

OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY



Oscar Leroy Voight

Birth Oct 1878 in Nansemond Co., VA
Death 25 Jun 1912 in Norfolk, Virginia

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Spouse & Children



Alice L Wilkins
1874 – 1942



Annie Voight
1898 – 1910



Bertha M Voight
1899 –



John W Voight Sr.
1901 – 1970



Oscar Edward Voight
1903 – 1961



Jesse Thomas Voight Sr.
1905 – 1972



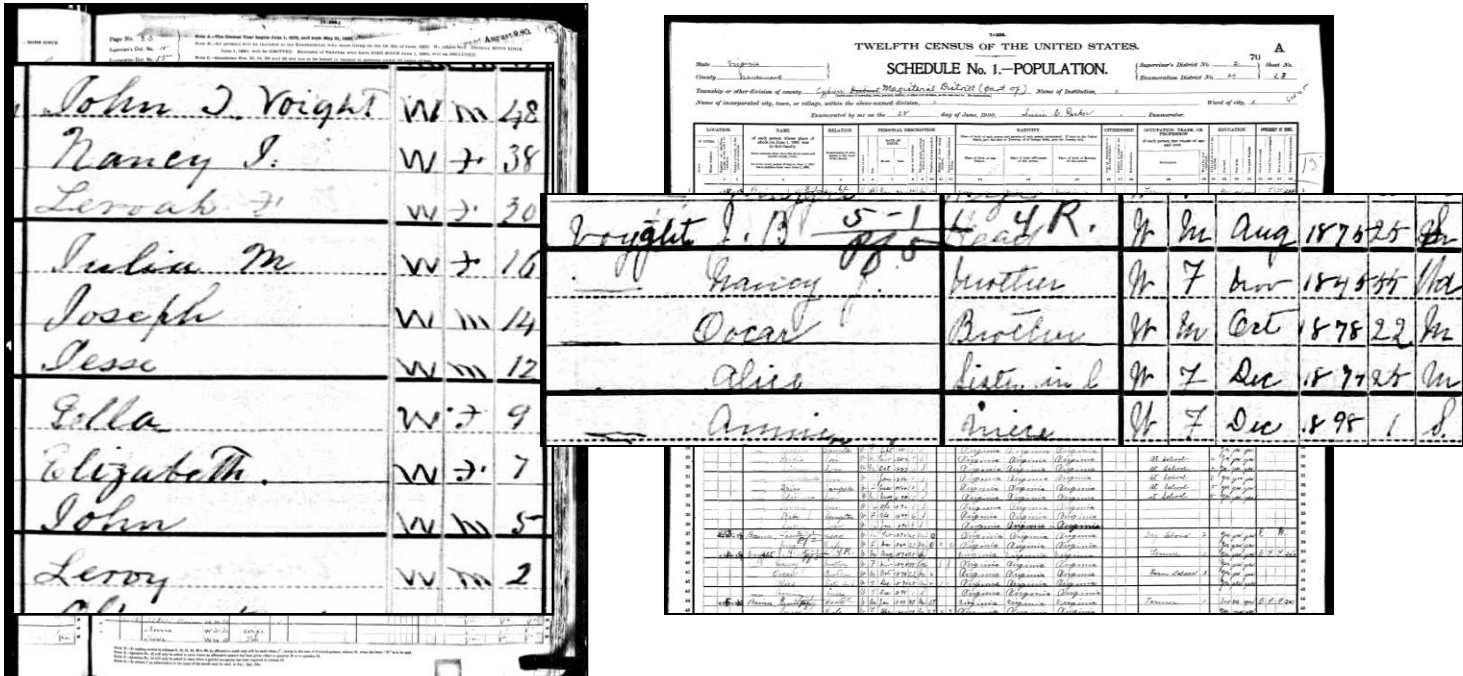
William Voight Jr.
1907 – 1909



Othar L. Voight Sr.
1910 – 1988

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Once again, the stories of the last two children of John T. and Nancy J. Voight are intertwined in the documents from 1880 till 1910. The brothers John B. and Oscar Leroy Voight were born in the 1870s. They grew up together and until Oscar died in 1912 they always lived close to each other and worked together, too, according to the records. Oscar Leroy was the 13th and youngest of the Voight children.



Above left: Nansmond County, VA, June 1880 census. “Leroy” is just two years old.

Above right: The next record of them is the 1900 Nansmond County census, where they are grown men. Oscar Leroy, his wife Alice Wilkins and their first child Annie, who is one year old, live with John B. Voight and their mother, the widow Nancy Jane Voight. They probably lived all together on the family farm in Whaleyville after John T. Voight died in 1899. Oscar is listed as a “farm laborer.”

Right: It’s not long before Oscar Leroy makes the news for his distillery operations. The courtroom drama surrounding the denial of his license to distill spirits in Suffolk made the Washington Post on April 8, 1905. The “young women” who “went to the judge’s bench and grasped his hand” sound as if they’re likely to be members of the Women’s Christian Temperance Union, leading the battle for Prohibition.

WHISKY LICENSE DENIED.

Refusal of Application Brings Congratulations to Judge at Suffolk.

Special to The Washington Post
Suffolk, Va April 7—The end of a bitter liquor fight at Harrell, Va., came in Nansmond Circuit Court this afternoon, when Judge Robert R Prentis denied the application of O L Voight for a license to distill whiskey and brandy. Several clergymen, about thirty young women, and a large crowd of witnesses packed the courtroom.

When Judge Prentis announced his decision there was subdued applause. Several young women went to the judge’s bench and grasped his hand. Fifteen licenses were granted in Suffolk, none being opposed.

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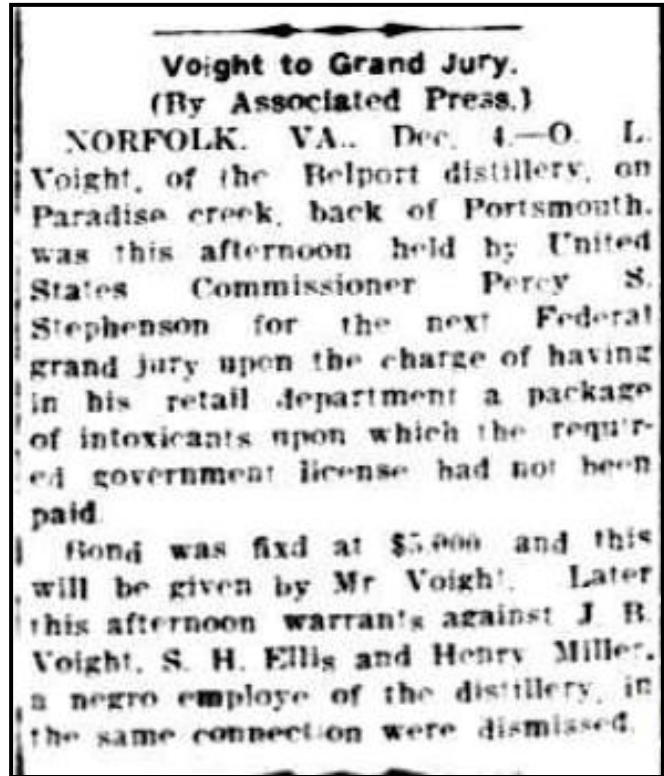
Right: Newport News *Daily Press*,
December 5, 1908.

About 3 ½ years later Oscar Leroy Voight was arrested for failure to pay tax on some of his spirits and he had to post a \$5000 bond. Charges were dropped later that same afternoon against his brother John B. Voight and two employees at the Belport distillery. Information about the outcome of this arrest is not readily available online at this time (2012).

Below: Oscar Leroy and John B. Voight are next-door neighbors in the Western Branch District of Norfolk in the 1910 census.

Undeterred by difficulties with the revenuers, each brother indicates his occupation is distiller of corn whiskey. Their mother Nancy Jane Voight is not mentioned and presumed deceased between 1900 and 1910.

Oscar Leroy, age 32, and Alice, 34, now have 5 children: Bertha M, age 11 (Where was Bertie at the time of the 1900 census? Maybe she's not really 11 years old.); John W, age 9; Oscar E, age 6; Jesse J, age 4; and the infant Othar whose name was misunderstood as "Arthur." Alice has had 6 children with 5 still living. The oldest child Annie is presumed deceased, likely from one of the lethal childhood illnesses that are prevented now by vaccinations. All the children of Alice and Oscar were probably all born here in rural Norfolk County.



STATE		COUNTY		TOWNSHIP OR OTHER DIVISION		NAME OF INSTITUTION		NAME		RELATION	FEDERAL RESERVATION	MARRIAGE		EDUCATION	INDUSTRY	PROPERTY	REMARKS
Virginia	Norfolk	Western Branch District															

Voight	John B	Head	M	W	34	M	7	None	Distiller	Corn Whiskey
	Rachel J	Wife	F	W	24	M	1	None		
	Alva G	Daughter	F	W	5			None		
Voight	Oscar L	Head	M	W	32	M	1	None	Distiller	Corn Whiskey
	Alice L	Wife	F	W	34	M	1	None		
	Bertha M	Daughter	F	W	11			None		
	John W	Son	M	W	9			None		
	Oscar E	Son	M	W	6			None		
	Jesse J	Son	M	W	4			None		
	Arthur F	Son	M	W	7/12			None		

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Oscar Leroy Voight died from appendicitis with complications in 1912. He was only 34 years old. He was buried in the same family cemetery with his father and his brother James in Whaleyville, VA. (Oscar's death certificate and photos from the cemetery are in the Addenda at the end of this chapter.)

We find Oscar's family back in Nansemond County in the Census of 1920, below, living next door to James M. Jones, who was the widowed husband of Oscar's sister Leona. Alice owns her land free and clear; it was probably part of the Voight family's original Cherry Grove Farm. The forty-five year old widow Alice Voight has 3 young boys still in school: Oscar E., age 16, Jesse T., age 14, and Othar L., age 10. The children can all read and write but Alice is illiterate. For "Occupation" Alice is listed as a farmer/operator. Bertie has married and left home. 18 year old John W. Voight has gone to work for his uncle Joseph Voight in Tanners Creek where he was counted in the census as part of Joseph Voight's household in 1920.

NAME	RELATION	SEX	AGE	EDUCATION	INDUSTRY	REMARKS
Voight, Alice E.	Head	F	45	W	F	
Oscar E.	Son	M	16	S		
Jesse T.	Son	M	14	S		
Othar L.	Son	M	10	S		
Jones, James M.	Head	M	62	W		
Dempsey	Son	M	28	S		
Annie	Daughter	F	25	S		
Hannie	Daughter	F	22	S		
Brimley, Alice	Servant	F	40	S		

Here's information connected to Oscar's wife Alice Wilkins from Carolyn Griffin of Summertown, TN:

"Alice E. Wilkins was born in 1875 in Nansemond Co. VA and married Oscar L. Voight. She was the daughter of George Wilkins and Ann Dunford. George Wilkins is in the Eason Voight Cemetery. [Photos from this cemetery are on the CD.] George Wilkins's father was Meredith Wilkins. Alice's brother Patrick H. Wilkins married Daisy Baines. [And the John Voight who married Barsheba Rawls had a daughter Nancy Ann Voight that married Quinton Baines. There are still other connections between the Baines and Voight families.]

Uncle Hurley was the Sheriff of Whaleyville for years and broke up lots of stills. He told me that Oscar and John left home to work in AMO factory in Baltimore and Oscar became a boxer." Carolyn added "My grandmother's sister married a Wilkins; his father was George Wilkins who married Ann Dunford. Their daughter Alice Wilkins married Oscar Leroy Voight."

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J. W. JACKSON & CO.
Contracting
PAINTERS
Paperhangers and Decorators
Factory Distributors
Wall Paper and Paints
304-306
28th St.
Phone 399

THE MORRIS PLAN BANK OF VIRGINIA
A State-Wide Savings Bank
2612 Washington Ave. Phone 622

(1935) HILL DIRECTORY CO'S

Tennessee J Bernard (c) atndt Tennessee's Place 156 W County
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Tennessee's Place (c) John J Tennessee) filling sta 58 W County
Tennis Melvin H pres Nelson Tennis Inc r Mill Creek
Tent Hall The (c) 29 Fox Hill rd
Terry Wm E (c; Armentress) lab r5 N Curry
THIGPPE WM L (Elsie F; Modern Barber Shop); h122 S Willard av. Tel 580
Thomas Edw driver Sunshiner's Taxi Service 19 E Mellen 21 fl
Thomas Edw (c) r21 Fulton
Thomas Eva L clk Shackleford Furn Store 220 E Mellen
Thomas Howard truck driver r27 Water
Thomas Joe O (Florence T) hpr h27 Water
Thomas Nathella M student r117 E Howard
Thompson Albert C (Sarah J) clk h100 E Kelly av
Thompson Alex (c) chauff r21 Tennis la
Thompson Jerry (c) h21 Libby
Thompson Julia (c) dom h217 Franklin
Thompson Lucy B (c) crab picker h121 E County
Thompson Mellen
Thurman S Puccin
Tidwell Filling st
Tilton Allyn
Tobin Wm
Todd Edw Jar av
Toelle Ida
Tommie S
Traybarn Mellen
Trubner Mallory
Trent Paul
Trout Edw E (Caldin) stud 170 1207 N Mallory
Troy Chauncey (c) r21 E County
Truheart Lucy (c) sch teach 191 W County
Tull John W (c; Phoenice L) stud h8 Fox Hill rd
Tullington Bernard J (Mattie D) clk r107 E Virginia av
Tullington Chas C (Bertha H) refrigeration eng h118 Armistead
Tullington Mattie D Mrs bkpr J T Workson & Son r107 E Virginia av
Tullington Norman H student r118 Armistead
Turner Cordelia (c) r112 1/2 W County
Turner Fannie C (wid Chas A) r29 E Taylor av
Turner Howard S clk r29 E Taylor av
Turner Jas L (Clara E) USA h122 E County
Turner John (c) presser Quality Clnrs 150 Clay
Turner Lonnie J (Henrietta C) h223 S Curry
Turner Nannie B (c) dom h15 Fulton
Turner Norman R policeman h29 E Taylor av
Turner Rufus S (c; Annie L) lab h54 Fox Hill rd
Turner Wm (c; Myrtle) lab h29 Bookler
Turner Wm H (Christina M) h120 S Curry
Tyler Benj C (Ella C) sheet metalwkr r 135 Sewell av
Tyler Chas L (Mary C) h206 S Curry
Tyler Eliu T r206 S Curry
Tyler Jas H (Ella R) h125 Sewell av
Tyler Jas H (Sarah R) driver Sunshiner's Taxi Service h19 Sewell av
Tyler Louise (c) h220 Webster
Tyler Victor A r125 Sewell av
Underwood Burton 19 Williams
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT—
Commissioner—Wm H Power S W Mellen
National Cemetery—W County, nr Fox Hill rd

I've had no luck finding Alice in the 1930 census records, but she does show up in the 1935 Newport News City Directory, left. Alice E Voight, the widow of Oscar, is living at 27 North Curry in Phoebus City. (Phoebus City listings are found in a section of the Newport News city directory.) She's the only Voight in town. Why did she move to Newport News? Maybe she had Wilkins relatives in the neighborhood?

Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, Store No 127 John B Kaiser mgr
37 E Mellen
Voight Alice E (wid Oscar L) r27 N Curry
Wadowitchz Wm A (Dorothy) USA h9



27 North Curry in Newport News (right) is a vacant lot in 2007.

Bertha Mae Voight

Birth 1899 in Virginia
Death unknown

Records show that Oscar Leroy's and Alice's oldest child, Bertha Mae Voight married George Lenwood (or Linwood) Guthrie from Suffolk. He was the oldest child of Alida L. and William W. Guthrie. Wm W. Guthrie was a "carriage painter" in the 1900 Suffolk census when young George was just 4 years old. Bertie and George had 3 children that we know of.

Spouse & Children	
	George Lenwood Guthrie 1895 – 1961
	George L Guthrie Junior 1920 – 2005
	Margery M Guthrie 1922 –
	Oscar L. Guthrie 1930 – 1995

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In 1920 Bertie and George Guthrie live in the town of Suffolk. They rent space in a two-family home at 223 Park St. George works as a plumber. They have no children yet, but Bertie might be pregnant.

STATE		COUNTY		TOWNSHIP OR OTHER DIVISION OF COUNTY		NAME OF INCORPORATED PLACE		BLK OF CITY		SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICT NO.		SHEET NO.	
Virginia		Suffolk		Suffolk		Suffolk		Suffolk		218		2 A	
FOURTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1920-POPULATION													
ENumerated by me on the 1st day of January, 1920													
PLACE OF BIRTH		RELATION		MARRIAGE		EDUCATION		OCCUPATION AND SERVICE		MILITARY SERVICE		REMARKS	
1	Blanchette	Wife											
2	Guthrie, George	Head	W	24									
3	Bertie Mae	Wife	F	20									
Plumber Plumbing Shop													

By 1930 George has become a career soldier stationed at Ft. Story, VA. He and Bertie live on the base in Princess Anne County and they have two children; George Jr. is 10 already and Margie M. is 8. They do not have a radio set.

STATE		COUNTY		TOWNSHIP OR OTHER DIVISION OF COUNTY		NAME OF INCORPORATED PLACE		BLK OF CITY		SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICT NO.		SHEET NO.	
Virginia		Princess Anne		Princess Anne		Ft. Story		Ft. Story		77-8		14	
FIFTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1930													
POPULATION SCHEDULE													
Enumerated by me on the 1st day of April, 1930													
PLACE OF BIRTH		RELATION		MARRIAGE		EDUCATION		OCCUPATION AND SERVICE		MILITARY SERVICE		REMARKS	
1	Guthrie, Leonard	Head	M	33									
2	Bertie M	Wife	F	30									
3	George Jr.	Son	M	10									
4	Margie M	Daughter	F	8									

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The Guthrie family is still at Ft. Story in 1940. 44 year old George L. Guthrie Sr. is a "painter" now and his son George L. Guthrie Jr. is a "sailor." Margery is 18 now and there's a son named Oscar who's 9. They pay \$14/ month rent on base. We find that George finished 6th grade and Bertie the 7th.

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	SEX	RACE	AGE	EDUCATION	OCCUPATION	INDUSTRY
Guthrie, George L.	Head	M	W	44	m	Painter	Construction Building
Bertie M.	Wife	F	W	41	m		
George L. Jr.	Son	M	W	20	S	Sailor	Virginia Pilot, Recreation
Margery	Daughter	F	W	18	S		
Oscar	Son	M	W	9	S		

After 1940 the online public record trail for Bertie runs cold, but there is more information about her husband and children. It seems that George Senior was in and out of the service. Here's his World War II draft registration. At 47, he's signed for the "old man's draft." It looks like he registered at a Princess Anne County address with a Norfolk address stapled to the front of the card. His mother Alida is the "person who will always know your address." George is described as 5'4", 138 pounds, with blue eyes, gray hair and a ruddy complexion.

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897)

SERIAL NUMBER: U 689 | NAME (Print): GEORGE L. GUTHRIE
 (Middle): LENWOOD | (Last): GUTHRIE

Address: 197D #1 - 40 Shelton's Pl., Robbins Corner, Norfolk, Va.

Place of Birth: 6 SUFFOLK, VA.

Date of Birth: VA. BORN 165-J-2 | SEPT 23 1895

Name and Address of Person Who Will Always Know Your Address: MRS. ALIDA GUTHRIE - CAPE HENRY - VA

Employer's Name and Address: SELF - PAINTER

Place of Employment or Business: (Blank)

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.

Signature: George L. Guthrie

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

RACE	HEIGHT (Approx.)	WEIGHT	COMPLEXION
White <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5-4"	138	Yellow
Negro			Light
			Ruddy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Oriental			Dark
			Red
			Brown
			Freckled
Indian			Black
			Light brown
			Dark brown
Philippine			Black

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification: NONE

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Registrar for Local Board: [Signature] (Number) [Blank] (City or county) [Blank] (State)

Date of registration: 4/21/47

Local Board No. 1 33
 Princess Anne Co. 149
 001

STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD: [Stamp]

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LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL GUTHRIE, George Lenwood		GRADE SFC	SERVICE NUMBER R-1288017	NAME OF CEMETERY HAMPTON NATIONAL	
DATES OF SERVICE ENLISTMENT: 9 Sep 1950 SEPARATION: 31 Jan 1957 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RETIRED <input type="checkbox"/> DIED ON AD		SERVICE DATA (Company, Regiment, Division, or other organization and basic arm of service) 612th Trans. Co., TC		CHECK IF REMAINS CREAMATED <input type="checkbox"/>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WW I <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WW II <input type="checkbox"/> KOREA <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Specify)		STATE Virginia	EMBLEM (Check one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CHRISTIAN <input type="checkbox"/> NONE <input type="checkbox"/> HEBREW <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Specify)		
DATE OF BIRTH MO DAY YEAR Sep 28 1895	DATE OF DEATH MO DAY YEAR Nov 26 1961	DATE OF INTERMENT MO DAY YEAR Nov 29 1961	GRAVE LOCATION SECTION GRAVE NO. H 447	DEPTH OF GRAVE 5 Ft.	CASKET IN <input type="checkbox"/> BOX <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VAULT <input type="checkbox"/> NONE
NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN OR OTHER RESPONSIBLE PERSON (Include postal zone and relationship) Mrs. Bertie H. Guthrie (Wife) SFC/Trans Corps/war II Copeland Lane Bayside, Va.			HEADSTONE OR MARKER ORDERED B 3092857 FEB 12 1962 Hampton, Va.		
REMARKS (Authority for interment, disinterment) AUTH: Msg #64 Army Br MPRO dtd 28 Nov 1961 VERMONT MARBLE CO. FROCTOR, VT.			SHIPPING POINT FOR HEADSTONE (Nearest freight station) B 3092857 FEB 12 1962 Hampton, Va.		
PLACE OF DEATH Naval Hosp., Portsmouth, Va.		RELIGIOUS DENOMINATION OF DECEDENT First Christian			
NAME OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR Holloman & Brown		NAME OF CHAPLAIN OFFICIATING AT BURIAL SERVICE Rev. J. E. Johnson			
TYPED NAME OF SUPERINTENDENT Samuel H. Davis, Jr.		SIGNATURE OF SUPERINTENDENT <i>Samuel H. Davis, Jr.</i>			



Bertie Voight Guthrie was still living in 1961 when she arranged for a veteran's burial for George at the Hampton National Cemetery. George served as a Sergeant First Class in the Army Transportation Corps in both WW I and WW II. He served again 1950 – 1957. Cemetery records do not indicate that Bertie was also buried here. Maybe she married again. Maybe she was cremated.

The Social Security Death Index tells us that the youngest child, Oscar L. Guthrie, died in Portsmouth in 1995. He was 65.

Name: Oscar L. Guthrie
SSN: 231-34-2468
Last Residence: 23703 Portsmouth, Portsmouth City, Virginia, USA
BORN: 21 Jul 1930
Died: 7 Sep 1995
State (Year) SSN issued: Virginia (Before 1951)

The obituary for George Guthrie Junior tells us that George Junior was also a WW II vet and that his sister Margie – married name “Ray” – was still living in 2005 and residing in Churchland, VA.

Published in the Greensboro NC *News and Record*:

GEORGE L. GUTHRIE JR.

JAMESTOWN— George Leonard* Guthrie Jr., died peacefully on Thursday, June 23, 2005, at Wesley Long Hospital. He was 85.

A celebration of life service will be held at 2 p.m. today at the Jamestown Presbyterian Church. The interment will be held Monday at the Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Athens, Ga.

Mr. Guthrie was a WW II veteran and an avid golfer. He had been employed at the Jamestown Golf Course for the past 20 years. He was also an elder with the Presbyterian Church for over 43 years. He is survived by his wife, Grace Evelyn Guthrie; daughter Evelyn Virginia Shedd and her husband, Lewis of San Bernardeo, Calif.; sister Margie Ray of Churchland, Va.; grandson Wayne Shedd and his wife, Denise; great-granddaughter Sunnie Shedd; and two nephews.

The family will receive visitors from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. today at the Hanes-Lineberry Funeral Home, Vanstory Chapel.

Why was he buried in Georgia? Was that his wife's home turf?

(*Middle name errors are too common. It's been written “Leonard,” “Lenwood” and “Linwood.”)

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State Maryland Incorporated place Baltimore, City Ward of city 26 Unincorporated place _____
 Township or other division of county _____ Block No. _____ Precinct _____
 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
 SIXTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES, 1942
 POPULATION SCHEDULE
 Recommended by me on April 9 1942
Virginia L. Coon Enumerator

NAME	RELATION	SEX	AGE	RACE	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	EDUCATION	INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT STATUS
<u>Voight John W</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>1901</u>	<u>Maryland</u>	<u>High School</u>	<u>Engineer</u>	<u>Employed</u>
<u>Edna</u>	<u>Wife</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>1910</u>	<u>Maryland</u>	<u>8th Grade</u>		<u>Unemployed</u>
<u>John</u>	<u>Son</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>1929</u>	<u>Maryland</u>	<u>High School</u>		<u>Unemployed</u>

NAME	RELATION	SEX	AGE	RACE	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	EDUCATION	INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT STATUS
<u>Virginia</u>	<u>Wife</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>1910</u>	<u>Maryland</u>	<u>8th Grade</u>		<u>Unemployed</u>
<u>Lucas</u>	<u>Son</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>1929</u>	<u>Maryland</u>	<u>High School</u>		<u>Unemployed</u>

NAME	FATHER	MOTHER	LANGUAGE	USUAL OCCUPATION	USUAL INDUSTRY	TREND	CODE
<u>Voight John</u>	<u>Virginia</u>	<u>Maryland</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>None</u>		<u>S</u>	<u>7</u>

SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS

1. PLACE OF BIRTH AND ANCESTRY

2. EDUCATION

3. MILITARY SERVICE

4. OCCUPATION AND INDUSTRY

5. HOUSEHOLD

6. HOUSEHOLD RELATIONS

7. HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS

8. HOUSEHOLD FACILITIES

9. HOUSEHOLD EXPENSES

10. HOUSEHOLD INCOME

11. HOUSEHOLD ASSETS

12. HOUSEHOLD LIABILITIES

13. HOUSEHOLD DEPENDENTS

14. HOUSEHOLD MOVEMENTS

15. HOUSEHOLD OCCUPATIONS

16. HOUSEHOLD INDUSTRIES

17. HOUSEHOLD EMPLOYMENT

18. HOUSEHOLD UNEMPLOYMENT

19. HOUSEHOLD LABOR FORCE

20. HOUSEHOLD LABOR UTILIZATION

21. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY

22. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX

23. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1942=100)

24. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1940=100)

25. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1930=100)

26. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1920=100)

27. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1910=100)

28. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1900=100)

29. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1890=100)

30. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1880=100)

31. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1870=100)

32. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1860=100)

33. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1850=100)

34. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1840=100)

35. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1830=100)

36. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1820=100)

37. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1810=100)

38. HOUSEHOLD LABOR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX (1800=100)



In 1940 Edna and John W. Voight are living at 500 Savage Street in Baltimore (right). Their son John Jr. is 13. They own this row house valued at \$3,500. We learn that John finished high school and Edna completed the 8th grade. John works as an “engineer” for the E?????? Company. John W. Jr. fell on a supplemental questions line, revealing no more significant information.

John W. Voight Sr. died in 1970 at age 69.
 Mary Edna Voight died in 1980, age 73.
 I'm unable to find their obituaries, but John and his wife are listed in the Social Security Death Index:

- | | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Name: | John Voight | Edna Voight |
| SSN: | 213-01-4624 | 218-12-3058 |
| Last Residence: | Baltimore, MD 21224 | Baltimore, MD 21224 |
| Born: | 13 Mar 1901 | 17 Oct 1906 |
| Died: | Mar 1970 | Jan 1980 |
| State (Year) SSN issued: | Maryland (Before 1951) | Maryland (Before 1951) |

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John W. Voight Jr. became a star athlete. Like his second cousin Michael R. Voight (a grandson of Oscar Leroy Voight's brother John B. Voight), John W. Voight Jr. was a star in both track and football when he was in college. Also like his cousin Michael, John W. Voight Jr. later became a highly respected high school football coach. This tribute appeared in the Baltimore *Sun* in June, 1993.

John W. Voight Jr., athlete and coach, June 12, 1993

John Wesley Voight Jr., a Baltimore native and retired football coach and athletic director in Prince George's County, died Wednesday at the Washington Hospital Center in the District of Columbia of complications from a stroke.

He was 66 and had lived on South Savage Street in Baltimore for about the last eight months. Before then, he lived in Greenbelt and, earlier, in Silver Spring for many years.

Mr. Voight was a member of All-American track teams at Patterson Park High School and Oklahoma State University.

In 1990, he retired from High Point High School in Beltsville, where he had been athletic director, a physical education teacher and football coach whose teams won five county championships. He had also been an assistant track coach and coached golf and tennis teams.

He started his coaching career in Prince George's in the mid-1950s, moving to High Point after short stays at Oxon Hill High School and John Hanson Junior High School.

Born in Baltimore, he graduated in 1946 from Patterson Park, where he won letters in football, baseball, basketball and track.

In 1946, he was named to an All-Eastern track team and to the Look magazine All-American track team. Four years later, he was named an All-American in track at Oklahoma State, at that time the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College.

In 1947, he won the Amateur Athletic Union national pentathlon championship and in 1951 its national all-around championship, which involved 10 different track and field events.

In 1951, he ran 400- and 1,600-meter relay races for the United States team in the Pan American Games. He was ranked among the top 10 quarter-milers and long jumpers in the U.S. and in the world and was a member of teams that competed in South Africa, Portugal, New Zealand and Chile in the early 1950s.

He also competed for the Baltimore Olympic Track and Field Club, and held its record of 1 minute, 11.5 seconds for the 600-yard run. The club disbanded shortly after naming him to its Hall of Fame in 1975.

He was named to the Oklahoma State University Track and Field Hall of Fame in 1982 and to the Maryland Athletic Hall of Fame in 1984.

He entered the Army in 1952 before beginning his teaching and coaching career.

Services for Mr. Voight were to be conducted at 9:30 a.m. today at the Ruck Towson Funeral Home, 1050 York Road.

He is survived by an aunt, Catherine Foreman of Bel Air.

FOOTNOTE: Since 1994 the **John W. Voight Award** has been given annually by the Maryland Football Coaches Association to "outstanding assistant coaches in the state of Maryland with at least 20 years of loyal service."

OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY

Oscar Edward Voight

Birth 1 June 1903 in Virginia

Death January 1961 in Baltimore, MD

Spouse & Children

 **Alphonsine Smart**
1906 – 1986

 **Thomas O Voight**
1927 – 1991

 **Alice Anne Voight**
1932 –

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- " Eliz h15 n Fulton av
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- " Geo C corres r2729 Overland av
- " Geo L (Nellie G) cigars 501 w Balte h503 do
- " Geo O E (Rose) slsmn r1805 Rayner av
- " Geo W (Mary C) cement contr h2729 Overland av
- " Gustav piano mkr res Pasadena
- " Harry W baker r1805 Rayner av
- " Henry A (Hattie L) jwlr h3424 Park Hts av
- " Henry W P baker 1805 Rayner av h do
- " Herman A (Frances) phys 117 w Saratoga h do
- " Herman L phys r St Joseph Hosp
- " Hugo W artist r3424 Park Hts av
- " Jacob A (Katie) enameler h119 s Schroeder
- " Lillie M slsldy r3404 n Hilton
- " Margt sorter r234 e Franklin av
- " Oscar (Alphonsine) mldr h601 Rapallo
- " Othar shtmtlwrk r601 Rapallo
- " Otto H hlpr r1645 Covington
- " Richd (Vienna Delicatessen) h1317 n Charles
- " Vernon J (Edith) linemn r424 s Hanover
- " Victor (Mary) carp h813 s Ann
- " Walker T dentist 140 w Fayette h3430 Park Hts av
- " Wm H (Lillian H) buyer h2502 St Paul

There are a lot of Voights in the 1928 Baltimore city directory. Oscar E. Voight is a Molder, married to Alphonsine Smart. Brother Othar Voight is a bachelor and a sheet metal worker living with Oscar and Alphonsine. (As we saw in the city directory on the previous page, by 1937 Oscar had been promoted to a foreman.)

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Anna (wid Ann) r115 Wilmett av
Bernhard (Hermann) carp h1645 Covington
Carl F (Lillian) h2821 Murray
Carlton (Mortie E) ch r1200 s Sharp
Carlton ch 217 Waveling
Edgar extractor r234 s Franklin av
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David ch r1824 Jefferson
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Oscar and Alphonsine Voight's home at 601 Rappolla Street. ("Rappolla" is the Google Maps spelling.) More Baltimore row houses!

OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY

By 1940 Oscar and Alphonine moved in with her parents and sister – Thomas, Eleanora and Mary Smart – at 1704 DeSoto Rd in Baltimore. It was a short move from their 1937 address at 1711 DeSoto as noted on page 10 of this chapter. Oscar is an oiler – does that say for “oil burning ships”? Thomas Voight is now 13 and daughter Alice Anne is 8. We learn that Oscar finished high school and Alphonine the 8th grade. The Smarts own this home valued at \$5,000.

Oscar Edward Voight died in 1961. He was still young, only 58. Here’s his listing in the Social Security Death Index:
 Name: Oscar Voight
 SSN: 213-01-4633
 Born: 1 Jun 1903
 Died: Jan 1961
 State (Year) SSN issued: Maryland (Before 1951)

OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY

I've been unable to track the daughter Alice Anne Voight, but there is death information for Oscar E. Voight's wife, son and daughter-in-law available online.

Alphonsine Voight Social Security Death Index

Name: Alphonsine Voight

SSN: 217-01-6348

Last Residence: 21222 Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland, United States of America

Born: 29 Sep 1906

Died: May 1986

State (Year) SSN issued: Maryland (Before 1951)

U.S. Veterans Gravesites, ca.1775-2006

Name: **Thomas O Voight**

Service Info.: TEC 5 US ARMY WORLD WAR II

Birth Date: 3 Jan 1927

Death Date: 7 Oct 1991

Service Start Date: 23 Jun 1945

Service End Date: 15 Feb 1947

Interment Date: 11 Oct 1991

Cemetery: Baltimore National Cemetery

Cemetery Address: 5501 Frederick Avenue Baltimore, MD 21228

Buried At: Section J Site 1223

U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946

Name: Thomas O Voight

Birth Year: 1927

Race: White, citizen (White)

Nativity State or Country: Maryland State: Maryland County or City: Baltimore City

Enlistment Date: 23 Jun 1945

Enlistment State: Maryland Enlistment City: Baltimore

Branch: No branch assignment

Branch Code: No branch assignment

Grade: Private

Grade Code: Private

Term of Enlistment: Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law

Component: Selectees (Enlisted Men)

Source: Civil Life

Education: 3 years of high school

Marital Status: Single, without dependents

Sun, The (Baltimore, MD) - March 22, 2006

Voight, June Emma Lee

On March 20, 2006, June Emma Lee Voight (nee Lueckert). Beloved wife of the late Thomas O. Voight; devoted mother of Gale Voight-Carter and her husband Dennis, Dawn L. Kerner and her husband John, Sandra L. Trimble and her husband Frank and the late Paula Jean Voight; loving grandmother of Dana L., Denice L. and Dennis R. Carter, II, Jason E. Kerner, Scott L., Thomas N. and Frank E. Trimble, IV; great-grandmother of Dennis R. Carter, III, Makenzie L. Kerner and Nathan T. Trimble. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church, 10003 Bird River Road, on Thursday, 10am. Visiting hours will be held at the Connelly Funeral Home of Essex, 300 Mace Avenue on Tuesday, 6 to 8pm and Wednesday, 2 to 4pm and 6 to 8m. Interment Baltimore National Cemetery.

OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY

Jesse Thomas Voight Sr.

Birth June 25, 1905 in Virginia

Death October 1972 in Baltimore, MD



Spouse & Children

Katherine Hearl
1909 – 2000

Gene Voight
1927 –

Margaret Voight
1930 – 1930

Bonnie Voight
1932 –

Jesse Thomas Voight Jr
1934 – 2003

Robert Leroy Voight
1936 – 1949

Jesse T. Voight's family was counted in the 1930 Baltimore census, below. Jesse, 24, and his wife Katherine Hearl Voight, a 17 year old native of Maryland, were married in 1926. They have a 2 ½ year old son named Gene, misspelled "Jean" here by the census taker. A daughter Margaret was born and died as an infant before the census was taken.

Info from the census: Jesse and Katherine owned their home valued at \$5,300 and they did not have a radio set. Jesse worked as a "moulder" at an enamel factory. They lived at 630 Ponce Street in Baltimore.

PLACE OF BIRTH		NAME	RELATION	BIRTH DATA	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION	EDUCATION	PLACE OF BIRTH	INDUSTRY, TRADE, BUSINESS, OR SERVICE	CITIZENSHIP, ETC.	OCCUPATION AND INDUSTRY	VALUE	EMPLOYMENT	REMARKS
1		Hughes Eugene	Son	25 10 1905	W 5 2 1/2	12	Virginia	English	None	None	24	M	21
2		Katherine Hearl	Wife	25 10 1909	W 5 2 1/2	12	Maryland	English	None	None	17	F	17
3		Jean	Son	25 10 1927	W 5 2 1/2	12	Maryland	English	None	None	2 1/2	M	2 1/2
4		Jesse Thomas	Head	25 6 1905	W 5 2 1/2	12	Virginia	English	None	Moulder	5300	M	24
5		Katherine Hearl	Wife	25 10 1909	W 5 2 1/2	12	Maryland	English	None	Enamel Factory	None	F	17
6		Jean	Son	25 10 1927	W 5 2 1/2	12	Maryland	English	None	None	None	M	2 1/2

OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY

Jesse and Katherine Voight's 1940 home on Englewood Ave in Woodlawn MD is now the China Wok restaurant. Photo taken in 2009, courtesy of Google maps.



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The 1959 City Directory for Baltimore shows Jesse and Katherine have moved to 6405 Gilmore Street in Woodlawn, MD (photo below).

In 2012 the Zillow real estate web site shows 6405 Gilmore as a single family home built in 1925 with 1,152 sq ft on a 7,000 sq ft lot. It last sold in Oct 1993 for \$67,450. Zillow estimates the market value in 2012 at \$119,425. The house is "not on the market at this time." When the Voight family lived here there was a large porch across the front of the house and part way down one side.



OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY

Jesse's son Robert died in 1949, age 13. Two of Jessie's children are alive and well in 2012, Gene Voight and Bonnie Stith. There is death information on line for Jesse Thomas Voight Sr., his wife Katherine, son Jesse Voight Junior and Barbara Kemp.

Social Security Death Index

Name: **Jesse Voight**

SSN: 213-01-4635

Last Residence: 21207 Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland, United States of America

Born: 25 Jun 1905

Died: Oct 1972

State (Year) SSN issued: Maryland (Before 1951)

Social Security Death Index

Name: **Katherine Voight**

SSN: 218-10-8069

Last Residence: 21784 Sykesville, Carroll, Maryland, United States of America

Born: 31 Aug 1909

Died: 6 Jan 2000

State (Year) SSN issued: Maryland (Before 1951)

From the *Carroll County Times*

Jesse T. Voight Jr.

Jesse Thomas Voight Jr., 68, formerly of Westminster, Md. died Aug. 13, 2003 at Virginia Beach General Hospital.

Born Sept. 15, 1934 in Baltimore, Md., he was the son of the late Jesse T. Voight Sr. and Katherine Hearl Voight. He was the husband of Barbara A. Kemp Voight who died Dec. 24, 2002.

Before retiring, he worked for the City of Baltimore for 44 years as an engineer and also worked for Sears for 19 years. He served in the U.S. Army.

He is survived by sons and daughters-in-law, Jay C. and Kathy Voight of Westminster, Md., Steven J. and Michele Voight of Clearwater, Fla.; daughter and son-in-law, Maryann and Scott Carlton of Virginia Beach; brother, Gene Voight of Eldersburg, Md.; sister, Bonnie Stith of Woodlawn, Md.; and grandchildren, Timothy C. Voight of Westminster, Krista L., Corinne N. and Jacqueline Carlton, all of Virginia Beach, Ryan J. and Tyler F. Voight, both of Clearwater, Fla. He was predeceased by a brother, Robert Voight and sister, Margie Voight.

A funeral will be held Tuesday at 4 p.m. in Fletcher Funeral Home, 254 E. Main St., Westminster, Md., by the Rev. David S. Schafer. Interment will be private. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday and 5 to 8 p.m. Monday.

The *Virginian-Pilot* (Norfolk, VA) – December 27, 2002

Deceased Name: **Barbara A. Voight**

Barbara A. Kemp Voight, 63, formerly of Westminster, Md., passed away Dec. 24, 2002 in her residence.

Mrs. Voight was born in Binghamton, N.Y. and was the daughter of the late Alexander Perry Kemp and Catherine Reilly Kemp. She attended Church of the Ascension Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband of 46 years, Jesse T. Voight Jr.; two sons, Jay Cameron Voight of Westminster, Md. and Steven James Voight of Clearwater, Fla.; a daughter, Maryann Carlton of Virginia Beach; six grandchildren, Timothy Cameron Voight of Ellicott City, Md., Krista Lee Carlton, Corinne Nicole Carlton, Jacqueline Rose Carlton, all of Virginia Beach, Ryan James Voight and Tyler Frank Voight, both of Clearwater; her mother, Catherine Reilly Kemp of Virginia Beach; two brothers, William Kemp of Currituck, N.C. and John Kemp of Mishawaka, Idaho; and a sister, Elizabeth Reid of Virginia Beach.

The family will receive friends today from 2 to 4 p.m. at H.D. Oliver Funeral Apartments, Laskin Road Chapel. A chapel service will be conducted at 8 p.m. today at the funeral home with visitation one hour before the service. On Saturday the family will again receive friends at the funeral home from 2 to 4 p.m. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY

Othar L. Voight Sr.

Birth 7 Jan 1910 in Virginia

Death 8 April 1988 in Sheridan, WY

The unusual name "Othar" means sickly and weak. It's hard to imagine why Alice and Oscar named their youngest child "Othar." Our Othar Leroy Voight was certainly not a weak and sickly man.

We saw him as a sheet metal worker in 1928, living in Baltimore with Oscar and Alphonsine. He left their home before the 1930 census. Apparently Othar decided to seek his fortune in the U. S. Navy.

Although Othar only finished the 9th grade, he took full advantage of all the educational opportunities in the service. Enlisting in 1931, Othar went far in his proud Navy career. He was a Lt.(jg) by the end of WW II and he retired as a Lieutenant Commander in 1959.

Spouse & Children



Annie Brassfield Woods
1915 – 1986



James Voight
-



Othar Leroy Voight Jr.
-



This clipping from the July 11, 1958 edition of *The Derrick* from Oil City, PA, tells us that Othar was the officer in charge of the Pittsburgh Navy Recruiting District.

LT. COMMANDER OTHAR L. VOIGHT, officer in charge of the Pittsburgh Navy Recruiting District, visited the Oil City-navy recruiting station yesterday on an inspection tour of the tri-state area. Left to right are: Thomas M. Yost, IM1; Harry C. Cravey, YNC; Commander Voight and Charles E. Lankerd, EN1, local navy recruiter.

OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY

Annie died in 1986, Othar in 1988. They are buried in the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery in Sheridan WY

U.S., Department of Veterans Affairs BIRLS Death File, 1850-2010

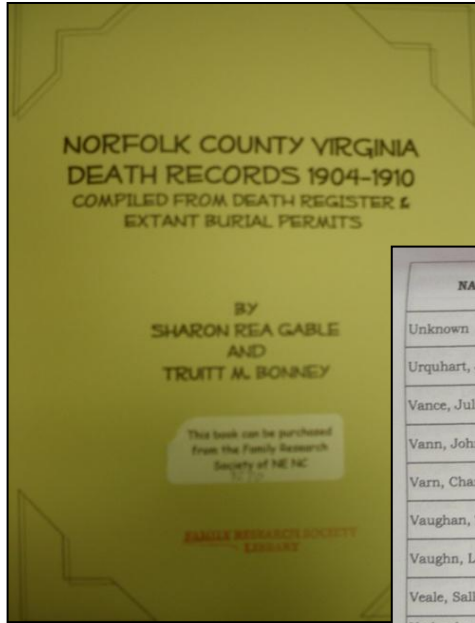
Name: Othar Voight
Birth Date: 7 Jan 1910
Death Date: 8 Apr 1988
SSN: 176322094
Branch 1: NAVY
Enlistment Date 1: 17 Dec 1931
Release Date 1: 1 Jul 1959

SOCIAL SECURITY DEATH INDEX

Name: Othar L. Voight
SSN: 176-32-2094
Last Residence: 82801 Sheridan,
Sheridan, Wyoming, United States of America
Born: 7 Jan 1910
Died: 8 Apr 1988
State (Year) SSN issued: Pennsylvania (1956-1958)



OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY



ADDENDA

“Norfolk County Virginia Death Records 1904 - 1910,” found at the Family Research Society of Northeastern North Carolina in Elizabeth City, reveals that Oscar Leroy and Alice Voight had another child called William Voight Jr., who died on September 18, 1909, age 2 years and 19 days.

NAME	DIED	AGE	RACE / SEX / STATUS	PLACE OF BIRTH	PARENTS	FUNERAL HOME	CEMETERY
Unknown	29-Jun-1907		W / M /			Rach & Smith	
Urquhart, J. Ruffin	25-Apr-1909	35	C / M / S	Lewiston NC	Granville Urquhart & Mary Williams	John T. Fisher	Mt. Calvary
Vance, Julia F.	3-Jun-1904	1y 1m 10d	W / F / S	NC	C.B. & Ellen Vance	Sturtevant & Specht	Copenoke NC
Vann, Johnie	4-Oct-1907	1	C / M / S	VA	Charles & Maggie Hall	John H. Robinson	Mt. Olive
Varn, Charlie	16-Mar-1910	17	C / M / S	NC	George Varn & Gertie Sessoms	Arthur Copeland	Churchland VA
Vaughan, Thomas J.	19-Feb-1904	76	W / M / M	Nansemond Co. VA	Joseph & Mary Vaughan	Joseph E. Snellings	Suffolk VA
Vaughn, Lula	26-Nov-1907	11m	C / F / S	Pinners Point VA	Robert & Lula Vaughn	John T. Fisher	Mt. Calvary
Veale, Sallie	18-Feb-1907	26	C / F / S	Portsmouth VA	John & Lucrecia Veale	George H. Colden	Mt. Olive
Verlander, Christopher	19-Oct-1907	2	W / M / S	Pinners Point VA	Christopher & Florence Verlander	Snellings, King & Cooper	Oak Grove
Vick, Virginia	16-Feb-1909	40	C / F / M	VA	Isaac Brown & Virginia Vick	George H. Colden	Mt. Olive
Vinsent, B.F.	27-Apr-1905	37	C / M / S	Northampton Co. VA	Fred & Alice Vinsent	Rach & Smith	Mt. Olive
Voight, William, Jr.	18-Sep-1909	2y 19d	W / M / S	VA	O.L. Voight & Alice E. Wilkins	Sturtevant & Specht	Whaley VA
Waddie, Infant	30-May-1907	still born	C / F / S	Portsmouth VA	Henry Waddie & Eller Hill	Grogan & Sampson	Mt. Olive

Permit No. 8675 HEALTH DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NORFOLK, VIRGINIA
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 641

1- PLACE OF DEATH Registered No. _____
 City of Norfolk (No. St. Vincent Hospital Ward) (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number and fill out No. 18.)

2- FULL NAME Oscar L. Voight
 (Length of Residence in Norfolk Yrs. _____ Mos. _____ Days.)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3-SEX Male 4-COLOR OR RACE White 5-STATUS SINGLE
 6-DATE OF BIRTH _____ Month _____ Day _____ Year _____
 7-AGE 36 yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. or _____ min. If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs.

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

9-BIRTHPLACE State or Country Virginia

10-NAME OF FATHER John T. Voight
 11-BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER Virginia
 12-MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Nancy J. Rodgers
 13-BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER Virginia

14-THIS ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
 Informant Joseph Voight
 Address 432 29th St Norfolk

15-FILED _____, 1912 REGISTRAR.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16-DATE OF DEATH June 25, 1912
 Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

17- I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from April 29, 1912 to June 25, 1912, that I saw him alive on June 24, 1912 and that death occurred on the date stated above, at 7:30 P. M. The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Appendicitis
 Duration yrs. 1 mos. _____ ds.
 Contributory (Secondary) Pyemia
 Duration yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
 Signed J. R. Spught M. D.
June 26, 1912 Address 384 Fernmount

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

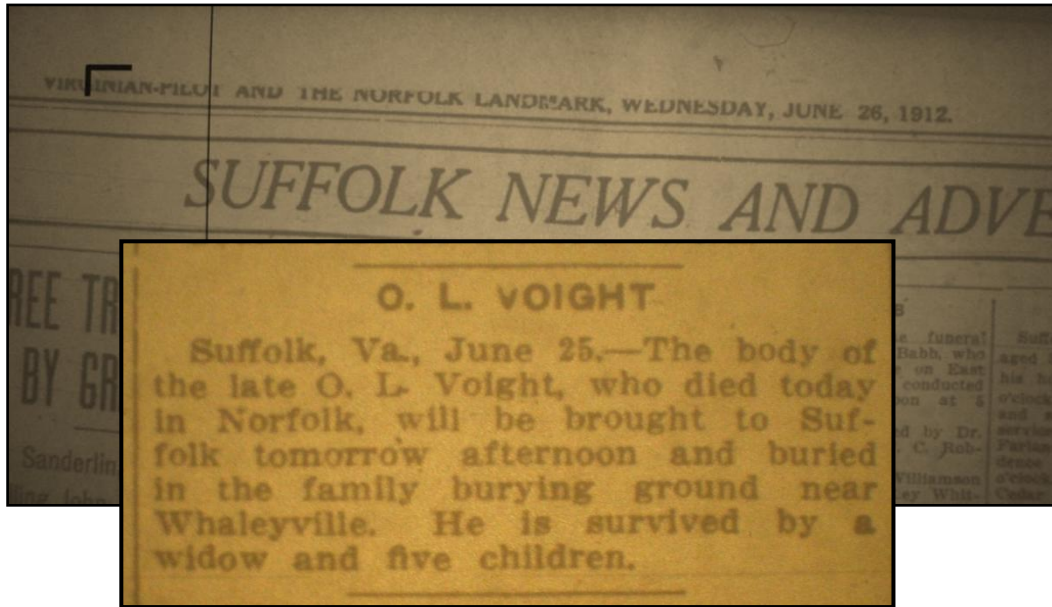
18-LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR RECENT RESIDENTS)
 At place of death yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. In the _____ State yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
 Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death?
 Former or usual residence _____

19-PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL DATE OF BURIAL
Whaley VA June 25, 1912
 20-UNDERTAKER ADDRESS
H. B. Smith Norfolk VA

Oscar Leroy Voight was only 36 years old in 1912 when he died in Norfolk’s St. Vincent Hospital from appendicitis and pyemia, a type of blood poisoning with widespread abscesses.

We know he was a distiller but the certificate says he was a “merchant,” which is vague enough. Oscar was buried in “Whaley VA.”

OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY



There was only a small notice of Oscar's death in the *Virginian-Pilot and the Norfolk Landmark*.

Oscar and later Alice were buried in a small family plot in Whaleyville, Virginia, on the land of the old Cherry Grove Farm that once belonged to Oscar's parents John T. Voight and Nancy Jane Rogers. Oscar was born and raised on this land.

Oscar's stone suggesting a Christmas birthday is contradicted by the 1900 census which gives October 1878 for his birth.

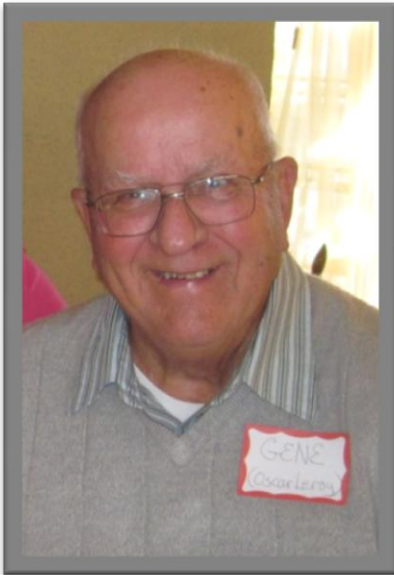
Gene Voight Senior and other Voight descendents visited the cemetery on November 11, 2012, to pay their respects.



OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY



Gene Voight Senior, seated far right, met with descendents of some of Oscar Leroy's siblings in November, 2012: BACK ROW – second cousins once removed: BETTY EVANS and LYNETTE WHITE (great-granddaughters of Sally Voight White) and KAYE HOLLOWELL BARKER (great-granddaughter of Emily Julia Voight Mathias.) FRONT ROW- second cousins THOMAS P. WHITE (grandson of Sallie White), JACKIE BALLANCE (granddaughter of Joseph Voight), WILLIAM J. HOLLOWELL (grandson of Emily Mathias) and GENE VOIGHT (grandson of Oscar Leroy Voight.)



Gene T. Voight Senior (again, the son of Jesse Thomas Voight Sr. and the grandson of Oscar Leroy Voight) was a significant source of information and photos for this project. He is a retired printer, having worked as a production manager for Lewis Direct Mail Marketing. For twenty years he also ran his own offset printing business called Court Printing from his basement in Randallstown, MD.

As a young man Gene served two tours as a corpsman in the U.S. Navy, 1945 – 1948 and again 1950 – 1951, working for a while in a hospital, then aboard a couple destroyers and finally in the dispensary at the Naval Air Station in Lexington Park, MD. In 1953 he married Claudette Bray. They had four children: Gene Junior, Robert (Bobby), Russell and Sue Ellen. Claudette died from cancer in 1997; that same year Gene finally retired. In 2002 Gene was married again, to Jane Eckels, a widow who had been a high school acquaintance back in 1944. After decades of living their lives, and raising their families, they became reacquainted at the condo complex where they were both living and discovered a genuine friendship that led to a happy second marriage for both of them.

Thank you, Gene, once more and forever for your kindness, your generosity and your encouragement for the entire Voight Family History Project.

OSCAR LEROY VOIGHT FAMILY STORY



ABOUT PICKLES

The Voight Brothers had a reputation as “movers and shakers” in Norfolk before Prohibition.

In a conversation with William Henry Voight's grandson Melvin Liles in March 2013, he shared a story that for many years the Voight brothers permanently kept a suite on the top floor of the Monticello Hotel in downtown Norfolk for parties and business entertaining.

This photo of the hotel copied from the Sargeant Memorial Collection at the Norfolk Public Library.

The Monticello Hotel.

The Monticello opened in 1898, and burned on New Year's Day 1918. It was rebuilt, with two additional stories, a year later. The building was demolished in 1976 to make way for the new Federal Building.

Mel added that the Voights sold whiskey wholesale in 55 gallon barrels for which they had a wagon specially made to haul the whiskey to town. (Mel's grandfather Charles Liles drove the wagon for the Voights and that's how he met Mel's grandmother Emma Voight.) Jesse T. Voight, John B. Voight and Oscar Leroy Voight, were known distillers from the turn of the Century until (and, no doubt, well into) Prohibition. Grandchildren of the brothers William Henry Voight, John B. Voight and Joseph Voight remember hearing about the Voight pickle business. I've searched without success to find any record of it. I found Nineteenth Century newspaper ads for Voight brand flour, but nothing about pickles. Seems like “pickles” was what they told the children and the revenueurs about the family business. Most of the evidence suggests that the family business was corn whiskey. I suppose their products could have produced some pretty pickled people.

Mel Liles also reported that 3 of the Voight brothers together weighted 1,000 pounds. That would be Oscar Leroy and John B. Voight, but who was the third? Maybe the third 300 pound sibling was the sister Emily. Photos of these three are available in their individual chapters of our Voight Roots.