

## Guesman Family

Della Jeannette Guesman was born 14 August 1929 Brownsville, Fayette County, PA and died 15 October 1999 MI. She married Robert Winston Duvall. She was the daughter of Delbert Woodward Guesman & Margaret Jeannette Kerr.

Times Herald, Port Huron, MI,  
Sunday, 24 October 1999 p2B:

### Della Duvall

**LEXINGTON HEIGHTS** — Della Duvall, 70, of Lexington Heights, died Thursday, Oct. 21, 1999 in Oakwood Hospital, from complications due to a stroke.

She was born Aug. 14, 1929 in Pennsylvania. She is survived by her children, Donna Smieleski of Livonia, Andy Grozier of Alaska, Linda Sugars of Columbus, Sharron Smieleski of Brighton, Richard Duvall of Iowa, Nita Eddington of Peck, Gina Baum of Warren, Kimberly Ross of Columbus and Chris Duvall of Chesterfield; 28 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and her loving companion, Steve Branski.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Duvall, a son, George Duvall and a sister, Margaret Bowser.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Monday in Martenson Funeral Home, Allen Park (313-386-6600).

Delbert Woodward Guesman born 11 July 1905 Brownsville, Fayette County, PA, died 22 October 1971 Fayette County, PA. He served as a sergeant in the Army, 1942-1945, during World War II. He was buried Lafayette Memorial Park, Brier Hill, Fayette County, PA. He married Margaret Jeannette Kerr, 6 February 1928 Fayette County, PA and they were divorced in 1954.



World War II Draft Registration Card:

SERIAL NUMBER <b>2332</b>	1. NAME (Print) <b>Delbert Woodward Guesman</b> (First) (Middle) (Last)		ORDER NUMBER <b>2868</b>
2. ADDRESS (Print) <b>Rd 1 Brownsville Fayette Pa</b> (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)			
3. TELEPHONE <b>none</b>	4. AGE IN YEARS <b>35</b>	5. PLACE OF BIRTH <b>Brownsville</b> (Town or county)	6. COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP <b>U.S.A.</b>
DATE OF BIRTH <b>July 11 1905</b> (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)			<b>Fayette</b> (State or country)
7. NAME OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS <b>Mr. William Jones</b> (Mr., Mrs., Miss) (First) (Middle) (Last)			8. RELATIONSHIP OF THAT PERSON <b>Cousin</b>
9. ADDRESS OF THAT PERSON <b>Rd 1 Brownsville Fayette Pa</b> (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)			
10. EMPLOYER'S NAME <b>Edwin Binnus</b>			
11. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS <b>Union Sta Brownsville Fayette Pa</b> (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)			
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.			
REGISTRATION CARD D. S. S. Form 1		16-17105 <b>Delbert Guesman</b>	

Margaret Jeannette Kerr, wife of Delbert Woodward Guesman, was born 12 December 1908 Washington County, PA and died 1959 Wayne County, MI. She was the daughter of Peter Allen Kerr & Margaret Ferguson, who were married 21 December 1900 Washington County, PA. Peter Allen Kerr was born 1 October 1877 Washington County, PA and died 16 March 1939 Washington County, PA. Margaret Ferguson was born 12 March 1880 Dalziel, Lanarkshire, Scotland and died 22 May 1936 Fayette County, PA; she was the daughter of Hugh & Margaret Ferguson.

Delbert Woodward Guesman was son of Martin Riley Guesman & Mary Jane McClelland. Martin Riley Guesman was born 1 September 1884 Brownsville, Fayette County, PA and died 29 December 1921 Brownsville, Fayette County, PA. He was buried Redstone Cemetery, Brownsville, Fayette County, PA He was a truck driver.



Form V. S. No. 5-50M-3-11-21.

1. PLACE OF DEATH  
County of Greene  
Township of Brownsville  
or  
Borough of  
City of (No. St. Ward)

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH  
Registration District No. 504  
Primary Registration District No. 2651

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS  
File No. 113478  
Registered No. 443

2. FULL NAME Riley Guesman

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX M 4. COLOR OR RACE W 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Married

6. DATE OF BIRTH Sept 1 1885  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7. AGE 36 3 28  
yrs. mos. ds. If LESS than 1 day how many hrs. or min.?

8. OCCUPATION  
(a) Trade, profession, or, particular kind of work Engineer  
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)

9. BIRTHPLACE (State or Country) Pa

10. NAME OF FATHER Cephus Guesman

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country) Pa

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Esther Black

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country) Pa

14. THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.  
(Informant) Mrs Mary Guesman  
(Address) Brownsville Pa.

15. Dec 31 1921 L. B. REICHARD, M. D.  
Filed Local Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH Dec 29 1921  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Dec 5 1921, to Dec 29 1921, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 9:30 A.M. The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
Chronic Myocarditis  
90  
(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.  
Contributory (Secondary) (Duration) yrs. mos. ds.  
(Signed) Riley Guesman M. D.  
Dec 30 1921 (Address) Brownsville Pa

\*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH; or in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL.

18. LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients or Recent Residents).  
At place of death yrs. mos. ds. In the State yrs. mos. ds.  
Where was disease contracted,  
If not at place of death?  
Former or usual residence

19. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Redstone Cem DATE OF BURIAL Jan 1 1922

20. UNDERTAKER J. T. Ross & Son ADDRESS BROWNVILLE, Pa.

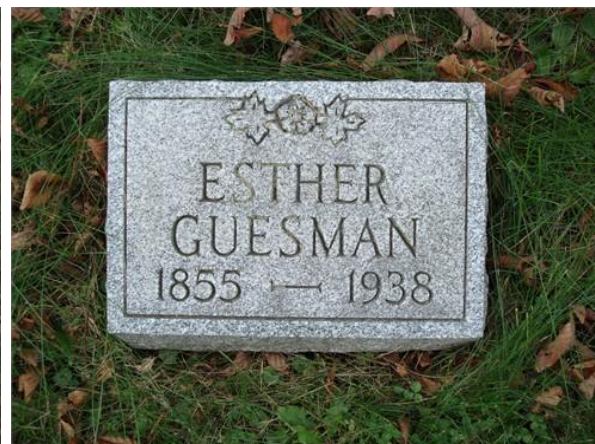
Mary Jane McLelland, wife of Riley Guesman, was born 18 June 1890 Carmichaels, Greene County, PA and died 5 May 1959 Greene County, PA and was buried Glades Cemetery, Green County, PA. She was the daughter of Cephas Marion McClelland (11 June 1849 Greene County, PA – 15 August 1922 Greene County, PA) & Orpha Burnett (1851-1932), who were buried Glades Cemetery, Green County, PA.

Waynesburg Republican, Waynesburg, PA, 20 May 1959:

Mrs. Mary Jane Guesman, 68 years, widow of Riley Guesman, of Carmichaels, died Tuesday, May 5, 1959, in Greene County Memorial Hospital. She was a daughter of Cephas and Orpha Burnette McClelland, and was born June 18, 1890, at Carmichaels. Mrs. Guesman was a member of the Carmichaels Methodist Church and the Carmichaels Rebekah Lodge. Surviving are one son, William Guesman; two daughters, Adelaide, wife of Martin Ritz and Blanche, wife of Gerald Swartz, all of Carmichaels; three grandchildren; one brother, Andrew McClelland and one sister, Ora McClelland of Carmichaels. Funeral services were held Friday in the Condit Funeral Home, conducted by Rev. Alfred Smith. Interment in Glades Cemetery.

Local Reg. No. <u>97</u>		COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH VITAL STATISTICS		45711	
Primary Dist. No. <u>30908-280</u>		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		File No.	
1. PLACE OF DEATH a. County <u>GREENE</u> b. City, Borough or Township <u>RURAL-FRANKLIN</u> c. Length of stay in 1b. <u>15 DAYS</u> d. FULL NAME (If NOT in hospital, give street address) of HOSPITAL <u>GREENE COUNTY MEMORIAL</u> e. Is Place of Death Inside Municipality Limits? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>20</u>			2. USUAL RESIDENCE (where deceased lived. If institution: residence before admission) a. State <u>PA</u> b. County <u>GREENE</u> c. City, Borough or Township <u>Carmichaels Boro</u> <u>309</u> d. Street Address or Location <u>211 East Greene</u> e. Is Residence Inside Municipality Limits? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> f. Is Residence on a Farm? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print) a. (First) <u>MARY</u> b. (Middle) <u>JANE</u> c. (Last) <u>GUESMAN</u>			4. DATE OF DEATH (Month) (Day) (Year) <u>5</u> <u>5</u> <u>59</u>		
5. SEX <u>F</u>	6. COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	7. MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> NEVER MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOWED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DIVORCED <input type="checkbox"/>	8. DATE OF BIRTH <u>June 18, 1890</u> <u>68</u>		
10. FULL NAME OF SPOUSE <u>Riley Guesman</u>			11. BIRTHPLACE (Also give state or foreign country) <u>Carmichaels, Pa</u>		
13. FATHER'S NAME <u>Cephas McChellend</u>			14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME <u>Orpha Burnette</u>		
15. USUAL OCCUPATION (even if retired) <u>Household</u>			16. Social Security No. <u></u>		
17. INFORMANT <u>Mrs. Martin Riley Carmichaels Pa</u>			ADDRESS <u></u>		
18. CAUSE OF DEATH [Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b) & (c)]					
PART I. Death was caused by:					
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) <u>Extensive cerebral hemorrhage</u> <u>15 days</u>					
Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a) stating the underlying cause last. DUE TO (b) <u>Hypertensive brain disease</u>					
DUE TO (c) <u>Generalized arteriosclerosis obliterans</u> <u>448 X</u>					
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS [contributing to death but not related to the terminal disease given in Part I (a)]					
20a. ACCIDENT SUICIDE HOMICIDE <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED.		20c. Time of Injury Hour, m. E.S.T. Month, Day, Year	
20d. INJURY OCCURRED While at work <input type="checkbox"/> Not while at work <input type="checkbox"/>		20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., home, farm, factory, street, etc.)		20f. CITY, BOROUGH, TOWNSHIP COUNTY STATE	
21. I hereby certify that I attended the above named deceased and that death occurred at <u>10:20</u> m. E. S. T., from the causes and on the date state above.					
22a. SIGNATURE <u>A. C. Walker M.D.</u>		M.D. or D.O.		22b. ADDRESS <u>Wesportburg Pa</u>	
22c. DATE SIGNED <u>5-6-59</u>		23a. BURIAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CREMATION <input type="checkbox"/> REMOVAL <input type="checkbox"/>			
23b. DATE <u>May 8 1959</u>		23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY <u>Shades Cem</u>		23d. LOCATION (City, Boro., Twp. & County) (State) <u>Carmichaels Twp Greene Co. Pa.</u>	
24. DATE REC'D BY REG. <u>5-6-59</u>		25. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE <u>Sarah M. Linneman</u>		26. SIGNATURE OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR <u>Paul Lesako</u> ADDRESS <u>Carmichaels Pa.</u>	

Martin Riley Guesman was the son of Carey & Esther (Clark) Guesman, who were married 1875-1876 and were the parents of eight children. Carey was born 1 August 1858 PA (wrong year of birth on his gravestone), died 23 November 1930 Brownsville, Fayette County, PA. Esther & Carey were buried Redstone Cemetery, Brownsville, Fayette County, PA. In 1900 Carey was a second mate on a steamboat.



Form V. S. No. 5-50M-5-11-25

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**CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

1. PLACE OF DEATH  
County of Fayette  
Township of Brownsville Pa.  
or  
Borough of  
or  
City of Union St. Extension

Registration District No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Primary Registration District No. 26-01-84

File No. 105856  
Registered No. 451

2. FULL NAME Mr. Carry Guesman

[If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution give its NAME instead of street and number.]

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS					MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3. SEX <u>Male</u>	4. COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) <u>married</u>			16. DATE OF DEATH <u>11-23-1930</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)	
5a. If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of <u>Mrs. Estey Clark Guesman</u>					17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from, <u>Oct. 3, 1930</u> , to <u>Nov. 23, 1930</u> that I last saw him alive on <u>Nov. 23, 1930</u> and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at <u>2:00</u> p.m. The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>Alcoholic Cirrhosis</u> <u>122a-914</u> (duration) <u>4</u> yrs. <u>4</u> mos. <u>4</u> ds. CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) <u>Arteriosclerosis</u> (duration) <u>4</u> yrs. <u>4</u> mos. <u>4</u> ds.	
6. DATE OF BIRTH* (month, day, and year) <u>8-1-1858</u>					18. Where was disease contracted If not at place of death? _____	
7. AGE Years <u>72</u> Months <u>3</u> Days <u>23</u> IF LESS than 1 day, <u>23</u> hrs. of <u>23</u> min.					Did an operation precede death? _____ Date of _____	
8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work <u>Shayman</u> (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) (c) Name of employer					Was there an autopsy? _____	
9. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) <u>Pa.</u> (State or country)					What test confirmed diagnosis? (Signed) <u>LeRoy C. Trappner</u> M. D. <u>Nov. 25, 1930</u> (Address) <u>Brownsville Pa.</u>	
10. NAME OF FATHER <u>Isaac Guesman</u>					*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS AND NATURE OF INJURY, and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL. (See reverse side for additional space.)	
11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (city or town) <u>Pa.</u>					19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION OR REMOVAL <u>Redstone Cemetery</u>	
12. NAME OF MOTHER <u>Margaret Scholt</u>					DATE OF BURIAL <u>11-26-1930</u>	
13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (city or town) <u>Pa.</u>					20. UNDERTAKER <u>Art. Fioingy</u>	
14. Informant <u>Mrs. Carry Guesman</u> (Address) <u>Brownsville Pa.</u>					ADDRESS <u>Brownsville</u>	
15. Filed <u>Nov. 26, 1930</u> L. N. Reichard 11-3184 REGISTRAR						

Post-Gazette, Pittsburgh, PA, Tuesday, 25 November 1930 p16:

## Builds His Own Burial Vault; Dies Year Later at 73

BROWNSVILLE, Pa., Nov. 24. —(Special.)—Carry Guesman, 73, Brownsville township constable, who a year ago excavated and prepared burial vaults for himself and his wife in Redstone cemetery, died at his home today. His wife and four children survive. Burial will be Wednesday at 2:30 p. m.

The News Herald, Franklin, PA, Tuesday, 25 November 1930 p9:

**BROWNSVILLE—Carrey Guesman, 73, a farmer of Brownsville township, will be buried tomorrow in the burial vault which he built for himself and his wife a year ago. He died in his home yesterday. His widow and four children survive.**

Esther Clark, wife of Carrey Guesman, was born 9 June 1854 Carmichaels, Greene County, PA and died 13 April 1938 Fayette County, PA. She was buried Redstone Cemetery, Brownsville, Fayette County, PA. She was the daughter of William Clark & Elizabeth Taylor.

HVS-5-600M-9-26

Primary Dist. No. 26-01-84 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS 255 File No. 36595 Registered No. 117

**CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

1. PLACE OF DEATH  
County Fayette  
Township Brownsville  
Borough \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_  
(If death occurred in a HOSPITAL or INSTITUTION, give its NAME instead of street and number)  
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred 36 yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ days. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ days.

2. FULL NAME (type or print) MRS. ESTHER GUESMAN  
Residence: No. Unsub. Brownsville St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_  
(Usual place of abode) (If nonresident, give place, county, and State)

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

3. SEX Female 4. COLOR OR RACE White 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (write the word) Widowed  
5a. If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND or (or) WIFE of my Carrey Guesman  
6. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) 6-9-1854  
7. AGE Years 83 Months 9 Days 4 If LESS than 1 day, \_\_\_\_\_ hrs. or \_\_\_\_\_ mins.  
8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, bookkeeper, etc. Retired  
9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, sawmill, bank, etc. \_\_\_\_\_  
10. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year) \_\_\_\_\_ 11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
12. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Carmichaels - Pa.  
13. NAME William Clark  
14. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Carmichaels, Pa.  
15. MAIDEN NAME Elizabeth Taylor  
16. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Greene County, Pa.  
17. SIGNATURE (name and address) OF INFORMANT Delbert Guesman Brownsville Pa.  
18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL: Date 4-16-1938  
Redstone Cemetery County Fayette State Pa.  
19. UNDERTAKER (name and address) Alley W. King Brownsville Pa.  
20. FILED April 16, 1938 Carrie M. Claybaugh Registrar

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) 4-13-1938  
22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Apr. 12, 1938 to Apr. 13, 1938  
I last saw her alive on Apr. 13, 1938; death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at 4:16 P.M.  
The principal cause of death and related causes of importance were as follows: Apoplexy Date of onset 12a  
Other contributory causes of importance: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of operation \_\_\_\_\_ Date of \_\_\_\_\_  
What test confirmed diagnosis? \_\_\_\_\_ Was there an autopsy? \_\_\_\_\_  
23. If death was due to external causes (violence), fill in also the following:  
Accident, suicide, or homicide? \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Injury \_\_\_\_\_ 193  
Where did injury occur? \_\_\_\_\_ (Specify city or town, county, and State)  
Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place: \_\_\_\_\_  
Manner of injury \_\_\_\_\_  
Nature of injury \_\_\_\_\_  
24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, specify \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed) Elroy C. Waggoner M. D.  
(Address) Brownsville Pa.

Carey Guesman was the son of Isaac Newton Guesman & Margaret DeBolt / Delott. Isaac was born 15 October 1813 Virginia and died 17 October 1892 Preston, WV. Margaret was born c1820 PA and died 11 March 1876 Greene County, PA.