

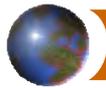


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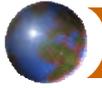
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KERRIGAN—In this city, Oct 19, John J., infant son of Dennis and Amelia Kerrigan, 1 yr 23 ds. Funeral from parents' residence, 0 Baldwin pl, off Salem st, Saturday, Oct 21, at 2:30. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited.

LIBBEY—In this city, Oct 19, suddenly, of rheumatism of the heart, Mary A., widow of James B. Libbey, 69 yrs 3 mos. Funeral services at the church of the Good Shepherd, Cortes st, Saturday, at 12:30 p.m.

MELVIN—In Charlestown, Oct 19, Patrick Melvin, 65 yrs. Funeral from late residence, No. 30 Everett st, Saturday, at 8:30. High mass at St Catherine's church at 9, thence to Malden for interment. Relatives and friends respectfully invited.

MURRAY—In Boston Highlands, Oct 19, of diphtheria, Kittle, beloved daughter of Thomas J. and Susan Murray, 3 Valentine st, 16 yrs, 5 mos 6 ds.

MURPHY—In this city, Oct 18, Margaret, beloved wife of William Murphy, 44 yrs. Funeral from her late residence, No 12 Division st, Friday, Oct 20, at 8:30 a.m. Services at the church of the Immaculate Conception at 9 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Full River papers please copy.

NEWTON—In Atlantic, Oct 19, Charles B. Newton, Funeral services under the auspices of St. Joseph's, 84 T. O. St., at Orléans' hall, Neponset, Sunday, at 2 o'clock. All brothers invited to attend. Burial at Hudson, Mass. Monday. Hink-

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STONE—In Dorchester, Wednesday, Oct 16, at 10.45 p m, Mrs Lucy Stone, 75 yrs 2 mos 5 ds. Funeral services will be held in the church of the Disciples, W. Brookline st and Warren av, on Saturday, Oct 21, at 2 p m. Brief memorial addresses will be made by F. W. Higginson, Mrs Julia Ward Howe, William Lloyd Garrison and others. All friends and others interested are invited to attend without further notice.

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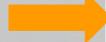
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DOWSE—Walter S. Dowse of 6227 S. Ingalls, Chicago, passed away in Kenosha, Wednesday afternoon at 60 years of age. He is survived by three brothers, Carlton of Chicago, Milton of Kenosha, Richard of Kenosha. Funeral services Saturday at 3 p. m. (C. S. 72.) at the Hansen funeral home, 6019 7th avenue, Kenosha, Wis. Kenosha may call afternoon on Friday. Interment Spring Brook cemetery, Kenosha. Lodge of Masons will assist in the service.

DUNCOMBE—Clara Duncombe, beloved wife of the late John E., dear mother of Katherine, sister of Mrs. George Chavort, and Roland and Walter Ashby of England. Funeral Saturday, 3 p. m., at chapel, 5511 W. Madison street, at Mason avenue, under the auspices of St. George chapel, No. 850, O. E. S. Interment Acacia Park, 2818-Brook 8700.

FELDMAN—Max Feldman of 3541 W. 13th place, dearly beloved husband of Rebecca, nee Dubinsky, loving father of Marion, Benjamin, Dave, and Bernice Baranoch, six grandchildren. Service Friday, 2:30 p. m., at chapel, 3600 W. Roosevelt road, Interment Cong. Ande Harris cemetery, Waukegan. Member of Cleaners, Dyers & Pressers union, local No. 3.

FOLLINGER — Clara I. Follinger, June 25, 1952, beloved wife of Frederick A., fond sister of Truman Yale of Ohio. At chapel, 8501 N. Ashland avenue, where services will be held Saturday, June 28, 3 p. m. Interment Fort Wayne, Ind.

LINDUSKA—Frank Linduska of 1614 S. 58th court, Cicero, beloved husband of the late Barbara, dear father of May Ferrel, father-in-law of Irene, grandfather of Patricia, brother of Michael, James, and John Linduska, and Barbara Gies. Service Saturday, June 28, 8:45 a. m., from funeral home, 6237 W. Cermak road, to Our Lady of the Mount church. Mass 9:30 a. m. Interment Resurrection, Gundersen 4-3000.

KLUG—Margaret (ma) Zello (Horn), formerly of 906 S. Western avenue, dear father of Chester, Joseph, and Marion, grandfather of Vivian, son of Joseph and the late Theresa Lallo of 2243 W. Taylor street, brother of Anthony, George, Frank, Carmen, Dan, Arthur, Ida Dominio, and Mary Ann, deceased. Service 9:30 a. m. Friday at chapel, 418 S. Cicero avenue. Interment Mount Emmanuel, Columbus 1-6600.

LYNGHOLM—Minnie M. Lyngholm, nee Spohn, June 25, 1952, wife of the late Axel Lyngholm, sister of Maude Eldon, Clyde, and Ernest Spohn. At chapel, 316 W. 63rd street, at Harvard avenue, where services will be held Saturday, June 28, 3 p. m. Interment private.

MAKOS—Frank Makos of 2000 N. Clark, beloved husband of Frances. Resting at chapel, 1253-1/2 N. Clark street, where services will be held Saturday, 10 a. m. Information, Sipeper 7-9213.

MARKLEY—Maude E. Markley, late of 8227 Hutchinson street, dearly beloved wife of Robert T. Kus.

SCHAEFER—Julia W. Schaefer, 2500 N. Keeler avenue, beloved mother of Edward J., Lillian, William, and Henry, dear sister of Catherine Elster. Funeral Saturday, June 28, 10:30 a. m., from chapel, 1331-35 W. Chicago avenue, to St. John Cantius church, for mass at 11 a. m. Interment St. Adalbert's cemetery.

SCHNEIDER—Stanley J. Schneider, beloved husband of Beth step-father of Richard Wiles, brother of May Staber, Helen Trushe, Jack Joseph, and Dr. Les Schneider. Funeral Saturday, 10:30 a. m., from chapel, 3424 W. 43rd street, to St. Nicholas of Tolentine church. Interment Holy Sepulchre.

SHOR—Dave Shor of 1801 S. Millard, beloved husband of Cella, loving father of Sam of South Bend, Ind., Rose Shetsy and Annette Shor, five grandchildren, one great-grandchild, fond brother of Frank Rosen of Mine Bessemer. Service Friday, 1 p. m., at chapel, 3850 W. Roosevelt. Interment Jewish Waide Heim.

SMITH—Louis Smith, late of 8643 S. Rockwell street, beloved husband of Sophie, nee Duvalnik, dear father of Irvin Galtman, Lillian Lyons, Louis Jr., Irvin, and Lawrence, grandfather of eight. Funeral Saturday, June 28, 8:30 a. m., from chapel, 4330 S.



PECK—Gertrude H. Peck, formerly of 7429 South Shore drive, beloved wife of the late Arthur Fred, dear mother of Freda M., John H., Howard C., Mrs. Jessie Hallsthammar, and Frederick W. Peck, grandmother of nine. At rest in chapel, 2024 E. 75th street, until noon Saturday. Service in St. Margaret's Episcopal church, 73d and Coles, at 2 p. m. Interment Oak Woods.



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Mrs. Aleck St. Dennis was born April 11, 1867, in Canada. She was a pioneer resident of the Engadine area, having lived there for the past 50 years. She died at 3 p. m. Friday, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Patrick Collins of Engadine, after an illness of several years.

Surviving besides her husband are two daughters, Mrs. Delia Martin of Manistique, Michigan, and Mrs. Patrick Collins of Engadine; two sons, Allan St. Dennis of Engadine, and Henry St. Dennis of Pontiac, Michigan; 21 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.



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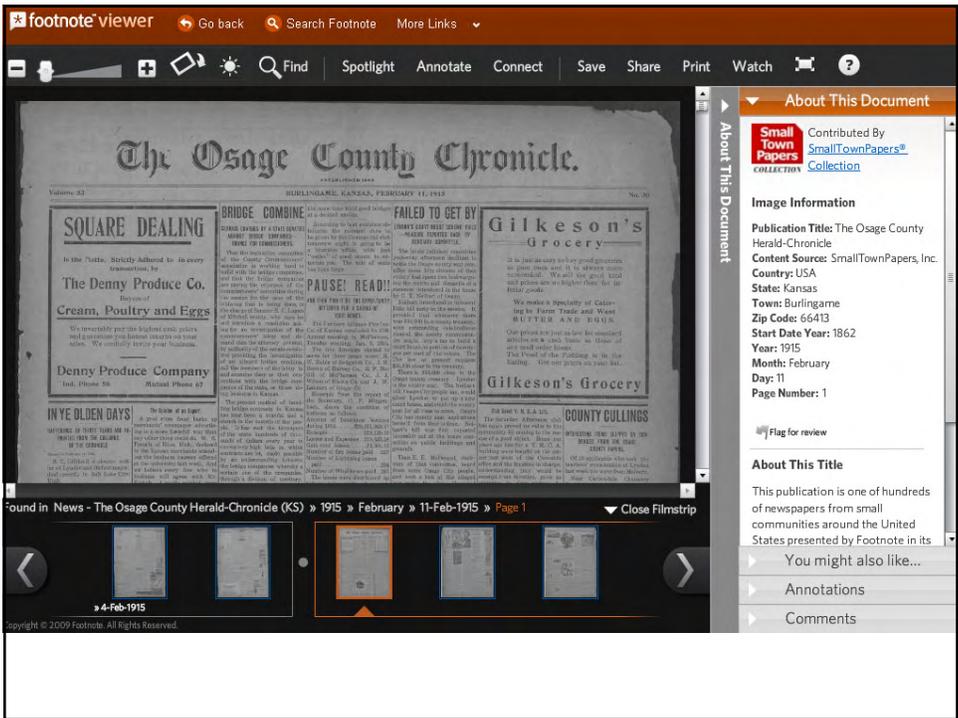
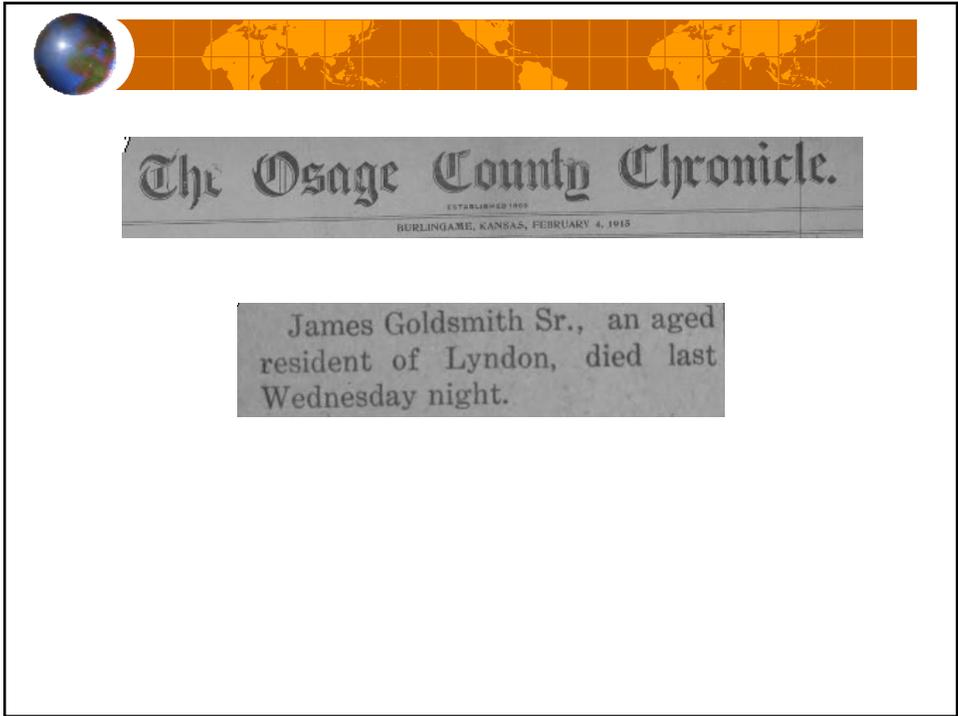
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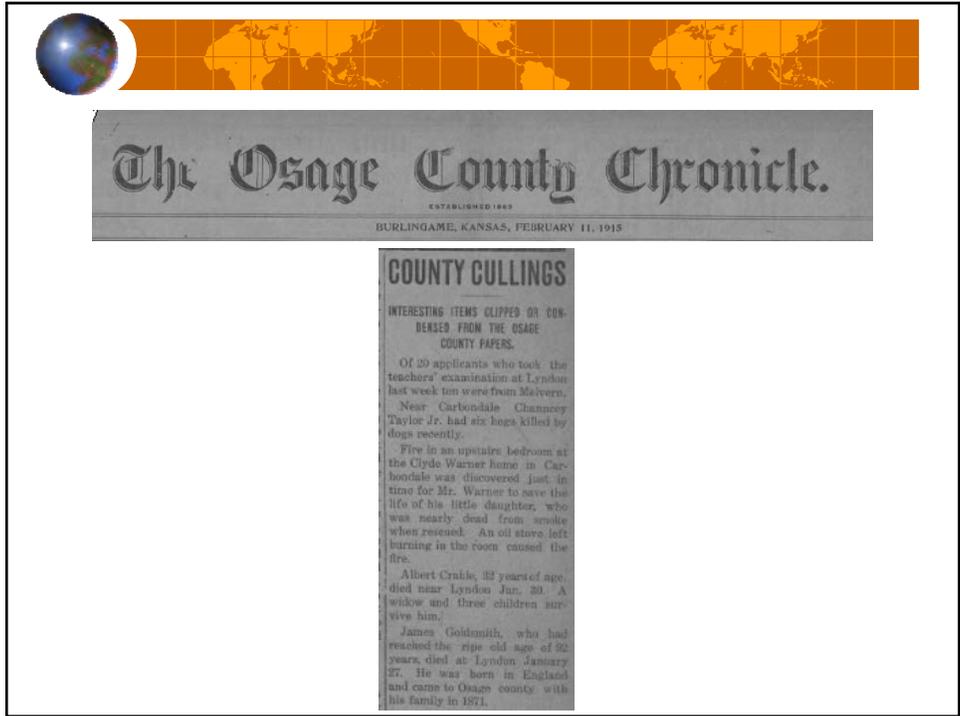
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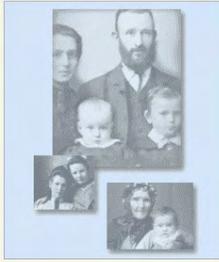
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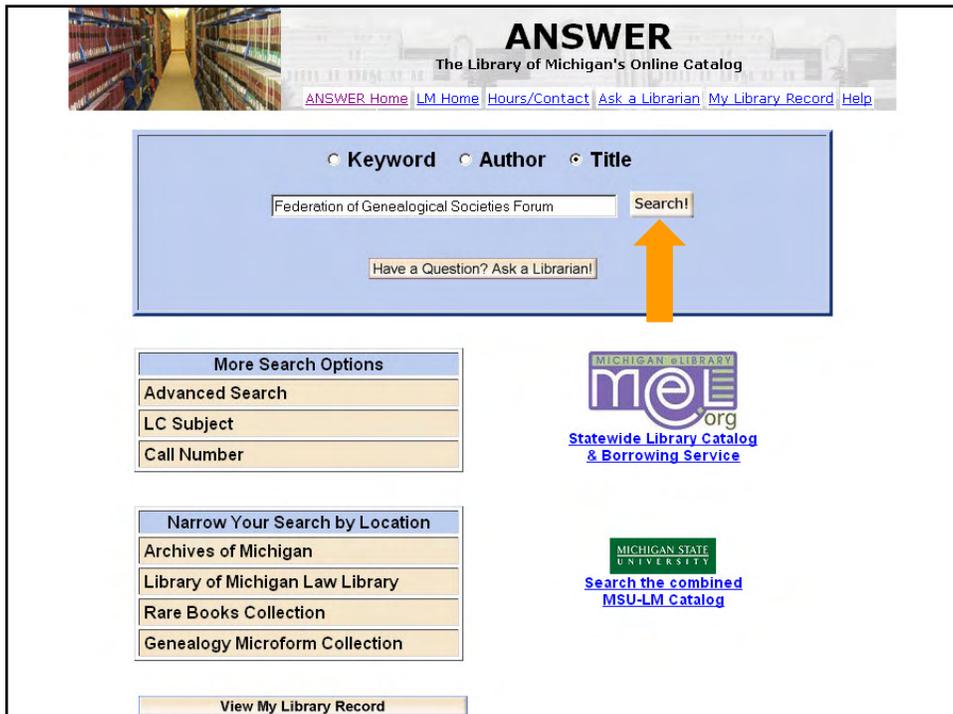
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Martha Griffiths : A life of firsts - Democratic trailblazer never backed down from a fight
Grand Rapids Press, The (MI) - Thursday, April 24, 2003
Author: Kathy Barks Hoffman / The Associated Press

LANSING -- **Martha Griffiths** grew up in an era where girls seldom competed with boys and women rarely shared the seats of power dominated by men.

Griffiths, who died Tuesday night at age 91, never thought those rules made sense.

She became one of the first women to attend law school at the University of Michigan, then went on to become the first female Detroit Recorder's Court judge, the first woman in Michigan to be elected to Congress and the first to be elected lieutenant governor.

She maneuvered her male congressional colleagues into making sure the 1964 Civil Rights Act banned discrimination based on gender and pushed the Equal Rights Amendment through Congress. She supported a federal minimum wage for women and worked hard to pass bills protecting women in the workplace, recalled Mildred Jeffries, a contemporary of Griffiths' who often helped with her campaigns.

During her 20 years in the U.S. House, Griffiths positioned herself on the powerful Ways and Means Committee -- the first woman to serve there -- and used her political knowledge to cobble together the votes needed to pass the Equal Rights Amendment. It

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- Indexes death notices and obituaries from the Grand Rapids Press and Grand Rapids Herald
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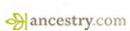
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April 4th at 1:30PM
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Tim Gleisner- will be speaking about the history of the Local History Room at the Grand Rapids Public Library, with highlights of some of the collections, artifacts and new items as well.

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Happening Soon...

Wed, Mar 25 [GRPL Genealogy Class: Heritage Quest \(1 PM - 3 PM\)](#)

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NOTICE: The **March 2009** program will be held at **Park Congregational Church** (across the street from the GRPL main entrance)

ABOUT WMGS

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About Search 	Kent County School Census - Index to the listings of Student and Teacher names in the Annual Census and Statistic Returns of Kent County Schools from 1903 - 1925. We can provide copies of the pages from these books which show students names and details, as well as details about the school attended. <i>Payment by PayPal is accepted for copies of records from this database.</i>	232,359
About Search 	Michigan - Index to the names of people mentioned in the first 53 years of WMGS' quarterly publication <i>Michigan</i> from 1954 - 2008. If you search and find a name you're interested in you will be able to order a copy of the page the name is on. In many instances you'll be able to order a copy of the whole issue containing the page. This is identified on the Search Results page. Update 22 January 2009 - added the Index for 2008. <i>Payment by PayPal is accepted for copies of records from this database.</i>	185,563
About Search 	Veterans - Index of the residents of the "The Grand Rapids Home for Veterans". 29 January 2007. Added another 1,769 records of the men's index to the database. Total Men's records now 10,946. Total including Women 13,697. All records that are available on microfilm at the Grand Rapids Public Library are now listed in this index. <i>Payment by PayPal is accepted for copies of records from this database.</i>	13,241
About Search	World War One Veterans Census - A searchable database containing the names of Veterans of World War One who were living in Kent County, Michigan after the end of The Great War. Records contain information about the Vet's parents, birth date and place, military service and other information.	



Western Michigan Newspapers
1910 - March 2009

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Soundex

The Soundex Code must be complete to search by Soundex. Wild cards are not permitted. The search can only be performed with "Equals" as the operator. The button below opens a form where you can calculate Soundex codes.

This page at the Houston Public Library explains the Soundex coding system with examples, including the little known rule about "Key letters or their equivalents separated by H or W are coded as one key letter." which explains why the name Ashcroft can't be found in the Federal Census under the expected A226, but is found under A261.

The calculation used in the online database includes this rule. If a name is affected by this, the database contains both the Common Soundex Code AND the proper Soundex Code for this name. Both are displayed in the list of returned results if a name has more than one



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Search Results

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B240	BISSELL	Anna	Fri, 9 Nov 1934	GR Herald Article	183	<input type="button" value="Order"/>	Transcription not yet available.	Scanned Image not available.

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***NOTE: If there is no "Order" button beside a particular listing, it means that the Grand Rapids Public Library does not have the microfilm these records are on, so we are not able to supply copies of the Obituaries as listed.**

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Newspapers on Microfilm

- Extensive collection of Michigan newspapers at the Library of Michigan
- Some as early as the 1830s
- National papers
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Genealogy Research at the Library of Michigan and the Archives of Michigan



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This Web page has information about conducting genealogy research and using the Library and Historical Center, as well as links to online research tools you may use from anywhere with an Internet connection. Please explore the links in the left rail or below, and be sure to [contact us](#) with any questions.

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The county where a city is located can be determined at the [National Association of Counties](#) website.

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1928 1928

CALEDONIA NEWS (Caledonia, Mich. : 1887)

1887 1890

1893 1922

GRAND RAPIDS HERALD (Grand Rapids, Mich.)

1898 1959

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CLIPPER (Cedar Springs, Mich.)

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NORTHLAND NEWS (Cedar Springs, Mich.)

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The Grand Rapids Herald

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1934

DEATH CLAIMS MRS. BISSELL, CIVIC LEADER

Head of Carpet Sweeper Firm Dies at Home on Eve of 88th Birthday

LONG CAREER MARKED BY VARIED ACTIVITY

Helped Husband Found Business; Noted for Charitable, Religious Activity

Mrs. M. P. Bissell, 87, died suddenly yesterday at 418 N. W. home, 113 Oliver ave., 88.

Mrs. Bissell, who would have celebrated her 88th birthday on Dec. 2, had been in failing health for the last few years and had been confined to her bed for some time.

Her death brought to a close a career that had been rich in every respect. She had entered her own business from the age of 16. Fifty-eight years ago she assisted her husband, the late Justin B. Bissell, in founding the Bissell Carpet mill, in founding the Bissell Carpet Company, company which became Bissell Carpet Co., and in the death of her husband, 1913 she was the president. Since that time she had been chairman of the board.

Mrs. Bissell's career was not confined to business. She was active in the civic, cultural, religious and philanthropic life of the city which drew a generous share of its time in the industry of which she was long the active head.



Chelsea District Library

- fh.chelsea.lib.mi.us/index.php
- 15,500 obituary entries
 - From the Chelsea Standard in the library's paper Family History Index file.
 - From books such as *The History of Washtenaw County* (1881) and *The Past and Present of Washtenaw County* (1906)
 - Gravestone inscriptions recorded by Harold Jones
- 1834 to present
- For obituaries around the 1950s and onward, clipped obituary is included



McKune Memorial Library

Chelsea, Michigan 48118



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Chelsea District Library
Family History Index Online

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The library's Family History Index Online consists of 15,500 records of Chelsea residents from its founding in 1834 to the present. Records include name information about the decedent, parents, spouses, and children, as well as dates of birth and death, places of birth and death, cemetery, funeral home, date of obituary, and an image of the complete obituary where available.

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<p>Name: Catherine M. McKune (Staffan) Place of Birth: Chelsea MI Date of Birth: 01/30/1874</p> <p>Spouse: J. Edward McKune</p> <p>Father: Francis Staffan Mother: Magdeline Staffan (Keusch)</p> <p>Place of Death: Chelsea MI Date of Death: 07/18/1958 Cemetery: Mt. Olivet, Chelsea MI</p> <p>Funeral Home: Staffan Funeral Home, Chelsea MI Source: Ann Arbor News 07/19/1958</p> <p>Record Created: 06/27/06</p>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div>
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McKUNE, CATHERINE M. STAFFAN Died July 18, 1958
Ann Arbor News July 19, 1958 Mt. O-C

Mrs. C. M. McKune

Her Father Founded Staffan Funeral Home

CHELSEA — Mrs. Catherine M. McKune, 84, of 221 S. Main St., who had lived here all her life, died late Friday at her home after a lingering illness.

Mrs. McKune was born Jan. 30, 1874, in Chelsea, the daughter of Francis and Magdelina Keusch Staffan. Her father, a pioneer resident, founded the Staffan Funeral Home here in 1852.

She married J. Edward McKune on March 17, 1899, in St. Mary's Catholic Church here. He preceded her in death on July 22, 1944.

A member of St. Mary's Church, she was active in church affairs and in various civic activities. She served as chairman of the local Red Cross chapter during World War I and was a lifelong contributor to various charitable organizations.

She was a charter member of the Gay Ninety's club of Chelsea and had served as secretary of that organization the past year in addition to holding various offices in the group in previous years.

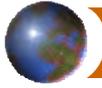
Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Amelia Foster of Grass Lake and Mrs. Margaret Fenn of Chelsea, and several nieces and nephews in this area, including Frank W. Staffan and Clare H. Fenn, both of Ann Arbor. Two brothers, George P. Staffan and Louis Staffan, pre-

ceded her in death.

A requiem high mass will be sung at funeral services at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Chelsea, with the Rev. Lee Laige officiating.

Burial will be in Mt. Olivet Cemetery here.

The Altar Society will recite the Rosary at 8 p.m. today at the Staffan Funeral Home here, and the parish will recite the Rosary at 8 p.m. tomorrow, also at the funeral home where friends may call.



Newspaper Web Sites

- Many archive more recent obituaries for free searching
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- Legacy.com
 - ▣ Partners with newspapers across the country
 - ▣ More recent deaths



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