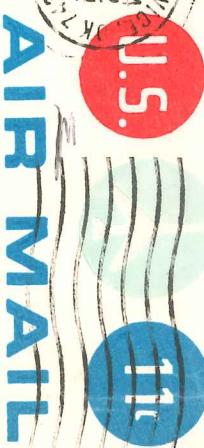


after 3 day Return to
Chas H. Tunk.
Bluejacket
Okla.
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Mary-E. Ruckman
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Oct 24th, 72

Blue Jacket Okla

Dear Neice. Was so glad to get a letter from you and I'll do my best to supply as much as I can on your request. I came thru Caldwell and I was not sure Kenneth still lived up North and east of Caldwell and I really did want to see him and have a good visit, with him as he has always been one of my favorite nephews. I came thru Caldwell, Hanape, and Boise on the Buss going to Washington to see my family that I took to Washington State about 1925 after the great depression of the 20th and 30th after the government deflated our farms to where we could not keep them. They married and have good home in Puyallup^{wash}, about 10 miles up the Puyallup River east of Tacoma Wash and I do know they would be glad to meet you.

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And if you should ever be
in Puyallup Do hunt them
up and tell them you are their
Cousin and a Daughter of
Kenneth Smith I am sure they
would be glad to see you, you
Did not say whether you had
any children of your own but
I do want you to let me know
if how Kenneth is physically if
he is enjoying good health
and I would like him to
write me a letter so if I ever
go thru Boise Nampa or Wash-
ington to see my children I might be
able to contact him also if
he has a phone and its number
so if I got of the bus I could
call him and see if we could
get together for a visit. I
have not heard from him for
about 10 years I guess and
his last letter the I have
misplaced and can not
remember his address on page 3

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Well now to your Request
about our Geneology

My grandfather was -

David Samuel Miller who
was born In Ohio about
18~~0~~5 as near as I can
can tell you But I cannot say
the exact year for sure

My Grand Mother as best I
Can tell you was Born
. Maybe a few years later
of The to the
John Wherry Family
and there is Or was
when I lived in Illinois.
in 1946. and all a
Very Highly Respected family's

To this union was born as I
Remember 4 children 2 Sons
and 2 Daughters

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My Mother was born in
December 28th in or
about 18⁵² She was the oldest
Child of this Union.

her Brother was Elijah and
the other Brother Hiram was
younger than Elijah. My
Mother Sister was the youngest
of the children and Died when
she was 19 years of age. Remember

Now back to my Grand father
the Wherry family he was
Married to when my Mother and
her sisters were born Died
and my Grand father Married
the Hired girl who worked for
my mother and lived when
she was alive. and that unit
6 children were born to them
3 Boys. Oscar who is dead
Albia Miller who lives in Princeton
Ill. and the youngest Boy who
is or has had a Army career
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Now Back to my mother and Father

My Mother was married about the year 1878 to a man of Danish Descent as far as I know he was born in or near Chicago. My mother got acquainted with ~~him~~ him as he was what they called in them day called a man who Ran a Restaurant a Biscuit Thrower a Cook and Ran a Restaurant in Bureau Ill.

My Fathers Name was

Theodora Funk

My Mother Name was

Nancy Ann Miller

To this union was born 6 children. Frank Funk, George W. Funk, Alvin P. Funk, Chas Henry Funk and another boy and girl who died under 2 or 3 years of age.

This Union was Broken

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When I was a baby and my
Mother Had custody of me and
A.P. Funk and my Father took
Frank Funk and George Funk
back to Chicago and put them
to selling news papers on the
Street corners of Chicago But later
on my mother with Grand Father's
Help got custody of the 2 Boys
your Grand dad and George and brought
them back to Green County Ia
Where we Boys all grew to manhood
my Mother Put Frank with my
Uncle Hiram, and my Brother
George with a Family near
Jefferson Iowa Named Montgomery
and A.P. Funk with a family
Named McCalister near Jefferson
Ia until they were old enough to
go about 17 or 18 when they Geodap
Come home and was with Mother and I

Now for the 2nd Marriage
of my mother to

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When I was about 4 years old
My Mother Married a German

Named Hammond Sailer
A Canadian Born Citizen
and my mother and
I was moved from my
mothers aunt Home, in
Jefferson Iowa to Mr Sailer's
Farm 4 miles North of Bagley
Iowa and 12 miles Southwest
of Jefferson Iowa where I
grew up as a farm boy

My Step father was a very
Religious man, and I could
not of got a man any Better
for a Step father and I was
lucky that way

To this I Union was
Born 4 children, Myrtle Sailer
the oldest child. a pair of
Twins David S. Sailer and
Samuel Alfred Sailer Both of them

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Both of these Twins Died
in Fortieh 40,5 years. Alfred
was a minister of the Gospel
and Both farmed farms
in Idaho at Wamps at one
time. Kenneth farmed there
at the same time when they
were there. Ralph Saiter my
Mothers youngest child died
and is Buried in the Cemetery
1 mile east of our house in Iowa
in Greenbrier Cemetery.

Well my Dear Neighbors Daughter
and my 1st neice once removed
as John Wherry my mothers Cousin
a school Teacher used explain
it to me once.

We just said Second Cousin
in our family (my mothers Family).
Now if i can answer anything
you would like to know ask me

Bye Bye for now, always glad
to receive letters from my kin Folks Chas H Funk

PS I guess your Grandad did
not like his dad to well and went
West and changed his Born name to
Smith Kenneth maybe knows

Is you Grand Mother still living and
Love how is she and the other girls
I have not heard anything from any
of them. Your Grandad was very dear ^{and kind} to me. Love came to see