascades, Skamania County, WN Territory; she died in 1893 in Stevenson; and is buried in the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson. **Emily** married **Monroe Vallet** in 1891 in Skamania County. **Monroe** was born about 1875 at the Cascades, Skamania County, WN Territory; he died in 1893 in Stevenson; and is buried in the Iman Cemetery, Stevenson.

**Emily Iman** and **Monroe Vallet** had one child: **Myrtle Vallet**, who was born in 1893 and died in 1962.

## ANNIE LAURIE IMAN

**Annie Laurie Iman** was born about 1876 at the Cascades, Skamania County, WN Territory; died of cholera at the age of 3 in 1879. She is buried in the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson.

## CHARLES NATHANIEL IMAN

**Charles Nathaniel Iman** was born was born Aug. 12, 1877 at the Cascades, Skamania County, WN Territory. He died Jan. of 1936 of arteriosclerosis at the Eastern State Hospital, Medical Lake, Spokane Co., WA.

## JOSIAH MALCOM IMAN

**Josiah Malcom Iman** was born in 1881 at the Cascades, Skamania County, WN Territory; died in 1909 in Stevenson; and is buried in the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson.

Josiah Malcom was a late born son who died at 27. He was a farmer and lived at Stevenson. He was never married. He served as the administrator of his father's will and probate shortly before his death.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 21 January 1909, obituary, Josiah M. Iman, "Josiah M. Iman, youngest son of the late Felix G. Iman, died in this city Sunday morn at 4 o'clock, of pneumonia. Deceased was taken ill in Portland on the 5th instant and came home but continued to grow worse, though everything possible in the way of medical skill and tender nursing was done for him; nothing could stay the ravages of the disease. Josiah M. Iman was the youngest son of the well known old pioneer Felix G. Iman, and his estimable wife, and during his last sickness his old mother came to town from the family home to watch as his bedside and care for his wants. The young man was 27 years, 6 mos. and 20 days old at the time of his death. He was a native of the county and lived in around Stevenson all of his life. Thus he was cut off in his young manhood when his usefulness as a citizen was just beginning. The funeral was held at the church in Stevenson, the services being conducted by the Rev. Mr. Winey



and interment was in the family cemetery northwest of town. In spite of the drifts of snow underfoot and the torrents of rain pouring down the funeral was attended by a large concourse of sorrowing friends who came to pay this tribute of respect to the departed.”

Skamania County Probate Bk. 1, p. 167, 16 January 1909, Will of Josiah M. Iman: “. . . leaves his estate to his mother Margaret Iman, she to pay all his just debts and funeral expenses.”

## **CASSIUS MARCELLUS “SULLY” “CELLY” IMAN**

**Cassius Marcellus “Sully” “Celly” Iman** was born Sept. 7, 1852, at Shepard’s Point, Clark Co., OR Territory; died in 1910 at Stevenson; and is buried in the IOOF Cemetery, Stevenson.

“Sully” WILLIAMS was raised as an orphan in the Iman household.

Cassius Marcellus WILLIAMS, “Sully,” “Celly,” b. 7 September 1852, at Shepard’s Point, then in Clark Co. Oregon Territory; the son of John and Mary (Hervey) Williams; d. 1 September 1910, at Stevenson, Skamania Co. Washington, aged 57. He was buried in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery at Stevenson.

In the spring of 1852 the parents of Sully Williams, John and Mary Williams, with their five year old son Eddy, left Illinois for the Oregon Territory. They traveled on the Oregon Trail. On the trail, in Wyoming, John Williams became sick and within the day, died. After burying her husband, Mary continued on the trail and arrived at Shepard’s Point, then in Clark Co., Oregon Territory, on 22 August, 1852. About two weeks after her arrival she gave birth to Sully.

A week after the arrival of Mary Williams at Shepard’s Point, Roger Gerald Attwell also arrived at Shepard’s Point on 29 August 1852. Mr. Attwell took an interest in Mrs. Williams, and said, “It is not right for a woman to struggle alone here and with a child.” Six months later, in 1853, he married Mrs. Williams. Shortly afterward Roger and Mary Attwell took a donation land claim near the present day town of Cascade Locks, Wasco Co. Oregon, across the Columbia River from Stevenson.

Until 1865 Sully lived with his mother and stepfather, Roger Attwell. In that year his stepfather, Roger Attwell, went on a trip to Texas. And from Texas, Mr. Attwell wrote letters to his family, until one day the letters suddenly stopped and he was never heard from again. The family suspected that he had probably died in Texas. At the time Sully was about 13 years old. It was after the disappearance of his stepfather that Sully began to stay with the Iman family.

Living with the Imans, Sully loved to play with all the Iman children, and Margaret was always really sweet to him, and as all the Atwells had liked Felix very much, and since Sully’s mother was very stressed with her small children, the farm and the hotel which she had opened for business following her husband’s disappearance, it was all right with her if Sully stayed at the Imans, though it was painful to her, she had tried as much as any mother could, when Sully called Margaret “mother.”

In 1922 Margaret Iman was interviewed by Fred Lockley, a historian, and recalled her first meeting with Sully in late August 1852 when Margaret first arrived at the Bush

Hospital at Shepard's Point (now Stevenson, Washington) sick with "mountain fever." She was recovering from the fever at the Bush hospital, and ". . . while I lay sick in bed I heard the cries of an infant babe in some part of the building. I asked for it to be brought to me and my bidding was granted. I took it in my arms and tried to play with it, but was so weak and worn I could not. This was the first babe I had in my arms after landing at the Cascades in 1852. This little babe was C. M. Williams who was born at the Cascades, and who was a half-brother to J. F. and J. W. Attwell of Stevenson, Wash., and who was stopping at my house in later years when he died in Stevenson at the age of some sixty odd years. He always loved me as his mother. He rests in the little cemetery above Stevenson on the bank of the lordly Columbia."

After being raised to maturity by Felix and Margaret Iman, Sully moved to California, but as stated above by Margaret Iman, he died during a visit to Stevenson, and was buried in the Iman Cemetery.

Conrad "Tonny" Lundy, of Stevenson, remembers, "In the early 1940's there was a daughter of Sully Williams who put an advertisement in the LADIES HOME COMPANION hoping to find the Iman family who had taken care of her father as a child. It was my grandmother, Mrs. Louis Franklin Iman, who answered the advertisement and invited the daughter, who lived in Ohio, to visit Stevenson. Sully William's daughter did come to Stevenson, and she personally thanked the Imans for taking care of her father as a child."

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 1 September 1910, "Sully Williams expired on the street in front of States and Natsel's market Thursday afternoon. His death was due to heart failure by heavy drinking."

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 27 August 1976, Bicentennial Edition, First White Child in Skamania Choked to Death on Meat, by Jim Attwell. "Cassius Marcellus Williams came into the new world at Bradford's Landing, Upper Cascades, Washington Territory. Celly grew up to be a character and was practically disowned as a half-brother by Monty and John Attwell who were born a few years later. Celly grew up with the Indians, hunted for them, bringing in 33 deer one bad winter to help feed the local Indians. He killed quite a number of cougars, eating them, also. He was a noted ox team driver. It has been told that he would straighten out a lazy oxen by jumping on the back of a balky ox and walk down his back with his "cork" boots. After this the ox knew who was boss. Celly drank a lot and when crossed would fight anyone. In 1910 he walked in State's Butcher Shop in Stevenson for something to eat and asked for a hamburger. The shop was out of ground meat, so he purchased a steak and started eating it raw. He choked on it as he walked out the door and died there. He is buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery in an unmarked grave."

## **CHRISTOPHER COLUMBIA FIELDS**

**Christopher Columbia Fields** was born on Dec. 4, 1856 in Linn Co, Oregon Territory. He died in 1928 in Stevenson; and is buried in the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson.

**Christopher Columbus Fields** was raised by Felix and Margaret Iman and might

be considered an orphan. He live his life in Stevenson and is buried in the Iman cemetery at Rock Creek.

Christopher was probably the child of Levi and Nancy Fields, who lived in Skamania County at the time of the 1860 census with four children, including a C. C. Fields, aged 4, born in Oregon. Levi Fields and a John Fields, probably brothers, came from Ray Co. Missouri to the Oregon Territory in the fall of 1847. Levi claimed a donation land grant in Linn Co. Oregon in 1852, and on March 4, 1854, in Linn Co., he married Nancy --. **John Fields** also claimed a donation land grant in Linn Co. in 1853 or 1854.

It is not known why Christopher Fields, when he was about five years old, came to live with Felix and Margaret Iman, perhaps his parents had died. He was close to the Iman family all his life, and is buried in the Iman Cemetery. Christopher married Elizabeth Ahles.

SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER, 29 June 1928, obituary, Aged Pioneer Laid to Rest in Pioneer Cemetery, "Christopher Columbus Fields died last Monday and was buried Tuesday afternoon at the Iman Cemetery on Rock Creek west of Stevenson, Rev. J. W. Waltz officiating. Field was born December 4, 1856 in Linn Co. Oregon and came to Stevenson when a small lad and lived at the F. G. Iman home where he grew up to manhood. He is survived by a wife and one son, Eddie Fields, and a sister living at Kalama, Washington."

## **LOUIS FRANKLIN IMAN** **(son of Felix and Margaret Iman)**

**Louis Franklin Iman** married **Emily May "Nell" Eyman**. Louis was born in 1869 at the Cascades, Skamania County, WN Territory; died in 1947 at Stevenson; and is buried in the Iman Cemetery in Stevenson.

Louis (Lewis) Franklin Iman, "Lou", "Lew," is buried beside his wife in the Iman Cemetery.

"I worked on the fish wheels in the Columbia River. When I went to work on the fishwheels sturgeon were not considered food fish, as they are today. They used to get in the fish wheels, to our great annoyance. I have killed thousands of them. I usually hit them in the head with a sledgehammer and threw them back in the river. I saw one sturgeon that dressed 600 pounds. Later a man used to buy the sturgeon from us, paying 40 cents each if the sturgeon ran from four to eight feet long. I found out later that he sold the eggs at 5 cents a pound. They made what is called caviar from the eggs. I worked on the river or in sawmills for a good many years. Later I ran a saloon here. Its real name was the HEADQUARTERS SALOON, but everyone called it the RED LINE SALOON. I ran it for 12 years, and would have run it longer, but the people in Washington voted saloons out, so I had to quit."

In 1893 Lou bought part of the Iman donation land claim, for farming, from his father. This part of the claim also included the graves of Merry, Ellen and Nora Iman, which later became the Iman Cemetery.

In the 1920's he worked on the construction of the Cascade Locks. He said every day he would walk down to the river, row across, and work for ten hours at ten cents an hour. Lou could also play the violin and often played at dances. He used to joke, saying his violin had been made by Stradivarius. He was a lifetime member of the Eagles Lodge, and was married to Emily for 56 years. They lived at Stevenson. He was said to look exactly like his father. Ruth Shawcross said, "if you looked at Lou it was exactly like looking at Felix."

An ox-yoke handmade about 1890 by Louis Iman is on display at the Skamania County Historical Society Interpretative Center at Stevenson.

*SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER*, 3 October 1947, obituary, Lewis F. Iman, County native, Called by Death, "Hundreds of friends paid last respects Wednesday to the memory of Lewis F. Iman, 78 years old, and a lifelong resident of Stevenson. Funeral services were held from the Eagles Hall at which Rev. Mosley of Carson officiated. Interment was in the Iman Cemetery, west of Stevenson. Death came to the well-known native soon after a short illness. While advanced age had kept him inactive for several years, he never lost interest in local affairs and frequently visited with nearby friends. Since the death of his wife, Mrs. Emily May Iman, two years ago this September, he had continued to occupy the old family home. He possessed a remarkable memory of persons and events which had transpired during his long life in the community which he had seen grow from an Indian trading post to communities embracing several towns on both sides of the Columbia River. Mr. Iman was born in Stevenson on March 4, 1869. His parents were the late Felix G. and Margaret Iman, who were among the first settlers in this area. He vividly remembered the days of Indian uprisings when the family resided a short distance west of the present town limits and a block house, erected for community defense, was located less than a mile away. He was a lifetime member of the Stevenson Eagles Lodge No. 1744 and several years ago with his wife was guest of honor at a Golden Wedding Anniversary attended by scores of relatives and friends. At that time they were the oldest married couple in Skamania County. Mrs. And Mrs. Iman were the parents of eight children. He leaves to mourn his loss two daughters and one son, Mrs. Frae Reno, Mrs. Edith McCafferty, and E. B. Iman, all of Stevenson. Also two sisters and one brother, several grandchildren and one great grandchild. Gardners had charge of the service."

Married: Emily May Eyman, on 1 January 1889, at Stevenson; the daughter of Louis Eyman and Harriet Caroline Kidd Eyman; b. 4 September 1872, at Waterloo, Monroe Co. Illinois; d. 13 September 1945, "after a long illness," at the Bonneville Sanitarium, North Bonneville, Skamania Co. Washington, aged 73. She is buried beside her husband in the Iman Cemetery. In later years she was known as Grannie May. "After our wedding dance we took to the trail, and walked over to a 'black and tan' dance. I call it that because there were so many Indians and half-breeds there." (Louis Iman.)

Louis Iman and Emily May Eyman were first cousins, her father, Louis Eyman, being a brother of Felix Grundy Iman. Louis and Harriet Kidd Eyman, her parents, had come from Monroe Co. Illinois to Stevenson in 1884. In 1888 they moved to Carson about five miles east of Stevenson. For legal expedience the surnames were spelled Eyman and Iman. Jack Moore, a great grandson of Flora Iman Foster, said the names

were spelled differently because Louis Eyman and Felix Iman had quarreled.

**SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER**, 5 January 1934, Forty-fifth Wedding Anniversary January 1, "Mr. and Mrs. Louis Iman were married 45 years ago. Mrs. Iman reminisces that there were but 3 or 4 families living at Stevenson then, and no county roads, no bridges, travel was on the river. They walked from their home to a dance at Carson (then on the river) to celebrate their wedding. Now have seen roads, autos, airplanes, electric light, etc. come to Stevenson."

Lou and Emily Iman had eight children:

1. Frank Iman (1889-1889),
2. Nellie "Nell" Iman (1890-1894),
3. Emily Frae "Emma" (1893-1962),
4. Elma V. Iman (1896-1924),
5. Edith Alice Iman (1901-1987),
6. William Earl Burton "Bill" Iman (1905-1981),
7. Robert Hahn "Little Pinky" and (1907-1916) and
8. Louis Felix "Mike" iman (1910-1931).

Skamania County Civil Court, Case 65, Bk. 1, p. 23, 4 September 1895, Felix Iman Indebted to Louis F. Iman, \$451.93: "Failure to furnish 3,000 cords of lumber, to be cut from trees on south side of the F. G. Iman donation land claim, for use in building a flume on the south side of the F. G. Iman claim, from a small creek known as Sardine Lake Creek to the Columbia River. Said flume to be used for transport of lumber to J. G. and I. N. Day at Cascade Locks, Oregon.

Felix Iman claims interest in above said partnership sold to Alfred Iman, and Alfred Iman responsible for claims of L. F. Iman."

Louis Iman sued his father Felix Iman over a breach of contract regarding logging of the Iman donation land claim. A business failure which resulted in much bitterness between son and father. A few months later Louis testified in court, "I have had considerable trouble with my father . . . and we do not speak to each other."

In 1895, with the Iman saw mill in operation, the Iman donation land claim was heavily logged. In that year business agreements for the lumber, sold for large amounts of money, involved Felix Iman in five court cases in Skamania Co., including the one with his son Louis. The troubles within these lawsuits involved the fears Felix had of losing control over his donation land claim, he mistrusted and perhaps was even jealous of the deals his ambitious son had been making for him with the logging companies. Not trusting his son, in 1896 Felix signed his own contract for lumber with the above J. G. Day, Jr. Lumber Company.

Memories of Louis Iman from TOLD BY THE PIONEERS, Volume 3, and the interviews of Louis Iman, by Fred Lockley for the OREGONIAN were used in compiling the history of the Felix Grundy Iman family by James Windsor.

**Emily "Nell"** was born in Waterloo, Monroe Co., IL; died in 1945 at the Bonneville Sanitarium in North Bonneville, Skamania County, WA. **SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER**, 14 September 1945, obituary, Mrs. May Iman Passes Away after

Illness, “Mrs. May Iman, wife of Louis Iman, Stevenson pioneer, passed away at the Bonneville Sanitarium Wednesday evening after a long illness. She had been in the Sanitarium for several months where she had been visited by many relatives and old time friends during her stay there. She was 73 years old. According to her brother, Forrest Eyman, she had been a resident of Stevenson since she was 12 years old, coming here in 1884. She was the oldest girl in a large family, a daughter-in-law of Louis Eyman, who was among the first to land at what was then known as Shepard’s Point, the name of the present site of Stevenson. She became the wife of Louis Iman on January 1, 1889 and the couple celebrated their golden wedding with a community party which was held at the Eagles Hall in 1939. Surviving members of the family include: husband Louis Iman, 3 children, Mrs. Emma Frae Reno, Mrs. Edith Alice McCafferty and William Iman; a brother Forest Iman, two sisters, Mrs. Henry Fuller, Carson and Mrs. Fred Foster, Portland; grandchildren, Mrs. Elva Lundy Stewart, of Rydercraft, CA., S/Sgt. Conrad Lundy, Jr., 981st Ambulance Co. U. S. Army, Edith Ainsworth Holien of Farragut, Idaho; George Ainsworth, California; Shirley May Iman, Gary Iman, Dwane Iman, and one great grandchild, Michael Holien. Funeral Services will be conducted from the Eagles Hall in Stevenson at 2 p. m. Sunday. The Eagles Auxiliary will have charge. Arrangements by Gardner.”

**Emily Fraw “Emma” Iman** was born in 1893 and died in 1962. “Emma married Conrad Lundy, Sr.

## Iman/Eyman Family Notes

*Source: www.imanfamily.net*

Imans were early pioneers in Washington State and settled what came to be the county seat (Stevenson) of Skamania County.

### **Felix Grundy and Margaret Windsor Iman**

#### **Children of Felix Grundy and Margaret (Windsor) Iman:**

1. Theodore Columbus, b. 23 Aug 1854, Cascade Locks, Wasco Co., Oregon; d. 19 March 1927 at Stevenson, Washington, aged 72; buried in the Iman Cemetery. A mail carrier and carpenter, he lived in Stevenson. A family tradition, Theodore was the first white child born in Wasco County.  
Married:
  1. Emma Kyle on 21 April 1878; dau. of Joseph and Emma (Holmaker, Haymaker) Kyler; b. 12 Aug. 1864, Sarpy Co., Nebraska; d. 11 July 1900, Stevenson, aged 35. Buried in Iman Cemetery. Children: Jeremia "Jerry," Ida M., Elmer B., and Francis E. Iman.
  2. Mary Anna "Marie" Kirchner, on 9 September, 1901, at Stevenson; b. about 1858, Canada; d. after 1920
  3. Mrs. (Emma) Rosier
2. Flora Adella, b. 24 March, 1856, at Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co., Washington Territory; d. 28 March, 1949, at Stevenson, Washington, aged 93. Buried I.O.O.F Cemetery, Stevenson; A family tradition, Flora was the first white child born in Skamania Co. Married:
  1. Charles Morgan, on 7 November, 1873, Portland, Oregon; b. 1844, Norway; Sailor. He served in the Civil War. Charles and Flora lived in Stevenson in the 1880 census. Later divorced. No children.
  2. Ira Issac Foster "Ike," son of Fenner and Julia Ann (Babbit) Foster; b. 7 November 1858k Tootsboro Co., Iowa; d. 5 May 1919, Stevenson, aged 60; buried Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Skamania County. He came with his parents to Nebraska in 1869 and to Portland, Oregon in 1870. He was in the logging and wood business. Later, with his brother Monta Foster, in the scow business between Cascade Locks and The Dalles. After that ran a jittney business in Stevenson. Lived in Stevenson. Children: Pearl A., Ruby Margaret, Lenna I., Ira D., Leana "Lena," Vernon "Fenner" Foster, Hattie M. Foster, and an infant died young.
  3. Jefferson Davis Nix; b April 1862, Texas; d. 28 September 1945, age 83; buried in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Stevenson. A farmer, he lived at Stevenson. No children
4. Mary "Merry" Elizabeth, b. about 1857 at Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co., Washington; d. before 1870; buried in the Iman Cemetery.
5. Martha Luchada, b. March 1861, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co., Washington; d.

17 December 1948, Stevenson, Washington. Married:

1. Malcolm McKinnon, about 1880; b. June 1851, New York; d. 19 August 1921, at Stevenson of a heart attack, aged 70; buried in the Iman Cemetery. A carpenter and shoemaker, lived in Wasco Co., Oregon, and at Stevenson for 40 years Children: ??, Burton, Otis, Georgia and Morris McKinnon.
2. Oscar Bevans, after 1921; son of William and Samantha (Walton) Bevans; b. May 1875, Des Moines, Iowa; d. 6 January 1942, Skamania Co.; resided with his parents in Des Moines, Iowa. Parents then moved to Medicine Lodge, Barbour Co., Kansas, in 1880 and Stevenson in 1889. Laborer, lived in Stevenson. No children.
6. Rosalia Almeda "Rosa," b. September 1862, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Stevenson; d. before 1931. Buried in Satsop, Washington. Married:
  1. Daniel Jones, about 1890; b. June 1862, Wisconsin. A blacksmith, lived at Tacoma, Pierce Co, Washington, and Satsop, Grays Harbor Co., Washington. Children: Donnie, Ella, Nellie, Eva, Rosa, and Daniel J. Jones.
  2. Si Townsend. Children: Frank Townsend.
7. John William, b. 3 April 1864, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co., Washington; d. 1 February 1938, Stevenson, aged 83; buried in the Iman Cemetery. A saloon keeper and mill filer for a logging company, lived at Stevenson. Married Martha Waldon. They divorced.
8. Albert Odum, b. September 1866, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co., Washington; d. 31 December 1852, Raymond, Washington. Worked in a saw mill, lived Stevenson and at Raymond, Washington. Married:
  1. Christina Nelson about 1902; dau. of John and Ina (Thompson) Nelson. Christina had married 1) James Riley Iman, a brother of Albert Odum Iman (see James Rilay Iman.) Children: Jessie, Arthur, Albert Iman, and an infant died young.
9. George Washington, b. 8 Jly 1867, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co., Washington; d. 9 April 1935, Skamania Co., Washington, aged 67; buried in the Iman Cemetery. Worked in a saw mill. Lived at Stevenson. Married:
  1. May Freeman.
10. Louis Franklin, b. 4 March 1869, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co., Washington; d. 27 September 1947, Stevenson, aged 78; buried in the Iman Cemetery. A farmer and liquor dealer, lived at Stevenson. Married:
  1. Emily May Eyman, a cousin, in 1889 at Stevenson; dau. of Louis and Harriet Caroline (Kidd) Eyman; b. 4 September 1872 in Monroe Co., Illinois; d. 13 September 1945 at Stevenson; buried in the Iman Cemetery. Eight children: Emily F., Elma V., Robert Hon "Pink," Eith, William "Earl" B., Nell, Frank, Louis Felix "Mike" Iman.
11. James Riley, b. October 1871, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co., Washington; d. 1901, probably at Stevenson; buried in the Iman Cemetery. A teamster. Married:
  1. Christina Nelson, 27 March 1894 at Stevenson; dau. of John and Ina (Thompson) Nelson; b. 4 February 1877, Norway; d. 1 February 1935, at Stevenson; buried Iman Cemetery. A housewife. Children: Ethel, Hazel Kay, Simeon Iman, and an infant died



young. Christina married 2) Albert Odum Iman, a brother of James Riley Iman. (See Albert Odum Iman.)

12. Alfred Edmund, b. 12 May 1872, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co., Washington; d. 13 March 1895, Stevenson, aged 23; buried Iman Cemetery. Never married.
13. Emily Cordelia, b. about 1875, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co., Washington; d. circa 1896, Stevenson; buried Iman Cemetery. Married:
  1. Monroe Vallett, 1892, Skamania Co.; b. 19 November 1864, Illinois; d. 17 Sept., Skamania Co., aged 67; buried in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Stevenson. A carpenter and farmer, he lived at Stevenson. Child: Myrtle Vallett.
14. Annie Laurie, b. about 1876, probably Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co., Washington; d. November 1879, Stevenson; buried in the Iman Cemetery.
15. Charles Nathaniel "Charly," b. 12 August 1877, Rock Creek, Upper Cascades, Skamania Co., Washington; d. 6. January 1936, Spokane, Washington, aged 58; buried in the Iman Cemetery. Carpenter at a sawmill. He lived with his mother at Stevenson, never married.
16. Josia Malcom, b 28 June 1880; d. 17 January 1909, Stevenson, of pneumonia; buried in Iman Cemetery. A farmer, never married.
17. Christopher Columbus Fields, b 4 January 1856; d. 25 June 1928 at Stevenson; buried Iman Cemetery. He was an orphan raised by Felix and Margaret Iman.
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**Following are news stories, obituaries, etc.  
Of Descendants of Felix Grundy and Margaet Windsor Iman**

Skamania County Pioneer, July 24, 1902

## Felix Iman Dead

By Thomas Harlau, a Pioneer

On July 1717, at 2:30 p.m., Felix Iman, who had taken a donation claim on Rock Creek in 1852, died. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon at the residency, the remains being interned in the family burying ground. The obsequies were conducted by Rev. F. H. Walker, of the Locks.

Although Felix Iman belonged to a generation that has passed, he will be truly mourned as a friend lost. Mr. Iman raised a large family of boys and girls, who themselves have married children. He also leaves widow near his own age. His old-time hospitality was of that kind that followed the frontier from Cumberland Gap to the waters of the Pacific, and has blessed thousands of weary and foot sore emigrants on the road to their new homes in the valleys of the Mississippi and across the plains.

No stranger passed Felix Iman's cabin in hungry. They received the best he had, sweetened with a welcome, which to a real man is the greater consideration. He was filled with charity and good deeds to his neighbors and all men were his neighbors when he could do them a kindness. He belonged to that set of men that include Amos Underwood, Dr. Leavens, James

Walker and the Hamiltons. No grander man lived than the pioneers. No greater epitaph could be chiseled upon stone than that "He was a pioneer."

Felix Iman lived to see nearly all his contemporaries cross the mystic river whence he has gone to meet them, if it be true that when "the silver cord is loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the foundation, or the wheel at the cistern," that the spirit goes to God when gave in, as the Bible so eloquently says.

A month ago Mr. Iman's children and grandchildren brought him to the boat landing to see him go to Portland to the hospital. It was pathetic to see the young people part with their patriarchal father, whom all knew was rapidly nearing the end. His every appearance, his subdued expression, the softness and mellowness of his voice was a prelude to the shadows of the falling night, and reminded one of that passage in Scriptures which reads something like this: "And I looked and beheld a pale horse, and his name that sat upon him was Death." However this scene at the boat landing was not distressing. It spoke only of a quiet sunset at the close of a peaceful life. It was the glimmering twilight of a passed day, and only in the sense of having flown.

Skamania County Pioneer, Aug. 1, 1924

## Pioneer Resident Called

Margaret W. Iman died in Stevenson Monday, July 28, aged 90 years, 4 months and six days. She was born in Tippecanoe county, Indiana, in 1834. In the fall of 1851 she married Felix G. Iman and in the spring of 1852 they crossed the plains from the state of Missouri with ox team, stopping in Skamania county, where she had made her home continuously since.

The sons now living are T. C. Iman of Napavine, Wash., John W. Iman, Albert O. Iman, George W. Iman. Louis Iman and Chas. Iman of Stevenson; the daughter are Mrs. Rose A. Jones of Satsop, Wash., Mrs. Flora A. Foster and Mrs. M. L. MacKinnon of Stevenson. Thirty-five grandchildren and 50 great grandchildren survive the deceased.

Interment was held Wednesday. At her request the funeral services were held at the family cemetery under a huge spreading tree. Rev. Lawrence officiating.

## Gladys Berthaumm Passes; Was Daughter of Pioneers

Gladys Royce Berthaumm of Stevenson, daughter of pioneers and a life long resident of Skamania County, died, Friday, February 10 at a Hood River hospital after suffering a massive heart attack. She was 67.

She had been in ill health for several years and during past months had been treated for a heart condition. When she was stricken, she was rushed to the hospital but succumbed a few hours later.

Mrs. Berthaumm was born in Stevenson December 6, 1916, the daughter of Amos and Myrtle Vallett Royce. Amos Royce had come west from Indiana as a young man.

Mrs. Berthaumm's mother, Myrtle, was the daughter of Monroe and Emma Iman Vallet. Myrtle had been raised by her grandparents, Felix and Margaret Windsor Iman, following the death of her mother.

Margaret Windsor Iman had come west by covered wagon as a young girl in the early 1850s and married Felix Iman. They witnessed the bloody events of the Indian uprising of 1856, familiarly known as the Fort Rains Massacre.

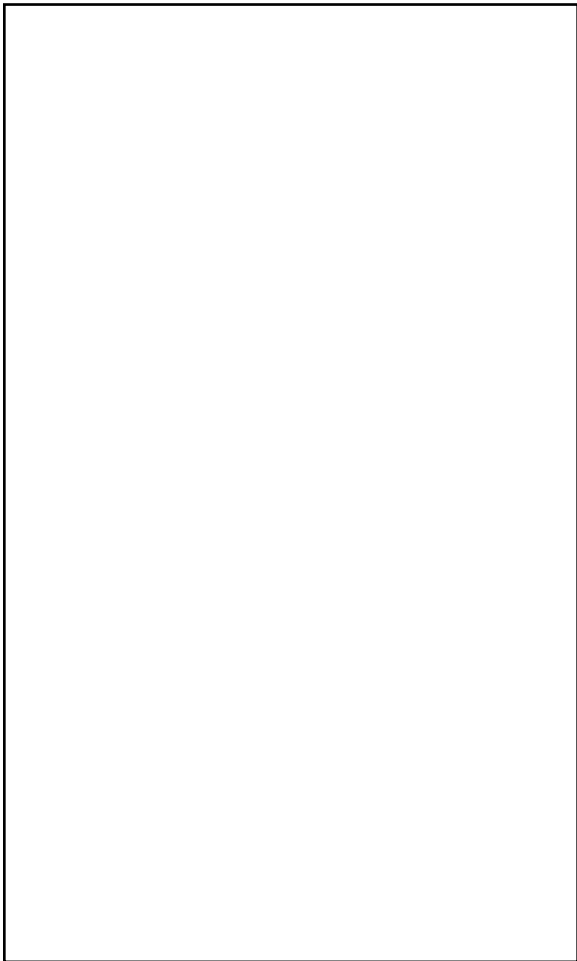
Through the years the Iman family has been closely identified with the history of the Columbia River Gorge.

Gladys Royce grew up in Stevenson and was married to Neil Manning in 1932. The couple had two sons. Mr. Manning died in 1938 and Gladys worked hard to support her boys. In 1941 she was married to Willis Berthaumm and two daughters were born to this union, Willis died in 1963.

During World War II Mr. Berthaumm served with the U. S. Army and Gladys lived for a short time at Tillamook, Oregon, but this was the only period of her life spent outside Skamania County.

She was a hard worker and an affectionate mother and grandmother. Besides raising her children she took care of her invalid parents. At her home on Ryan-Allen road she raised a huge garden. In the early 50's she raised 300 to 400 chickens and sold eggs.

Her husband, Willis Berthaumm, was an avid hunter and fisherman and Gladys enjoyed distributing food and game to less fortunate neighbors She was an accomplished seamstress and enjoyed making clothes for people in need.



**Gladys Berthaumm,  
(circa 1957)**

She was also an excellent cook and at various times cooked at lumber camps in the area.

Mrs. Berthaumm was an early member of the Stevenson Grange. She was a member of the Faith Tabernacle Church and, with three of her grandchildren, was baptized in the Columbia River nine years ago.

Mrs. Berthaumm is survived by two sons, Neil Royce Manning of Pullman, Washington, and Arlen Manning of Stevenson; two daughter Sally (Mrs. Joel) Olson of Stevenson, and Carol (Mrs. Oscar) Larson of Okanogan, Washington; a brother, Herschel Royse of Dodson, Oregon; and a sister, Emma (Mrs. George) Jensen of Stevenson. There are eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 4 at Gardner's Chapel in Stevenson with Pastor Earl Matson officiating. Luella Rehfuss was organist and Cheryl Adams soloist.

Casket bearers were Joel Olson, Herschel Royse, Bill Jensen, Richard Clucas, Oscar Clucas and Bill Bettis. Honorary bearers were Henry Busby, Clinton and Charles Lamb, George Jensen, and Conrad Lundy, Jr.

Interment followed at the pioneer Iman Cemetery in Stevenson.

## Mickey McCafferty, County Pioneer, Passes in Stevenson

**By Roy Craft**

When Rudolph H. "Mickey" McCafferty died suddenly February 15, at the age of 85, Skamania County lost one of its most colorful and interesting personalities, a "character" out of the old school.

Mickey was always good for a friendly smile and a waggish story of earlier days and over the years played his own part in the development of Stevenson and the mid-Columbia area.

Although he didn't talk much about his service in World War I, Mickey had served aboard the battleship U.S. South Dakota and had made numerous trips across the Atlantic conveying troops of the American Expeditionary Force.

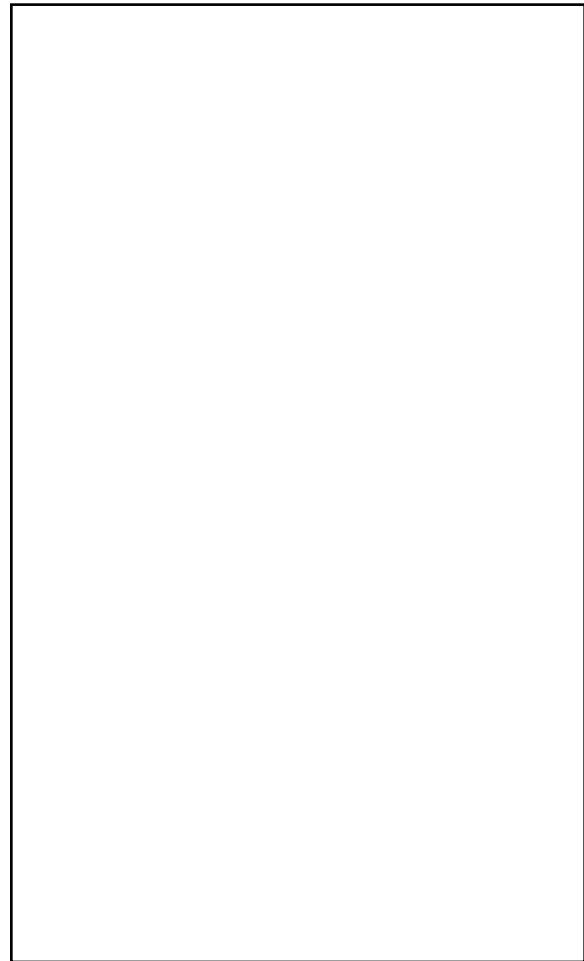
His personal life was centered on a happy marriage that lasted over six decades. It was on St. Valentine's Day, February 14, the day before he succumbed, that Mickey and his wife Edith celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary at a quiet family gathering at the home of their nephew and niece, Ray and Beverly MacKinnon.

Mickey was born in Hood River, Oregon, April 25, 1897, the son of Samuel and Clara Wrage McCafferty. When he was 11 years old the family moved to Stevenson and this was to be his home for the rest of his life, except for absences during (missing)

young man and on April 12, 1917, enlisted in the U.S. Navy, where he served on the South Dakota. He was discharged June 11, 1919, with the rank of Seaman 2nd Class.

Rudolph H. McCafferty and Edith Iman were married February 14, 1920, in Stevenson. Edith was the daughter of L. F. and May Iman of the pioneer Iman family. The ceremony was performed by Justice of the Peace W. A. Arnold. Witnesses were Conrad Lundy and Mrs. Arnold.

The couple lived in many locations throughout the United States before settling down in Stevenson. Mickey's vocation was core drilling for construction projects (with diamond-tipped drills) and he worked on the original Bonneville Dam, the San Gabriel



**MICKEY McCAFFERTY**, one-time logger, WWI Navy veteran, core driller and businessman, is seen in a characteristic posture in this picture which was featured as the "happy photo of the year" in the Pioneer's Dec. 31, 1976 edition. In his pocket is the notebook in which he kept careful records. He is holding his favorite rifle and behind him is evidence of many successful hunts in the Skamania back-country. Mickey died suddenly February 15 at his home on Rock Creek above Stevenson.

(Ed McLarney Photo)

Dam in California and the Chicamonga Dam (a TVA project) in Tennessee. In 1936 the McCaffertys were in New York where Mickey worked on the East River tunnel.

After returning west, the McCaffertys owned several taverns, including the K&M in Rockaway, Oregon, near Tillamook; the Roosevelt in North Bonneville; and the Club Tavern in Stevenson, which they owned in partnership with Wayne Mann, and which they later sold to Edith's brother, the late Bill Iman.

Mickey also managed the (Missing type) place in town where young people could congregate. It was first located in the east end of the Foster Building which houses the present Union 76 Garage, (*Stevenson Dental, 2013*) and later was located in a building on the site of the present Save-Way Store (*Windermere Real Estate, 2013*).

Mickey was athletic and played baseball on the Stevenson town team. He also enjoyed coaching youth's teams. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and enjoyed the back country.

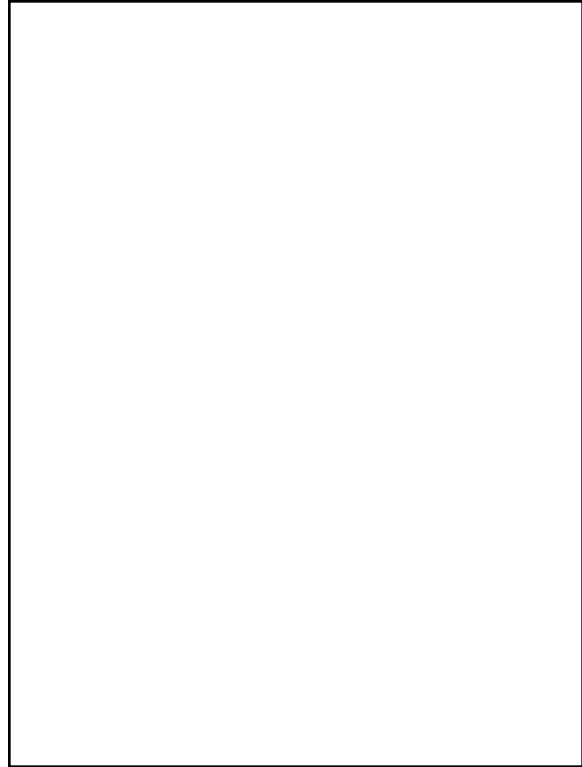
Mickey was a meticulous record keeper and always had a notebook in his pocket. When he was given a rain gauge some years ago he began recording precipitation and temperature and was the official "weather watcher" for the Skamania County Pioneer. He arose each morning at 4 o'clock for the early reading and planned his day to check the rain gauge at 4 o'clock each afternoon. His temperature readings were in Fahrenheit and he spurned any reference to Celsius.

When camping in the mountains during deer and elk seasons, he had his rain gauge and thermometer along and maintained his schedule. There were some autumn months when his totals were a mixture of reports from his home on Rock Creek above Stevenson and a hunting camp at 3670, Falls Creek or Upper Mouse Creek.

To augment his income in recent years Mickey collected aluminum cans, glass and cardboard for recycling. He also saved old newspapers for the Lions Club drive. He maintained a careful record of pickups at the homes of friends and business places always on a precise schedule, and carefully counted the items.

His records at the time of his death revealed that he had on hand 759 aluminum cans in one group of bags, and 706 in another; and 35 pounds of aluminum printing plates picked up at the Pioneer, among other items.

He liked to keep track of everything and when his nephew, Ray MacKinnon, built a home near that of McCaffertys above the First Rock Creek Falls, Mickey carefully tabulated the bricks used in the fireplace. He also recorded the day the carpeting was



**EDITH and Mickey McCafferty are seen in this family snapshot taken on St. Valentine's Day, February 14, when they observed their 63rd wedding anniversary at the home of their nephew and niece Ray and Beverly MacKinnon. The McCaffertys were married in Stevenson in 1920.**

laid in the MacKinnon home and the fact he had been the first to step on it.

He had enjoyed good health until he was stricken at his home February 15, and apparently died instantly.

Among those who responded to word of Mickey's death was a half-brother, Charles "Chuck" Mason of Goldendale. He is the son of Mickey's mother Clara and Charles R. Mason, whom Clara had married following the death of Mickey's father, Sam McCafferty.

Besides his wife Edith and his half-brother, Charles Mason, Mr. McCafferty is survived by his nephew Raymond MacKinnon, son of Mickey's sister Mina McCafferty and Maurice MacKinnon; and his grandnephew and nieces, Scott, Debbie and Kari MacKinnon.

He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephew's on his wife Edith's side of the family. They include Conrad Lundy Jr. and Elva Stewart, children of Edith's sister, Frae and Conrad Lundy Sr.; and Shirley (Mrs. Earl) Ferguson of Carson, Sherry (Mrs. Mike) Ellenberger of Kelso; Duane Iman of Hood River, and Gary Iman of The Dalles, children of Edith's brother Bill Iman. There are numerous grandnieces and nephews.

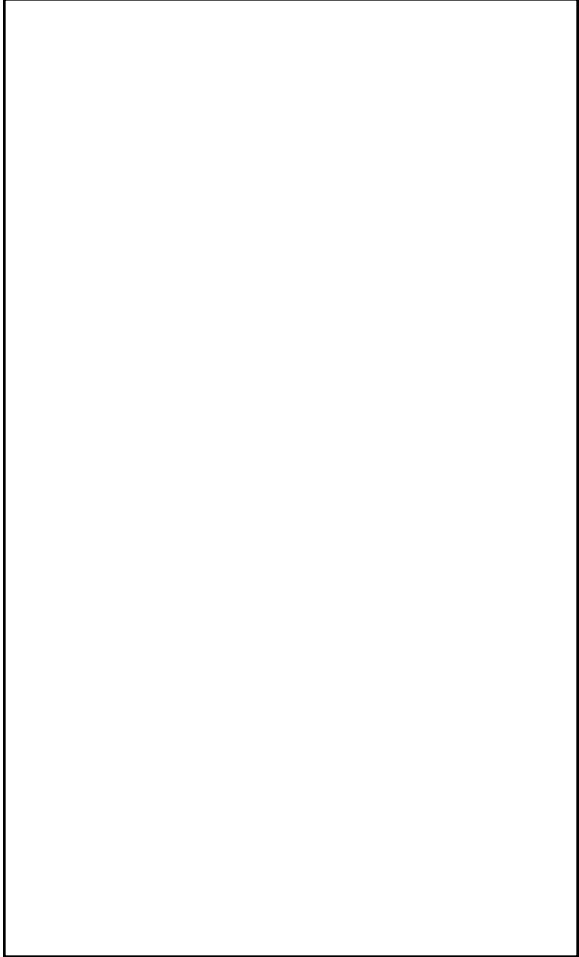
A great-nephew on the Iman side is Michael Holein of Spokane, son of Edith's niece, the late Edith "Petey" Holein. Edith Holein was the daughter of Edith McCafferty's sister, Elma Iman, who married George Ainsworth.

Mr. McCafferty was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Gilbertsville, Kentucky; the Veterans of Foreign Wars; and the Veterans of World War I.

Funeral services were held at Gardner's Chapel in Stevenson Saturday, February 19 with the Rev. Carol Davies officiating. Organist was Luella Rehfuss Casket bearers were Dick Lawton, Stan Meyer, Bill Nelson, Fred Cloe Sr., Willard Clucas, and Dick Clucas.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Don Leer Scholarship Fund, Stevenson High School.

Gardner's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



**A YOUNG Mickey McCafferty is seen in U. S. Navy uniform during World War I. He served aboard the battleship U.S.S. South Dakota and made numerous Atlantic crossings. He was married after the war and the McCaffertys lived in various parts of the U.S. before settling down in Stevenson.**



SKAMANIA COUNTY PIONEER

## Edith McCafferty, Native of Stevenson, Passes at 85

Funeral services were held Tuesday for Edith McCafferty, native of Stevenson and daughter of Skamania County pioneers, who died in Hood River Care Center Friday, June 12, 1987 at the age of 85.

Mrs. McCafferty and her husband, Rudolph H. "Mickey" McCafferty, had observed their 63rd wedding anniversary on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, 1983, the day before he died suddenly.

She was born May 11, 1901 in Stevenson, the daughter of L. F. and May Iman, early Columbia Gorge settlers who survived the Indian uprising of 1856, familiarly known as the Fort Rains Massacre.

Mrs. McCafferty is survived for four nephews, Raymond MacKinnon, Gary Iman, Duane Iman, and Conrad "Tonnie" Lundy; and three nieces, Shirley Ferguson, Sherry Ellenberger, and Elva Stewart.

Services were held Tuesday, June 16 at Gardner's Chapel in Stevenson with the Rev. Robert Bilanski officiating. Interment followed at the pioneer Iman cemetery near Stevenson.

Memorial contributions to the Don Leer Scholarship fund, care of Marion Crews, Stevenson, are suggested.

## Pioneers Rest in Old Cemetery in Stevenson

**By Roxinne Ervasti, Columbian Staff Writer**

STEVENSON — Just northwest of here, still carefully attended, is what is probably the largest private cemetery in Skamania County, if not the only one.

Edith McCafferty, who lives just across the road from it, looks forward to the spring of the year when she can plant flowers, mow the grass, and gaze at the pink-blossomed black haw tree.

A few hundred feet away, Rock Creek flows, and she likes to sit on a small bench, watching the water splashing down the 30-foot falls.

When Mrs. McCafferty visits the cemetery, she thinks back to a hardy people, coming west in covered wagons, enduring an Indian massacre, and struggling with the birth of 16 pioneer children over the years.

The cemetery is know here as the “Iman Cemetery.” In it are 48 members of the Iman family, part of the clan either through blood or marriage.

Mrs. McCafferty was an Iman girl, and the 48 people there are “hers.”

The cemetery is located on land that was originally known as the Felix Grundy Iman donation claim, back in the 1880s, when Mrs. McCafferty’s grandfather settled there.

Edith, one of eight grandchildren presented to Felix by his son Lou, now lives on the homestead place where she was born. Now 68, Edith, with help from her husband Rudolph (Mickey), and a few relatives still in the area, is maintaining the cemetery, just across the road from her home.

The Iman family story is a little sketchy to Edith, who remembers only bits and pieces of conversation her mother, grandmother and other relatives had around the fireplace when she was still a youngster. “I wish I would’ve listened more closely,” Edith says of those conversations. “But I was just a child, and most children don’t concern themselves with that sort of a thing. I guess you just don’t realize until it’s too late that those people aren’t going to be around forever,” she said.

There was no journal kept by the family. But Edith does know some of the history of her ancestors, even if she can’t remember the individual stories her grandparents used to tell. Her grandmother was born Margaret Windsor, in the 1840s in Indiana, and came West as a young girl without her family.

The young pioneer took care of a baby whose mother had died during the six-month trip by oxen to The Dalles, Oregon. The pioneers landed in The Dalles in 1852, and sailed by raft down the Columbia River to what is now Stevenson. Young Margaret survived the yellow fever, that she had contracted at her new pioneer home, and eventually married Felix Iman. Iman operated a saloon in the early Stevenson settling, and later was a partner in a steamship that sailed up and down the Columbia.

When the massacre occurred in 1856, Margaret was ill with a new born child, one of 16 children she eventually had. The first child buried in the Iman Cemetery was baby Frank Iman, who died in 1889. Another of the eight children born to the marriage, Nell, was buried in 1894, when she died at the age of four years.

Edith’s grandmother, the real pioneer of the family, died in 1924, at the age of 90

years. Of the original eight children, Edith, and a brother, Bill Iman, who still lives in Stevenson, survive.

Edith and her husband have 23 acres of the original 300 and some acres of the Iman donation land claim. Most of it was parceled off in lots and sold, she said. Edith would like to purchase headstones for the graves of her grandparents.

“I think my grandmother really deserves it. She had 16 children, you know, and went through quite a bit for a woman,” she said.

Her brothers and sisters, and parents have stones, but the other graves are acknowledged by simple markers.

In the spring of the year, after Edith and her husband, and a nephew have completed mowing the grass, Edith likes to decorate the graves with flowers, and sometimes puts small flags over all the graves.

“My husband tells me only the war veterans should have the flags, but I like the flags,” she maintains.

## Edith Holien Passes at 65; Was Pioneer Family Member

Funeral services were held in Spokane in Spokane Tuesday, March 30 for Edith M. Holien, a member of the pioneer Iman family and a native of Stevenson, who died March 26, 1982 after a short illness. She was 65.

Throughout her life Mrs. Holien was affectionately known as "Petie," a nickname given her by her grandmother May (Mrs Louis) Iman.

Mrs. Holien was born in Stevenson December 17, 1916, the daughter of George and Elma Iman Ainsworth. Her mother was a sister of Edith (Mrs. Mickey) McCafferty, the late Frae Lundy Reno and the late Bill Iman.

Mrs. Holien's mother died when "Petie" was a girl of seven and for several years she made her home with her aunt Frae, then Mrs. Lundy, and her cousins Elva Lundy (now Elva Stewart) and Conrad Lundy Jr., who had been nicknamed "Tonnie" by grandmother May Iman.

Mrs. Holien attended Stevenson Elementary School and graduated from Stevenson High School. During construction of the Grand Coulee Dam she worked as a telephone operator in Eastern Washington.

Edith Ainsworth and Howard L. Holien were married shortly after World War II. Her husband was circulation director of the Spokane Spokesman-Review, a daily newspaper and other Cowley Publishing Co. publications.

Following her husband's death, Mrs. Holien returned to Stevenson and made her home here for 10 years. She had been living at Mead, north of Spokane, since 1977.

She is survived by a son, Mick of Spokane, two grandchildren, Christopher Michael and Stephanie Dawn Holien; a brother, George Ainsworth of Chicago; and two step-sisters, Edith Leonard of Carson, and Marvel Watson of Oregon.

Graveside rites were held at the Holy Cross Cemetery in Spokane and she was buried beside her husband.

Honorary casket bearers included Conrad Lundy Jr. of Stevenson, and Dennis Kalhar and Jim Osmun of Spokane.

## Emma Jensen Services Held; Was Daughter of Pioneers

Memorial services were held February 1 for Emma M. Jensen, daughter of pioneers and a native of Stevenson, who die January 27, 1986, at the age of 75.

Services were held at the Faith Tabernacle in Stevenson and interment followed at the Iman Cemetery, named for one of Mrs. Jensen's pioneer ancestors.

Emma was born April 22, 1911, the daughter of Amos and Myrtle Vallett Royse. Amos Royse had come west from Indiana as a young man and Myrtle was the daughter of Monroe and Emma Iman Vallett. Myrtle had been raised by her grandparents, Felix and Margaret Windsor Iman, following the death of her mother.

Margaret Windsor Iman had come west by covered wagon as a young girl in the early 1850s and married Felix Iman. The Imans witnessed the bloody events of 1856, familiarly known as the Fort Rains Massacre.

Throughout the years the Iman family had been closely identified with the history of the Columbia Gorge.

Emma Jensen's father, Amos Royse, was a logger, who worked in logging camps in the area, including Maple Flats, now Skamania. Emma attended school in Skamania and Stevenson and as a young woman worked at the Sampson Hotel in Stevenson, on the site of the present Sheriff's Office and jail.

In 1927 Emma married Harold Garwood. They had three daughters, Betty Jane (named after Betty Jane Daubenspeck McKee), Janice and Beverly.

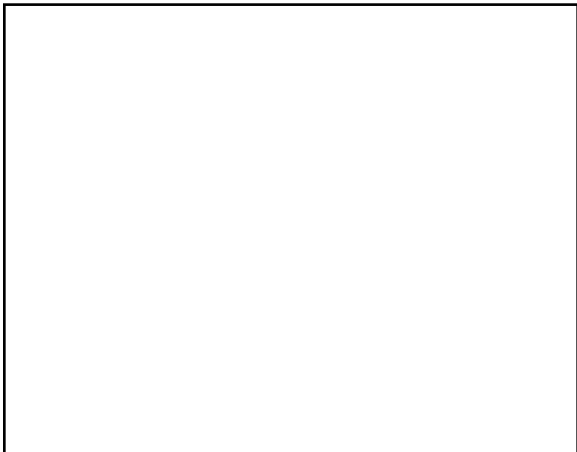
Emma and Harold lived in Stevenson through the depression years. Family members recall Emma's stories about such Stevenson personalities as Doctor Avary, Doctor Harris, Os Bevans, Granny Royse, Pres Ash, and George Christensen Sr. Emma's brother Hershel Royse now lives in Dodson, Oregon.

In 1945 Emma married George Jensen. They lived in Bend and Redmond, Oregon for six years and then moved back to Stevenson. By this time there were three more children, George Jr. (Billy), Arlis and Sharon.

Emma became a Christian at the age of 20 and was part of the Faith Tabernacle Church when the building was "down by the tracks." She was a vital part of that church for the next 54 years.

He death came suddenly after a short siege of the "flu," which developed into pneumonia. A respiration arrest brought on a coma from which she did not recover.

Besides her husband, George Jensen, at home in Stevenson, she is survived by a son, George Jensen Jr. of Yakima; four daughters, Janice Jones of Battle Ground, Beverly McGinnis of Longview, Arlis Watkins of Mt. Vernon, Sharon Ziegler of Underwood, and a brother, Hershel Royse of Dodson, Oregon. There are 22 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.



Skamania County Pioneer, 1999

## Grace V. Iman

A memorial service will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Stevenson Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints for Grace Virginia Iman, who died in White Salmon on Friday, Jan. 1, 1999. She was 85.

Mrs. Iman, a homemaker, was a member of the Stevenson Fraternal Order of the Eagles Auxiliary 1744.

She was born May 18, 1913, in Stevenson.

Her husband, Bill, preceded her in death.

Survivors include two daughters, Shirley Ferguson of Carson and Sherrie Lake of Olympia; two sons, Duane of Carson and Gary of Dallesport, Wash.; two brothers, Howard Nead of Milwaukie, Ore., and Elton Nead of Ocean Park, Wash.; 13 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Skamania County Pioneer, Jan. 6, 1999

## Grace Virginia Iman

Grace Virginia Iman of North Bonneville died Jan. 1, 1999, in White Salmon, Wash. She was 85.

She was born May 18, 1913, in Stevenson to Edgar and Grace (Nead) Ayres. She married Bill Iman, had four children and was a member of the Stevenson FOE 1744 Auxiliary.

Survivors include two daughters, Shirley Ferguson of Carson and Sherrie Lake of Olympia; two sons, Duane of Carson and Gary of Dallesport, Wash.; two brothers, Howard Nead of Milwaukie, Ore., and Elton Nead of Ocean Park, Wash.; 13 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; and special companion Ronald Henle.

A memorial service will be held Jan. 9 at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Stevenson. Davies Cremation and Burial is in charge of arrangements.

Skamania County Pioneer, Jan. 20, 1999

## Thank You

The family of Grace Virginia Iman would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers and prayers. A special thank you to Bishop Holden and the ladies of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints for the delicious food.

Shirley Ferguson and Family

Duane Iman and Family

Gary Iman and Family

Sherrie Lake and Family

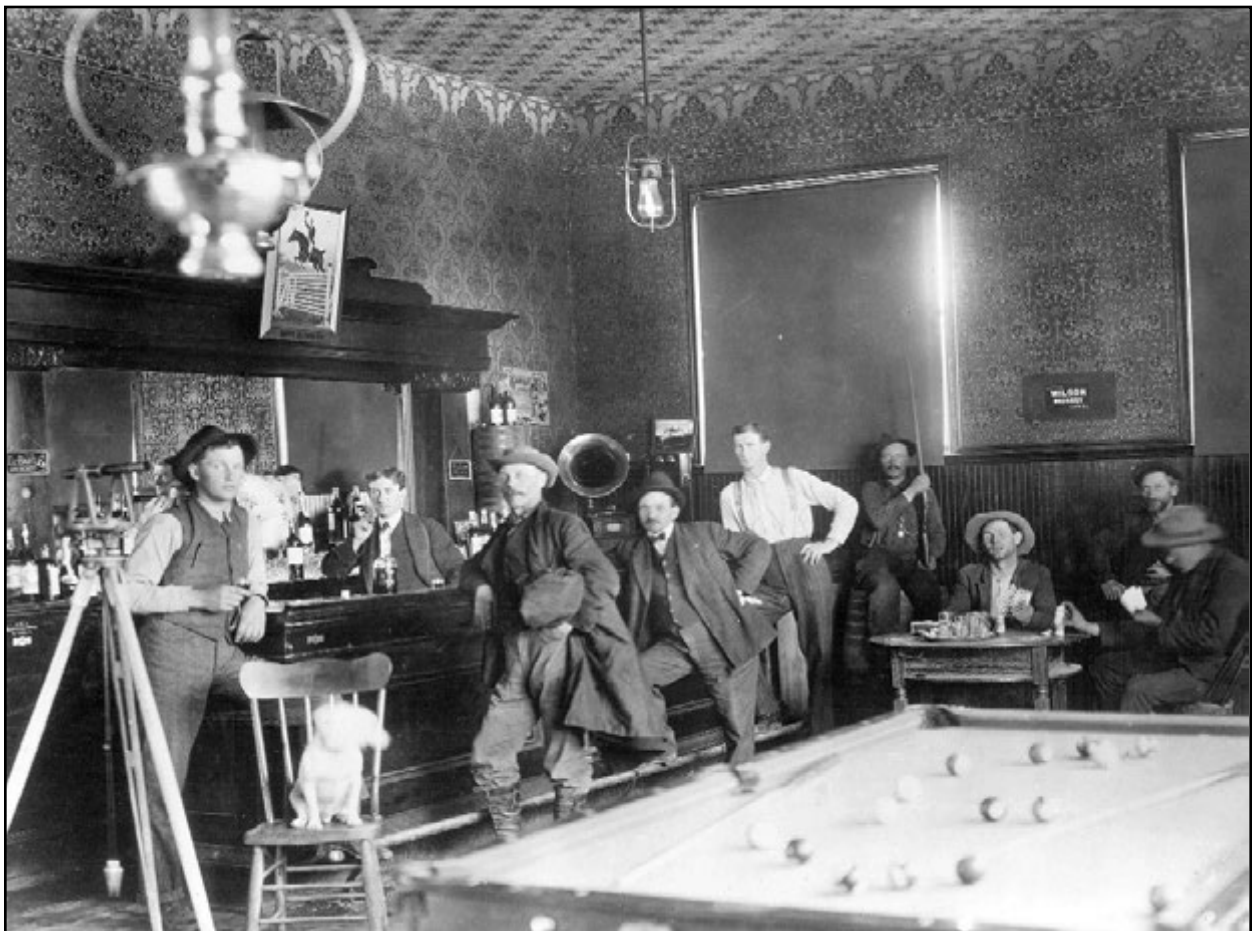
## Bill Iman Was Writing Family History When He Died

E. B. “Bill” Iman of Stevenson, grandson of early settlers, was working on a history of Skamania County and his family’s contribution to the growth of the area when he died last week at the age of 75.

Mr. Iman had written extensive notes and had tape recorded many of his recollections. although his project was not finished, family members hope to complete the records.

Mr. Iman was born here and spent his entire life in the area. His grandfather, Felix Iman, had settled here with his family in 1852 and had survived the Indian uprising of 1856, known as the Fort Rains Massacre.

Felix and Margaret Iman had come here from the midwest and had built a home near the present Stevenson Co-Ply location. When the Indians attacked Fort Rains, the Bradford Store and homes in the area, the Iman home was put to the torch. Felix and Margaret Iman, their small son Theodore and baby Florence, only three days old,



Patrons enjoying a good time at the Headquarters Saloon in Stevenson, owned by Lewis Iman, c. 1906. From left: Bill Cluer, bartender Bill Ellsworth, Monte Foster, Sam Thompson Bro., owner Lewis Iman, Ellis Totten holding a rifle, Oscar Bevans, D. D. Foster, and Conrad Lundy. Bevans and Lundy are playing a friendly card game.

escaped by boat.

Theodore had been born on the Oregon side of the Columbia and Florence, familiarly known as Flo, on the Washington side. Both were alive when the Bridge of the Gods was built in 1927 and they were chosen for the ribbon-cutting ceremony. Theodore crossing the bridge from the Oregon side and Flo from the Washington side and ceremoniously meeting in the middle of the span.

Felix Iman operated a water-powered sawmill near the present Eran Howell shop on Hegewald Pond. He had build a dam on Rock Creek above the present Iman property north of town, and water to power the mill came down the hill in a ditch, traces of which remain.

Bill Iman's father was F. L. "Lew" Iman, born after the Fort Rains incident. He was married to Emily May Eyman, in later years known as "Grannie May."

Lew and May Iman had eight children. With the death of Bill Iman only Edith Iman McCafferty (Mrs. F. R. "Mickey" McCafferty) survives.

Lew and May Iman's first child, Frank, died in infancy and a daughter, Nellie, died at the age of 4. Daughter Frae married Conrad Lundy Sr. and is survived by son Conrad "Tonnie" Lundy, and daughter Elva Stewart, both of Stevenson. Frae and Conrad Lundy were divorced and Frae was married to the late Jack Reno at the time of her death.

Another Iman daughter, Elma, married George Ainsworth. She is survived by a son, George Ainsworth, now of California, and a daughter, Edith Holien (nicknamed Petey), now living in Mead, Washington.

Daughter Edith McCafferty was the next child, followed by Bill Iman, the late Robert Hahn "Pinky" Iman, and Lewis Felix Iman, who was known as Mike and who died at the age of 20.

Lew Iman worked on the locks at Cascade Locks, now a national historic site, during its construction. He and May and their family lived in a house near the present McCafferty home above Stevenson, and Lew walked down to the river each day, rowed across to Cascade Locks, put in 10 hours of work, and then returned home. He was paid 10 cents per hour, or \$1.00 per day.

Lew operated the old Headquarters Saloon on Whiskey Row near the river in Stevenson, from 1901 to 1916. The family made its home near the saloon for many years.

Bill Iman was born there June 26, 1905. He attended school in Stevenson and later worked as a logger and with the Skamania County road department. He purchased the Club Tavern (now Ship, Captain & Crew) (*2013 business is a second hand store on Russell Street*) from his brother-in-law Mickey McCafferty and ran it for many years before his retirement.

When Skamania County celebrated the nation's Bicentennial in 1976, Bill Iman was chosen to head the 4th of July parade in Stevenson as its Grand Marshall.

He is survived by two sons, Duane Iman of Hood River and Gary Iman of The Dalles; two daughters, Shirley Ferguson of Carson and Sherrie Ellenberger of Kelso; a sister, Edith McCafferty of Stevenson; 20 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday, January 9 at Gardner's Chapel in Stevenson and interment followed at the historic Iman Cemetery on Rock Creek above Stevenson.



Skamania County Pioneer, Sept. 30, 1966

## Forest Iman Services Held

Forrest M. Eyman, who lived in Skamania County over 80 years, passed away September 24, 1966 at Skyline Hospital in White Salmon.

Funeral services were held September 28 at Gardner's Chapel in Stevenson with the Rev. Charles Molsee officiating. Interment was at the Eyman Cemetery at Carson.

Pallbearers were Glen Bevans, Conrad Lundy Jr., Jacob Aalvik, John Allinger, Frank Goepel and Robert Furrow.

Prior to being hospitalized at Skyline on January 21 of this year he had been at Bonneville Sanitorium for six years. His wife Florence died January 13, 1965.

My Eyman was born in Burksville, Monroe County, Illinois on October 13, 1882 and would have been 84 in October.

He came to Skamania County when he was two years of age, living in Stevenson and Carson most of his life. He was a faller and buckler all his working life in the woods of Skamania County.

Mr. Eyman is survived by a sister, Mrs. Jessie Fuller of Carson, and many nieces and nephews.

Skamania County Pioneer, July 19, 1900

## Death of Mrs. T. C. Iman

Mrs. Theodore Iman died at her home near Stevenson at 7:20 o'clock Thursday morning of heart disease.

Emma Kyler was born in Syrapee county, Nebraska, on September 12, 1864, and was married to Theodore Iman on the 21st day of April, 1878. The deceased leaves four children, a husband, two sisters, two brothers and a mother, besides many relatives and friends, to mourn her demise.

Mrs. Iman was known for her spotless character and affectionate disposition and through the death of her the family loses a kind and loving mother and wife and the community a model neighbor and friend. The deceased was loved by all who knew her and the community joins in hearty sympathy with the family and relatives in their sad bereavement.

The deceased was buried Friday afternoon in the family's cemetery about one mile and half northwest of this place. The remains was followed by a large concourse of relatives and friends, who went to show their last respects to the departed.

Skamania County Pioneer, Aug. 31, 1916

## Death of Robert H. Iman

Robert H. Iman died at the home of his parents in this city on Friday, August 25, 1916, of typhoid fever, after a lingering illness of several weeks.

Robert Iman, familiarly known as "Little Pinkey," was born in Stevenson July 13, 1907, his parents being Lewis F. and May Iman. He lived all his short life here and died in the house where he was born.

"Pinkey" was well known to everybody who has visited Stevenson for any length of time. His little red head was familiar sight on our streets and will be sadly missed. He was a bright little

chap and always looked on the happy side of things. How the little fellow contracted typhoid is hard to say as there had not been a case of it in the city for more than six years.

The funeral Sunday morning was conducted by Rev. Henry J. Harding and was attended by a very large number of people who thus paid their last tribute of respect to the departed child. Floral offerings were very profuse and very bountiful. He was buried in the old family cemetery near the upper falls of Rock Creek, where three generations of the Iman family now rest.



Front Avenue of Stevenson, south of the S.P.&S. railroad tracks. First building on right is the City Meat Market. Next is the C. S. Doumitt General Store. Next is the Headquarters Saloon, owned by Lew Iman. The sign says: "For Miners, Loggers and Railroaders. Our motto: Every Man's Credit Good." The last building was the Hotel Stevenson, owned by Russell and Flora Swain. (HOW ABOUT JEFFERSON NIX? ←

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH

Name of child: Thomas Avery Iman  
 Date of Birth: July 16, 1907  
 Birth Place: Stevenson  
 Name of Father: L. F. Iman  
 Age of Father: 38  
 Occupation: Saloon Keeper  
 Father's Birth Place: Washington  
 Name of Mother: Emily May Eyman  
 Age of Mother: 34  
 Mother's Birth Place: Illinois

Name of child: (male) Iman  
 Date of Birth: May 16, 1909  
 Birth Place: Stevenson  
 Name of Father: Albert O. Iman  
 Age of Father: 42  
 Occupation: Mill-man  
 Father's Birth Place: Washington  
 Name of Mother: Christina Nelson  
 Age of Mother: 33  
 Mother's Birth Place: Norway

Name of child: (Male) Iman  
 Date of Birth: July 23, 1910  
 Birth Place: Stevenson  
 Name of Father: Lew F. Iman  
 Age of Father: 41  
 Occupation: Saloon Keeper  
 Father's Birth Place: Washington  
 Name of Mother: Emily May Eyman  
 Age of Mother: 37  
 Mother's Birth Place: Illinois

Name of child: Harold Clyde Iman  
 Date of Birth: May 14, 1911  
 Birth Place: Stevenson  
 Name of Father: Albert O. Iman  
 Age of Father: 45  
 Occupation: Millwright  
 Father's Birth Place: Washington  
 Name of Mother: Christina Nelson  
 Age of Mother: 35  
 Mother's Birth Place: Norway

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH

Name of child: Elva Frae Lundy

Date of Birth: Dec. 2, 1912

Birth Place: Stevenson

Name of Father: Conrad Lundy

Age of Father: 24

Occupation: Saloon-man

Father's Birth Place: Sweden

Name of Mother: Emma Frae Iman

Age of Mother: 19

Mother's Birth Place: Washington

Name of child: Conrad Lundy Jr.

Date of Birth: Jan. 1, 1919

Birth Place: Stevenson

Name of Father: Conrad Lundy

Age of Father: 31

Occupation: Lumberman

Father's Birth Place: Norway

Name of Mother: Emma Frae Imn

Age of Mother: 25

Mother's Birth Place: Washington

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH - IMAN

Name of child: Elma Iman Ainsworth  
 Date of Birth: July 4, 1896  
 Date of Death: 1924  
 Age: 28  
 Cemetery: Iman Cemetery  
 Remarks: Daughter of Lewis and Emily May Iman

Name of child: Alfred E Iman  
 Date of Birth: May 12, 1872  
 Date of Death: March 13, 1895  
 Age: 22  
 Cemetery:  
 Remarks: Son of Felix G. and Margaret Winsor Iman

Name of child: Emma Kyle Iman  
 Date of Birth: 1865  
 Date of Death: July 11, 1900  
 Age: 28  
 Cemetery: Iman Cemetery  
 Remarks: Wife of Theodore Iman

Name of child: Felix Grundy Iman  
 Date of Birth: Nov. 24, 1828  
 Date of Death: July 17, 1902  
 Age: 72  
 Cemetery: Iman Cemetery  
 Remarks:

Name of child: born & died before 1900:  
 : Merry  
 Nora  
 Anna  
 Cemetery: Iman Cemetery  
 Remarks: Children of Felix and Margaret Iman

Name of child: Nell Iman  
 Date of Birth: 1890  
 Date of Death: 1894  
 Age: 4 years  
 Cemetery: Iman Cemetery  
 Remarks: Daughter of Lewis and May Iman

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH - IMAN

Name of child: Frank Iman (baby)

Date of Birth: 1889

Date of Death: 1889

Age:

Cemetery: Iman Cemetery

Remarks: Son of Lewis and  
May Iman

Name of child: Josiah M. Iman

Date of Birth: June 24, 1881

Date of Death: Jan. 17 1909

Age: 27

Cemetery: Iman Cemetery

Remarks: Son of Felix G. and  
Margaret Winsor Iman

Name of child: Hazel Ray Iman

Date of Birth: 1896

Date of Death: Oct. 19, 1909

Age: 13

Cemetery:

Remarks: Daughter of Christine  
and James Iman

Name of child: Baby Iman

Date of Birth: May 16, 1909

Date of Death: Feb. 1, 1910

Age: 8 months

Cemetery:

Remarks: Child of Albert and  
Christine Iman

Name of child: Rober Hon "Pinky" Iman

Date of Birth: July 13, 1907

Date of Death: July 25, 1916

Age: 9 years old

Cemetery: Iman Cemetery

Remarks: Son of Lewis and  
May Iman

Name of child: James R. Iman

Date of Birth: 18730

Date of Death:

Age:

Cemetery:

Remarks:

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH - IMAN

Name of child: Margaret Windsor Iman  
Date of Birth: 1834  
Date of Death: July 28, 1924  
Age: 90  
Cemetery: Iman Cemetery  
Remarks: Wife of Felix Iman

Name of child: Baby Iman  
Date of Birth:  
Date of Death:  
Age:  
Cemetery:  
Remarks: Child of James R. Iman

Name of child: Christina Iman  
Date of Birth: Norway  
Date of Death:  
Age:  
Cemetery:  
Remarks: Wife of James R. Iman

Name of child: George Washington Iman  
Date of Birth: July 8, 1867  
Date of Death:  
Age:  
Cemetery:  
Remarks: Son of Felix and Margaret Iman

Name of child: Charles Nathaniel Iman  
Date of Birth: Aug. 12, 1877  
Date of Death:  
Age:  
Cemetery:  
Remarks: Son of Felix and Margaret Iman

Name of child: Theodore C. Iman  
Date of Birth: Aug. 23, 1854  
Date of Death: Mary 19, 1927  
Age: 72  
Cemetery:  
Remarks: Son of Felix and Margaret Iman

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH - IMAN

Name of child: Louis Felix (Mike) Iman  
Date of Birth: July 23, 1910  
Date of Death: March 1931  
Age: 21  
Cemetery: Iman Cemetery  
Remarks: Son of Louis and Emily May Iman

Name of child: John William Iman  
Date of Birth: 1864  
Date of Death:  
Age:  
Cemetery:  
Remarks:

Name of child: Emily May Iman  
Date of Birth: Sept. 4, 1872  
Date of Death: Sept. 13, 1945  
Age: 73  
Cemetery: Iman Cemetery  
Remarks: Daughter of Lewis and Harriett Eyman

Name of child: Arthur Noble Iman  
Date of Birth: Sept. 1, 1904  
Date of Death: May 4, 1946  
Age: 41  
Cemetery: Iman Cemetery  
Remarks: Son of Albert O. Iman

Name of child: Lewis Franklin Iman  
Date of Birth: March 4, 1869  
Date of Death: Sept. 27, 1947  
Age: 78  
Cemetery: Iman Cemetery  
Remarks: Son of Felix and Margaret Iman

Name of child: Albert Edum Iman  
Date of Birth: Sept. 4, 1865  
Date of Death: Dec. 31, 1952  
Age: 89  
Cemetery: Iman Cemetery  
Remarks: Married Christina after James Iman died



## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH - IMAN

Name of child: Jess Iman

Date of Birth:

Date of Death:

Age:

Cemetery:

Remarks:

Name of child: Carl Rosier

Date of Birth:

Date of Death:

Age:

Cemetery: Iman Cemetery

Remarks: Step-son of  
Theodore Iman

Name of child: Emma Frae Reno

Date of Birth: March 7, 1893

Date of Death: July 4, 1962

Age: 69

Cemetery: Iman Cemetery

Remarks: Daughter of Lewis  
and May Iman

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH - EYMAN

Name of child: Lewis Eyman  
Date of Birth: 1844  
Date of Death: March 15, 1913  
Age: 69  
Cemetery: Eyman Cemetery  
Remarks: Father

Name of child: Harriet C. Eyman  
Date of Birth: 1849  
Date of Death: 1933  
Age: 84  
Cemetery: Eyman Cemetery  
Remarks: "Mother"

Name of child: Loyd C. Eyman  
Date of Birth: March 17, 1888  
Date of Death: June 6, 1909  
Age: 21 yrs., 2 mo., 19 days  
Cemetery: Eyman Cemetery  
Remarks: "Meet Me In Heaven"

Name of child: Lily Dale Eyman  
Date of Birth: July 11, 1890  
Date of Death: July 11, 190  
Cemetery: Eyman Cemetery  
Remarks: Daughter of H. L. and  
Harriet C. Eyman -  
"Beautiful"

Name of child: Forrest M. Eyman  
Date of Birth: 1882  
Date of Death: 1966  
Age: 84  
Cemetery: Iman Cemetery  
Remarks:

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF MARRIAGE - EYMAN

Record No. 146

Date of Marriage June 10, 1907

Name 1: H. W. Foster

Name 2: Ann Eyman

Age: 27

Age: 24

Times Married 2

Times Married: 1

Residence: Stevenson

Residence: Stevenson

Birth Place: Washington

Birth Place: Washington

Occupation: Ship Captain

Occupation:

Name of Father: F. F. Foster

Name of Father: L. Eyman

Name of Mother: Ann McPherson

Name of Mother: H. Kidds

Name of Official Performing Marriage: A. C. Sly, J. P.

Names of Witnesses:  
1. F. W. Foster  
2. Wm. McRobie

Record No. 242

Date of Marriage Oct. 22, 1910

Name 1: Henry Fuller

Name 2: Jessie Eyman

Age: 26

Age: 20

Times Married 2

Times Married: 1

Residence: Stevenson

Residence: Stevenson

Birth Place: Oregon

Birth Place: Washington

Occupation: --

Occupation: --

Name of Father: W. L. Fuller

Name of Father: Louis Eyman

Name of Mother: Jennie Roch

Name of Mother: Harriet C Ridle(?)

Name of Official Performing Marriage: J. P. Gillette, J.P..

Names of Witnesses:  
1. Conrad Lundy  
2. Frae Lundy

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF MARRIAGE - EYMAN

Record No. 42

Date of Marriage     July 3, 1898

Name 1:                     Fred M. Foster                     Name 2:                     Lavinia E. Eyman

Age:                             --                                     Age:                             --

Times Married             --                                     Times Married:             --

Residence:                 Stevenson                             Residence:                     Carson

Birth Place:                 --                                     Birth Place:                 --

Occupation:                --                                     Occupation:                --

Name of Father:            --                                     Name of Father:            --

Name of Mother:         --                                     Name of Mother:         --

Name of Official Performing Marriage:     W. L. Gray, J.P.  
 Names of Witnesses:                             1. Flora Iman  
    2. Berrtha Andrews

Record No. 45

Date of Marriage     Nov. 12, 1898

Name 1:                     Henry N. Foster                     Name 2:                     Flora J. Eyman

Age:                             --                                     Age:                             --

Times Married             --                                     Times Married:             --

Residence:                 Stevenson                             Residence:                     Stevenson

Birth Place:                 --                                     Birth Place:                 --

Occupation:                --                                     Occupation:                --

Name of Father:            --                                     Name of Father:            --

Name of Mother:         --                                     Name of Mother:         --

Name of Official Performing Marriage:     W. L. Gray, J.P.  
 Names of Witnesses:                             1. Lavinia E. Foster  
    2. F. F. Foster

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF MARRIAGE - IMAN

Record No. 395

Date of Marriage: Dec. 1, 1914

Name 1: George Ainsworth

Name 2: Elma Iman

Age: 22

Age: 18

Times Married: 2

Times Married: 1

Residence: Stevenson, Wa.

Residence: Stevenson, Wa.

Birth Place: Illinois

Birth Place: Stevenson, Wa.

Occupation: Bartender

Occupation: --

Name of Father: Thomas Ainsworth

Name of Father: Louis Iman

Name of Mother: Anna Uttley

Name of Mother: May Eyman

Name of Official Performing Marriage: Rev. H. J. Harding, Methodist Minister

Names of Witnesses:  
1. B Gray  
2. L. M. Flesh

Record No. 236

Date of Marriage: Sept. 1, 1909

Name 1:: Conn (*Conrad*) Lundy

Name 2: Frae Iman

Age: 23

Age: 17

Times Married: 1

Times Married: 1

Residence: Stevenson

Residence: Stevenson

Birth Place: Norway

Birth Place: Washington

Occupation: Laborer

Occupation: --

Name of Father: Ole Lundy

Name of Father: L. F. Iman

Name of Mother: Gort Match Nols(?)

Name of Mother: May Eyman

Name of Official Performing Marriage: J. P. Gillette, J.P..

Names of Witnesses:  
1. J. P. Ellen Gillette  
2. Louis Yettick

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF MARRIAGE - IMAN

Record No. 244			
Date of Marriage		Nov. 19, 1910	
Name 1::	Frank Ridley	Name 2:	Ethel Iman
Age:	23	Age:	16
Times Married	1	Times Married:	1
Residence:	Stevenson	Residence:	Stevenson
Birth Place:	Oklahoma	Birth Place:	Washington
Occupation:	--	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	George Ridley	Name of Father:	James Iman
Name of Mother:	Lizzie Brown	Name of Mother:	Christine Nelson
Name of Official Performing Marriage:		J. P. Gillette, J. P.	
Names of Witnesses:		1. Conrad Lundy	
		2. Frae Lundy	

Record No. 73			
Date of Marriage		Sept. 9, 1901	
Name 1::	Theodore C. Iman	Name 2:	Mary Anna Kirchner
Age:	47	Age:	45
Times Married	2	Times Married:	2
Residence:	Stevenson	Residence:	Siary, OR
Birth Place:	Wasco Co., Oregon	Birth Place:	Illinois
Occupation:	Farmer	Occupation:	Housekeeper
Name of Father:	Felix G. Iman	Name of Father:	Melcher Kirchner
Name of Mother:	Margaret W. Windsor	Name of Mother:	Teresa Sepres
Name of Official Performing Marriage:		John H. Ginder, J.P.	
Names of Witnesses:		1. Geo. W. Iman	
		2. Florence Ginder	

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF MARRIAGE - IMAN

Record No. n/a			
Date of Marriage	Jan. 1, 1889		
Name 1::	Louis F. Iman	Name 2:	Emily May Eyman
Age:	--	Age:	--
Times Married	--	Times Married:	--
Residence:	--	Residence:	--
Birth Place:	--	Birth Place:	--
Occupation:	--	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	--	Name of Father:	--
Name of Mother:	--	Name of Mother:	--
Name of Official Performing Marriage:			
Names of Witnesses:			
1. E. R. Ninville			
2.			

Record No. 98			
Date of Marriage	July 15, 1904		
Name 1::	Ira I. Foster	Name 2:	Flora A. Morgan (Iman)
Age:	45	Age:	48
Times Married	2	Times Married:	2
Residence:	Stevenson	Residence:	Stevenson
Birth Place:	Iowa	Birth Place:	Washington
Occupation:	Logger	Occupation:	Housewife
Name of Father:	Fenner Foster	Name of Father:	Felix G. Iman
Name of Mother:	Julia A. Babcock	Name of Mother:	Margaret Windsor (Iman)
Name of Official Performing Marriage: P. E. Michell, J.P.			
Names of Witnesses:			
1. Mrs. L. F. Iman			
2. Mrs. H. W. Foster			





## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF MARRIAGE - IMAN

Record No.			
Date of Marriage	Sept. 14, 1881		
Name 1::	J. W. Townsend	Name 2:	Rosie A. Iman(s)
Age:	--	Age:	--
Times Married	--	Times Married:	--
Residence:	--	Residence:	--
Birth Place:	--	Birth Place:	--
Occupation:	--	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	--	Name of Father:	--
Name of Mother:	--	Name of Mother:	--
Name of Official Performing Marriage:		--	
Names of Witnesses:		1. --	
		2. --	

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF MARRIAGE - IMAN

Record No.	5		
Date of Marriage	March 27, 1894 (another book 1891)		
Name 1::	James R. Iman	Name 2:	Christina Nelson
Age:	23	Age:	18
Times Married	1	Times Married:	1
Residence:	Stevenson	Residence:	Stevenson
Birth Place:	Stevenson	Birth Place:	Norway
Occupation:	Laborer	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	Felix Grundy Iman	Name of Father:	not given
Name of Mother:	Margaret Windsor	Name of Mother:	not given
Name of Official Performing Marriage:			
Names of Witnesses:			
1. A. O. Iman			
2. A. E. Iman			

Record No.	546		
Date of Marriage			
Name 1::	Rudolf H. McCafferty	Name 2:	Edith Iman
Age:	--	Age:	--
Times Married	--	Times Married:	--
Residence:	--	Residence:	--
Birth Place:	--	Birth Place:	--
Occupation:	--	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	--	Name of Father:	--
Name of Mother:	--	Name of Mother:	--
Name of Official Performing Marriage: --			
Names of Witnesses:			
1. --			
2. --			

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF MARRIAGE - IMAN

Record No.	1647		
Date of Marriage			
Name 1::	Issac M. Iman	Name 2:	Cora Lowden
Age:	--	Age:	--
Times Married	--	Times Married:	--
Residence:	--	Residence:	--
Birth Place:	--	Birth Place:	--
Occupation:	--	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	--	Name of Father:	--
Name of Mother:	Ann McPherson	Name of Mother:	--
	Name of Official Performing Marriage:	--	
	Names of Witnesses:	1. --	
		2. --	

Record No.	n/a		
Date of Marriage	April 22, 1878		
Name 1::	Theodore Iman	Name 2:	Emma Kyler
Age:	--	Age:	--
Times Married	--	Times Married:	--
Residence:	--	Residence:	--
Birth Place:	--	Birth Place:	--
Occupation:	--	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	--	Name of Father:	--
Name of Mother:	--	Name of Mother:	--
	Name of Official Performing Marriage:	--	
	Names of Witnesses:	1. --	
		2. --	

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF MARRIAGE - IMAN

Record No.	826		
Date of Marriage	--		
Name 1::	George Iman	Name 2:	Mae Freeman
Age:	--	Age:	--
Times Married	--	Times Married:	--
Residence:	--	Residence:	--
Birth Place:	--	Birth Place:	--
Occupation:	--	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	--	Name of Father:	--
Name of Mother:	--n	Name of Mother:	--
	Name of Official Performing Marriage:		--
	Names of Witnesses:		1. --
			2. --

Record No.	69		
Date of Marriage	July 8, 1901		
Name 1::	Wilbur Johnson	Name 2:	Ida Iman
Age:	23	Age:	19
Times Married	a	Times Married:	1
Residence:	Carson	Residence:	Stevenson
Birth Place:	Wisconsin	Birth Place:	Washington
Occupation:	Laborer	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	Richard Johnson	Name of Father:	Theadore C. Iman
Name of Mother:	Helen Bowles	Name of Mother:	Emma Tyler
	Name of Official Performing Marriage:		John H. Ginder, J.P.
	Names of Witnesses:		1. George Taylor
			2. Grace Gray

**MARRIAGE RECORDS  
MRS. HARRY (CLEO) BROWN,  
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE  
SKAMANIA COUNTY  
1933-1951**

Re: Iman/Eyman/Douglass/Dunn/Sweeney

<b>Groom</b>	<b>Bride</b>	<b>Date</b>
Bryant	Douglass	July 31, 1834
Booth	Douglass	April 25, 1934
Pleasant	Douglass	June 28, 1939
F. Sweeney	Martin	April 7, 1939
Clinton L. Robbins	Dunn	August 5, 1942
Ronald R. Salby	Lorraine M. Sweeney	June 10, 1946
Clyde R. Blaisdell	Charlotte Sweeney	December 20, 1946
John F. Sweeney	June Rike	June 21, 1947
Thomas Sweeney	Frances M. Davis	July 10, 1948
Earl Ferguson	Shirley Mae Iman	November 15, 1949

## **IMAN SKETCH NOTES IN "SKAMANIA COUNTY HISTORY, VOL. 1"**

PAGE 7:

"Herman asked if they had any guns. No. He went on up to **Iman's** house, the rest staying to help get the steamer out."

PAGE 8:

"It is almost needless to say that the pilot house was a target for the Indians. The steamer picked up Herman on the bank above. **Iman's family**. Shepard and Vanderpool all got across the river in skiffs, and boarded the *Mary*, were taken to The Dalles."

PAGE 25:

"Donation Land Claims: **Iman, Felix G.**, 3-10-55, 320 A., Sec. 2, 11, T2N., R.7E."

PAGE 26:

"The **Iman Claim** in Stevenson still belongs in part to the **Iman** family and has a cemetery on it."

PAGE 27:

"EARLY DAYS AT THE CASCADES, by **George Iman**. The first school that we went to was a log house someone had built. It was called the Minter cabin. It did not have any windows and only the ground for a floor. There were six scholars: **my brother, T. C. Iman**, Henry Shepard, Ellen Nelson, Mary Ann Nelson and **Flora A. Iman**."

PAGE 28:

"My father was a skilled workman, and one who dared to tackle most any kind of structure. He built and owned the third and fourth sawmills in this

county. The first was built just below the 20 foot falls on Rock Creek, near the **L. F. Iman** place but was later carried away by a heavy flood in the creek."

PAGE 30:

"Told by the Pioneers: **Lewis F. Iman**. My oldest sister was the first white woman born in Skamania County. Her name is **Flora Addia (Iman) Nix**. She was 80 years old on the 24th day of March, so she was born here in 1856."

PAGE 32:

"Headquarters Saloon, owned by **Lewis J. Iman**, 1906.:"

PAGE 33:

"TOLD BY THE PIONEERS - by **Margaret Windsor Iman** . . . We landed in The Dalles in the year 1852 and came down the river on a raft to what is known as Shepard's Point, where Stevenson, the county seat of Skamania County, now stands."

PAGE 51:

"Stevenson-Udell and Moriarty are building an addition to their saloon by annexing the **Iman building**."

PAGE 52:

"June 26, 1902: **Felix Iman** very low, feeble."

PAGE 56:

"July 17, **Felix Iman**, who took a Donation Land Claim on Rock Creek in 1852, died. He belonged to that set of men that include Amos Underwood, Dr.

Leavens, James Walker and the Hamiltons. No great epitaph could be inscribed than to say, "*He was a Pioneer.*"

PAGE 57:

"December 4, 1902: **John Iman**-meat market in Stevenson."

PAGE 59:

"William Drano (French Billie) died at the home of J. M. Coulter at Cooks Landing. He was a contemporary with Captain Amos Underwood, Edward Underwood, Captain G. W. Thompson, VeTrivet, Honorable E. L. Smith, **Felix Iman**, and many other old timers."

PAGE 67:

"January 21, 1909: **Josiah H. Iman**, young son of **Felix G. Iman**, died. He was 27 years, 6 months, 20 days old. His mother survives him. (January 17, 1909.)

PAGE 75:

"Fraternal Order of Eagles 1744: The Eagles Lodge was organized February 14, 1908 and received their charter May 16, 1908. Some of the charter members were: J. T. Haffey, Fred Estabrook, Charles Rabineau, John Baughman, Charles Thayer, Barney Haffey, Clarke LeBarre, **Lewis F. Iman**, Ray Sly, R. M. Wright, and T. C. Avary."

PAGE 90:

"**IMAN MILL**, Personal Interview, by Hulda Howll. One Sunday morning when I came home from church a man

was standing by our garage looking at our house (Howells) when I got out of the car he asked me if I lived here. I said "yes." He said: "*My father built this house, do you mind if I look around the yard?*" I said, "*No, not at all.*"

PAGE 91:

"**Iman's Sawmill** was built in 1857, it was located where the present **Iman Creek** runs in the Basin."

PAGE 101:

"Stevenson — George Stevenson bought some of the Shepard land and in 1893 laid out the town. By 1900 there were several business places in operation. On the south corner of Cascade Street and Russell Avenue, was the **Iman Saloon**, to the east was a restaurant operated by Hickey and Key, then Charlie Thayer's Saloon, owned by Steubling of The Dalles, then the Valley Hotel and Bar, run by Jeff and Nora Nix."

PAGE 102:

"Across the street from **Iman's Saloon**, run by Udell and Moriarity, was John Totton's General Store, the P. E. Mitchell's Drug Store, which housed the post office, the Courthouse Print Shop and Charlie Green's house."

PAGE 105:

"Next is the Headquarters Saloon, owned by **Felix Iman**. The sign reads: 'For Miners, Loggers and Railroaders. Our motto: Every Man's Credit Card.' "