

William Harrison Merriman

Pioneer of 1852

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William Harrison Merriman

b. 04 Mar 1825 Scott County, Kentucky

d. 16 Sep 1877 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

s/o Reuben Merriman (1790-1842) and Betsey Bennett (1789-1842)

buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

note: only William and his sister, Lucinda, emigrated to Oregon. The rest of their siblings stayed in the east.

m1. Mary Ann Lewis [Pioneer of 1852]

b. 19 Apr 1824 New Jersey

d. 11 May 1852 Oregon Trail, Kansas

buried on trail

Children of William Merriman and Mary Ann Lewis:

1. Auletta Lavinia Merriman

b. 04 Aug 1848 Illinois

d. 07 Aug 1936 Gold Hill, Jackson County, Oregon

buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

d/o Merriman and Mary Lewis

m1. 25 Aug 1867 Jackson County, Oregon

John E. Buzan

b. 15 Jun 1837 France

d. 18 Jun 1870 Manzanita, Jackson County, Oregon

buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

m2. 17 Jun 1873 Jackson County, Oregon

John E. Harvey

b. 02 Dec 1832 England

d. 29 Aug 1903 Gold Hill, Jackson County, Oregon

buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

1867: "Married at the residence of W. H. Merriman, August 25th, by Rev. Joseph Ritter, John E. Buzan and Miss Anetta L. Merriman, all of Jackson County." [Oregon Sentinel, Jacksonville, Oregon, September 7, 1867 3:3]

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2. Joseph Wright Merriman
 - b. cFeb 1852 Sangamon County, Illinois
 - d. Aug 1852 Goose Lake, California on trail
- d/o Merriman and Mary Lewis

Mother had died at beginning of trail to Oregon and baby was fed milk from a cow that had eaten wild parsnips somewhere near Goose Lake, CA

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- m2. 10 Feb 1853 Cow Creek, Douglas County, Oregon
Artinecia Riddle [Pioneer of 1851]
b. 11 Oct 1830 Logan County, Ohio
d. 10 Jan 1917 Medford, Jackson County, Oregon
d/o William H. Riddle and Maxamillia Bousman
buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon
m1. 22 Feb 1848 John William Chapman (seen listed as James B. Chapman)

Child of Chapman and Artinecia Riddle:

1. John William Chapman
 - b. 15 Jun 1850 Sangamon County, Illinois
 - d. 18 Dec 1933 Carbon County, Montana
- buried Red Lodge Cemetery, Red Lodge, Carbon County, Montana

"Mrs. Artinecia Merriman lives near Central Point; is a farmer post office Jacksonville; was born in Champagne county, Ohio in 1830; came to state 1851, and to county in 1856; Artinecia (Riddle) Merriman was married February 22, 1848, to James Chapman deceased; children, John W., Lucinda J., George F., Laura A., Maria E., Annie A., Isaac A., Mary B., Isabel, Effie, Josephine and Willie; Mr. Merriman had one daughter Anletta L.; Mrs. Merriman has buried four children, Chas. H., Walter, Prudence and Winaford." [History of Southern Oregon comprising Jackson, Josephine, Douglas, Curry and Coos Counties by A.G. Walling p. 505]

"William H. Merriman: died in Jackson county, September 16, 1877; was a cabinet maker and joiner; was born in Kentucky; came to state in 1852 and to county in 1856; was married February 10, 1853, to Mrs. A. Chapman." [History of Southern Oregon comprising Jackson, Josephine, Douglas, Curry and Coos Counties by A.G. Walling p. 505]

"Mrs. Artenecia Riddle Merriman, sister of G. W. and Abner Riddle, of this place, died at Medford January 9 [sic 10] at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Samuel Bennet, at the age of 88 years. Funeral services were held yesterday at the Jacksonville cemetery, where her husband, William H. Merriman, was buried in 1877.

Mrs. Merriman had been ill with uremic poisoning and bedfast for three months. For a time she was at the Good Samaritan Hospital, at Portland. Mrs. Merriman was born in Cleveland, Ohio, and was married in Illinois to John W. Chapman, who died in that state. After his death she crossed the plains to Oregon in the same train as Mr. Merriman.

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[Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, Sunday, January 21, 1917 p. 8]

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[Morning Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, Saturday, January 13, 1917 p. 2]

Children of William Merriman and Artenecia Riddle:

1. Lucinda Jane Merriman

b. 02 May 1852 Cow Creek Valley, Douglas County, Oregon

d. 10 Jun 1919 Seattle, King County, Washington

m. 22 Feb 1872 Jackson County, Oregon

Thomas Theodore Prather

b. 21 Dec 1843 Clermont County, Ohio

d. 16 Jan 1904 Sweet Grass County, Montana

2. George Francis Merriman

b. 16 Sep 1855 Cow Creek Valley, Douglas County, Oregon

d. 06 Nov 1915 Medford, Jackson County, Oregon

buried Eastwood IOOF Cemetery, Medford, Jackson County, Oregon

m. 08 Nov 1877 Jackson County, Oregon

Mary Elizabeth Murray

b. 06 May 1857 Stephenson County, Illinois

d. 07 Oct 1923 Medford, Jackson County, Oregon

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"George F. Merriman: lives in Oakland; is a blacksmith; was born in Douglas county, Oregon, September 16, 1856; married November 8, 1877, to Mary Murray. Children, Thomas C, Mary L. and Creed." [History of Southern Oregon comprising Jackson, Josephine, Douglas, Curry and Coos Counties by A.G. Walling p. 514]

"GEORGE FRANCIS MERRIMAN. In tracing the source of the importance of Medford, mention is due George Francis Merriman, who, from obscurity and financial limitations, has risen to business, educational, and political prominence, Mr. Merriman's ladder of success has been made up of a useful blacksmith trade, fine personal honor, and exceptional executive and general ability, all of which may be acquired by persistent effort, a truth which furnishes vast encouragement to the industrious and ambitious. His family is one of the well-known ones of the state, for his parents, William H. and Artineca (Riddle) Merriman, reared a family of fifteen children, five sons and ten daughters, of whom three sons and eight daughters respond to the roll call of residents of this prosperous state, and are established in homes of their own. Mr. Merriman is the second of these children, and was born in Douglas county, Ore., September 16, 1855, his father and grandfather, both named William H., being natives of the "state of Illinois, born near Springfield. The younger William H. was a farmer, blacksmith and wagon-maker, and in 1852 crossed the plains to Oregon, locating near Riddles, Douglas county. In 1856 he removed to Jackson county and located two miles north of Medford, purchasing one hundred and twenty acres of land from Jesse Robinson, upon which he farmed until his death in 1877, at the age of fifty-two years. He was an active Republican, and in religion was a member of the Baptist Church. His wife's family is perpetuated in Oregon in the town of Riddles, and her brothers, J. B., George W. and Stillely Riddle, are honored residents of this vicinity. Mrs. Merriman was born in Cleveland, Ohio, and in Illinois married John W. Chapman, who died in Illinois, after which his wife crossed the plains in the same train with her future husband, Mr. Merriman.

George Francis Merriman's zeal in promoting the cause of education is quite remarkable, considering the difficulties which hedged in his own opportunities in this direction. From earliest youth his ears became accustomed to the sound of industry emanating from his father's busy blacksmith shop, and he was put to work at an age when most boys are considering ways and means by which to keep away from school. Not so this youth, however, for while his days were filled with serving an apprenticeship, begun in his fourteenth year, his evenings were spent in poring over books, and acquiring the knowledge denied him in the schools. After completing his three years of compulsory service he continued a year more with his employer, and in 1874 went to eastern Oregon, and for two years worked in a blacksmith shop at Canyon City. For the following two years he ran a shop at Central Point, in the Rogue River valley, and in 1878 was employed as blacksmith by the Oregon & California Stage Company. In 1880 he began a four-years business in Oakland, and in 1884 located in Medford, where he has since continuously worked at his trade, with the exception of two and a half years. He does many kinds of wood work, wagon manufacturing and horse-shoeing, and so large is his trade that four men are required in the shop.

Mr. Merriman's services as a staunch Republican official have been of a high order, and demonstrate his breadth of mind and knowledge of municipal affairs. While not seeking recognition himself he has earnestly helped his deserving friends, and by no means confined himself to any one party in offering help. He has been a member of the city council one term, and was nominated for county sheriff in 1892, escaping election by only one hundred and eighty-seven votes in a county claiming five hundred

Democratic majority. He was appointed postmaster of Medford January 17, 1900, and still holds the office, which is of the third class. Mr. Merriman finds recreation and friends in various fraternal organizations, among them Medford Lodge No. 103, A. F. & A. M.; Oregon Chapter No. 4, R. A. M., of Jacksonville ; Independent Order of Odd Fellows ; Knights of Pythias; Ancient Order United Workmen ; and Woodmen of the World. He is also identified with P. P. Prim Cabin Native Sons of Oregon, and Roseburg Lodge No. 326, B. P. O. E. In all possible ways he has forwarded the best interests of education, has been a member of the school board for many years, and is one of the promoters and directors

of the Medford Business College, having succeeded in raising a large fund for its erection. Two miles east of Medford Mr. Merriman married Mary Murry, who was born in Illinois, and whose father, William Murry, emigrated from Scotland to Illinois, and from there to Oregon in 1874, locating on a farm near Medford. Eight children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Merriman, of whom William H. is deceased; Thomas is working in his father's shop; May is the assistant postmistress of Medford; George also is in his father's shop; and Blanch, Mollie, Vera, and Sherron C. are living at home." [Portrait and Biographical Record of Western Oregon p. 887-8]

MERRIMAN, GEORGE F., of Medford, was born in Douglas County, Oregon, September 16, 1855. He is a blacksmith by occupation, having pursued it for twelve years in Medford. He was a member of the Douglas County convention in 1880 and 1882, and the Jackson County convention in 1886, 1890 and 1894, and of the state convention in 1894. In 1892 he received the nomination for Sheriff. In 1894 he was secretary of the McKinley Club, and a member and secretary of the county central committee.

[Republican League Register p. 245]

"GEORGE FRANCIS MERRIMAN, who is one of the most public spirited men of Medford and ex-postmaster of that city, is conducting on a large scale a successful wagon, carriage and horseshoeing establishment, employing a number of men in his business. He is greatly interested in educational matters and is one of the leading citizens of the town. He was born in Douglas county, Oregon, September 6, 1855, a son of William H. and Artineca (Riddle) Merriman. The father, who was born near Springfield, Illinois, was by trade a blacksmith and wagon maker, as well as an agriculturist. In 1852 he crossed the plains to Oregon, locating near Riddle, Douglas county, a town named in honor of the Riddle family. He removed in 1856 to Jackson county, settling two miles north of Medford, where he purchased one hundred and twenty acres of land upon which he lived and engaged in active agricultural pursuits, until shortly prior to his death in 1877, passing away at the age of fifty-two years. He was a republican in politics, a Baptist in religious faith and was one of the most estimable citizens of the communities in which he resided. The mother was born in Cleveland, Ohio, and was married in Illinois to John W. Chapman, who died in that state. After his death she crossed the plains in the same train in which her future husband, Mr. Merriman, traveled.

George F. Merriman, the second child in a family of fifteen born to his parents, received a common-school education, but having a great craving for knowledge he studied at home long after his school days were over and has throughout his lifetime been greatly interested in educational affairs, giving a great deal of attention to the forwarding of that cause. At an early age he commenced working in his father's shop where he learned the blacksmithing trade. After completing his three years of apprenticeship he remained one more year in the shop, then in 1874 went to eastern Oregon where for two years he worked at his trade at Canyon City. During the following two years he conducted a shop at Central point, in Jackson county, in the Rogue river valley, and in 1878 was employed as a blacksmith by the Oregon & California Stage Company. In 1880 he went to Oakland, where he was in business for four years, after which he settled in Medford where with the exception of two and a half years he has lived continuously. He

has a modern and well equipped shop where several men are constantly employed, the business being that of wood working, horseshoeing and wagon manufacturing.

Mr. Merriman chose as his life companion and helpmate Mary Murray, a native of Illinois whose father, James Murray, emigrated from Scotland, settling in Illinois, and later came to Oregon in 1874, where he settled on a farm near Medford. Eight children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Merriman, but one, William H., is now deceased, The others are Thomas, May, George, Blanche, Mollie, Vera and Sharron C.

Mr. Merriman in his political views is a republican and has taken an active interest in the affairs of the State, he has been a member of the Medford city council and in 1892 received the Domination for Sheriff but was defeated by a small majority. He was appointed postmaster of Medford January 17, 1900 and held that position for several years. He is a member of the Masonic body, belonging to Lodge No. 103, F. M. and A. M.. and Oregon Chapter, No. 4. R. A. M., of Jacksonville. He is also affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Ancient Order of United Workmen and the Woodmen of the World. He belongs also to Primo Cabin, Native Sons of Oregon, and to the Roseburg Lodge, No 326 B. P. O. E, There are few men of Medford who can conscientiously lay claim to being more valuable or active citizens of their town than Mr. Merriman. Being one of the sons of the early days of Oregon, he has passed his entire career thus far in the State of his nativity and has witnessed the rescuing of the commonwealth from the primitive conditions of the wilderness, and at all times has been identified with this state's settlement and development. He has sought not alone his own good but also that of the public, having been a loyal citizen and an earnest and conscientious home builder. His business life has been characterized by careful attention to the details of his affairs and his efforts have been so well directed that he has built up an extensive trade." [Centennial History of Oregon by Joseph Gaston Vol 2 p. 956-7]

George F. Merriman mentioned in "Early Oregon Cabinet Makers, furniture manufacturers, carpenters, Blacksmiths and Wagon Builders 1836-1897" by Mrs. Beulah Hurst and Mrs. B.M. Carstairs

MEDFORD PIONEER AT REST

**George H. Merriman Is Survived by
Mother Who Is 85.**

**MEDFORD, Or., Nov. 13.—(Special.)
—George H. Merriman, the pioneer**

"village blacksmith" of Jackson County, former postmaster, died suddenly Saturday night and the funeral was held this week.

Mr. Merriman was 60 years-old, having been born September 16, 1855, in Douglas County, Oregon, coming to the Rogue River Valley with his parents when 2 years of age. Mr. Merriman for many years prior to the coming of the railroad was official horseshoer for the Government between Roseburg and Redding, Cal. Mr. Merriman was a staunch Republican and a friend of Governor Withycombe, the Governor always calling upon him when in Medford. He was appointed postmaster by President McKinley, but refused reappointment.

Mr. Merriman was the son of William H. and Mrs. Artie Merriman, pioneers of 1831. Mrs. Merriman survives her son, having recently celebrated her 85th birthday. In 1877 Mr. Merriman married Miss Mary E. Murray. Seven children survive, Thomas T., George H.,

Jr., Sharon C., Mrs. Robert W. Telfer, Mrs. Claude Miles, Miss Mollie and Miss Vera Merriman.

[Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, Sunday, November 14, 1915 Section I p. 8]

3. Laura Alice Merriman

b. 08 Jul 1857 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 24 Nov 1938 District of Columbia

buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

m. 23 Nov 1876 Jackson County, Oregon

Jay Bradley

b. 11 Jan 1852 Wapello County, Iowa

d. 25 Oct 1893 Jackson County, Oregon

buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

"Laura A. Bradley Called By Death--Noted Oregonian Victim in Washington, D. C. Washington, Nov. 24--Mrs. Laura A. Bradley, 81, widow of Jay Bradley, formerly of Oregon and Wyoming, died here Thursday.

Mrs. Bradley had resided here with her daughter, Mrs. Basil Manly, for more than 25 years and was deeply interested in civic affairs.

Her parents, William H. Merriman and Artinice Riddle Merriman, were among early settlers of southern Oregon. She was born at Jacksonville, Or., and lived for many years in Medford, Eugene and Portland.

She is survived by two sons, Lawson G. Bradley, Medford, Or., and Otto F. Bradley, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Manly, and two grandchildren, Mrs. Walter O. Briggs Jr., Detroit, and Miss Jean Bradley, Portland, Or. She also is survived by her brother, William Merriman, Oakland, Cal., and sisters, Mrs. Joseph Hill and Mrs. John Beck, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Isabella Fronk, Portland, and Mrs. Marie Bennett, Medford."

[Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, November 25, 1938]

4. Marie Elizabeth Merriman

b. 09 Dec 1858 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 05 Jul 1943 Medford, Jackson County, Oregon

buried Eastwood IOOF Cemetery, Medford, Jackson County, Oregon

m. 23 Nov 1881 Jackson County, Oregon

Samuel Louis Bennett

b. 12 Aug 1846 Pike County, Missouri

d. 18 Apr 1924 Medford, Jackson County, Oregon

buried Eastwood IOOF Cemetery, Medford, Jackson County, Oregon

"Marie Elisabeth Bennett, Central Point pioneer, died at a local hospital yesterday after a brief illness. Mrs. Bennett, whose parents were Artinecia Riddle Merriman and William H. Merriman, was born on the old Merriman ranch near Central Point, December 9, 1858, and had lived in Jackson County her entire life. She was the fourth of a family of 15 children.

As a child Mrs. Bennett attended school in a little country schoolhouse near what is now known as Beall Lane and later attended the old Ashland academy and college, the only institution of higher learning in the valley. She became a teacher at the age of 17 and continued in this occupation until her marriage to the late Samuel L. Bennett in 1881. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett located on the old Butler donation land claim, one mile north of the present city of Medford, and lived there until Mr. Bennett retired from active work in 1908 when the family moved to Medford.

The Bennetts had three children, Mrs. Laura Merriman Loder, Mrs. Artinecia Marie Swingle and the late S. Louis Bennett. Mr. Bennett passed away in 1923 [sic 1924] and Mrs. Bennett continued to live in Medford until 1932 when she went to Trail to make her home with Mrs. Swingle. The deceased was a charter member of the First Baptist church of Medford.

In addition to the two daughters, Mrs. F. F. Loder of Willows, Calif., and Mrs. Swingle of Trail, Mrs. Bennett is survived by two sisters, Mrs. J. C. Hill, Seattle, and Mrs. Isabelle Fronk, Portland, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at the Perl Funeral home Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. with the Rev. D. D. Randall officiating. Interment will be in the I.O.O.F. cemetery in Medford." [Medford Mail Tribune, Medford, Oregon, July 6, 1943]

5. Anna Adelaide Merriman

b. 28 Mar 1860 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 16 May 1935 Medford, Jackson County, Oregon

buried Siskiyou Memorial Park, Medford, Jackson County, Oregon

m. 23 Nov 1881 Jackson County, Oregon

Joseph Cicero Clark

b. 28 Sep 1858 Missouri

d.

6. Isaac Albert Merriman

b. 11 Sep 1861 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 18 Dec 1922 Medford, Jackson County, Oregon
buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

m. 27 Apr 1887 Jackson County, Oregon

Emma L. Bellinger

b. 10 May 1868 Jackson County, Oregon

d. 15 Jun 1950 Lake County, California

buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

ISAAC MERRIMAN DEAD
Jackson County Native Son Is
Victim of Heart Disease.
MEDFORD, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Following the sudden death last Saturday of Elmo Neil, 42, pioneer stockman of this section, who resided near Ashland, the second well-known Jackson county man and native son of this county to die from heart disease was Isaac Merriman, more than 62 years old, of Medford, who, while at work chopping wood along Bear creek, fell over dead this morning. Each man was from a well-known pioneer family of this county.
Mr. Merriman leaves his widow and four sons, and had been a member of the Medford Oddfellows' lodge for 33 years.
Neil is survived by his widow. He was born on the farm where he resided all his life.

[Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, December 19, 1922 p. 20]

7. Charles Harrison Merriman

b. 29 Mar 1863 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 19 Sep 1865 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

m. Never married

8. Mary Bell Merriman

b. 05 Aug 1864 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 23 Jul 1926 Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon

m. 1886

Joseph G. Huston

b. 1861

d. 24 Nov 1930 Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon

9. Walter Thomas Merriman

b. 26 Feb 1866 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 15 May 1866 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

m. Never married

10. Isabel Merriman

b. 28 Jul 1867 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 19 Dec 1953 Multnomah County, Oregon

buried Riverside Cemetery, Albany, Linn County, Oregon

m.

Charles K. Fronk

b. 1856

d. 1918

buried Riverside Cemetery, Albany, Linn County, Oregon

s/o John M. Fronk and Mary E. Brown

FRONK—Dec. 19, Mrs. Isabelle, late of 2610 NE Hancock st. Mother of Mr. Earl M. Fronk, Portland, and Charles K. Fronk, United States army; sister of Effie N. Hill, Seattle, Wash.; 3 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren. Funeral services Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 11:30 am, in the Drawing Room Chapel of the COLONIAL MORTUARY, Sandy blvd. at 14th. Interment Riverside cemetery, Albany, Or. EA 4111.

[Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, Monday, December 21, 1953 p. 21]

11. Prudence Merriman

b. Nov 1868 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 30 Dec 1870 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

m. Never married

12. Effie "Bessie" Merriman

b. 25 Mar 1870 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 07 Feb 1960 Seattle, King County, Washington

buried Acacia Memorial Park, Lake Forest Park, King County, Washington

m. 28 Sep 1887

John H. Bellinger

b. 04 Feb 1866

d. 14 Dec 1918

buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

m2. c1920

Joseph Crosby Hill

b. 16 Oct 1866 Cache County, Utah

d. 28 Feb 1945 Seattle, King County, Washington

buried Acacia Memorial Park, Lake Forest Park, King County, Washington

HILL—Effe M. (Bessie), Feb. 7, at Masonic Home Zenith (formerly of 1004 Bailey St.), age 89 years. Stepmother of J. Chester Hill; aunt of Mrs. William Glazier. Member of Home Chapter No. 193, O. E. S. Services Thursday, 2 p. m., Chapel of Georgetown Funeral Home.

[Seattle Daily Times, Seattle, Washington, Tuesday, February 9, 1960 p. 30]

13. Josephine Marjorie Merriman

b. 24 Jun 1871 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 06 Jan 1940 Seattle, King County, Washington

m.

John Beek

b.

d.

MRS. JOHN BEEK

Funeral services for Mrs. Josephine M. Beek, 68 years old, who died yesterday, will be held at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Home Undertaking Company, followed by cremation. Mrs. Beek was born in Medford, Or. She resided at 2276 E. 60th St. She was a member of the Daughters of Pioneers of Washington and of University Baptist Church. Surviving are the husband, John; a daughter, Mrs. Helen Langtry of Seattle; a son, John Beek, Jr., of Washington, D. C.; three sisters, Mrs. Maria Bennett, Medford; Mrs. Isabelle Fronk, Portland, Or., and Mrs. J. C. Hill, Seattle, and a brother, Will Merriman, Oakland, Calif.

[Seattle Sunday Times, Seattle, Washington, January 7, 1940 p.30]

14. William Harrison Merriman

b. 07 Jun 1872 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 28 May 1942 Berkeley, Alameda County, California

m1. 29 Jul 1894 Jackson County, Oregon

Rose M. Luy

b. 1875

d. 20 Jan 1932 Alameda County, California

m2. 1935

Minnie Mae Stephens

b. 31 Dec 1899 Arkansas

d. 17 Jan 1994 San Diego County, California

15. Winnefred "Winnie" Merriman

b. 30 Nov 1874 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

d. 14 Jan 1875 Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon

buried Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon

m. Never married