

Family Group Sheet for Harry Theston Miller & Silvia Walker

Husband:		Harry Theston Miller ¹⁻¹¹
	Birth:	28 Oct 1886 in Rush, Indiana ^{4, 6, 10-11, 23-26}
	Marriage:	05 Nov 1911 in Rush, Indiana; New Salem ²⁷
	Death:	23 Mar 1955 in Rush, Indiana ^{24, 28-29}
	Burial:	26 Mar 1955 in Rushville, Rush, Indiana; East Hill Mausoleum ^{24, 30}
	Father:	Eliphalet Barber Miller ¹²⁻¹⁷
	Mother:	Mary C. Blue ¹⁸⁻²²
Wife:		Sylvia Beatrice Walker ^{4, 10-11, 31-34}
	Birth:	21 Nov 1892 in Fayette, Indiana ^{4, 10-11, 41}
	Death:	12 Jul 1986 in Rush, Indiana ⁴²
	Father:	Daniel Jackson Walker ³⁵⁻³⁶
	Mother:	Rosa Belle Kennedy ^{10-11, 37-40}
Children:		
1	Name:	Donald Angus Miller ^{10-11, 31, 44}
M	Birth:	25 Feb 1913 in Rush, Indiana ^{10-11, 43-44}
	Marriage:	19 May 1934 in Rush, Indiana
	Death:	15 Jan 1993 in Rush, Indiana
	Spouse:	Cora Fuller ⁴⁴
2	Name:	Dorotha Belle Miller ^{10-11, 31}
F	Birth:	06 Aug 1914 in Rush, Indiana ^{10-11, 45}
	Marriage:	14 Aug 1933 in Indianapolis, Marion, Indiana
	Death:	23 Apr 2002 in Connersville, Fayette, Indiana
	Burial:	27 Apr 2002 in Fayette, Indiana
	Spouse:	Richard Lowell Clifford
3	Name:	Gladys Emma Miller ^{10-11, 31, 46}
F	Birth:	24 Jul 1917 in Rush, Indiana ^{10-11, 43, 46}
	Marriage:	28 Oct 1936 in Alexandria, Campbell, Kentucky ⁴⁷
	Death:	10 Sep 2002 in Streamwood, Cook, Illinois ^{46, 48-49}
	Burial:	13 Sep 2002 in Elmhurst, Du Page, Illinois; Mount Emblem Cemtery
	Spouse:	Earl Robert Stewart ⁵⁰⁻⁵⁴
4	Name:	Richard Walker Miller ^{11, 31}
M	Birth:	24 May 1925 in Fayette, Indiana ^{11, 55}
	Marriage:	04 Jun 1945 in Rush, Indiana ⁵⁵
	Death:	18 Sep 1956 in Rush, Indiana
	Spouse:	Faye Ellen Mohler

Notes:

Harry Theston Miller

Harry's mother died at his birth and his sister Stella, who was seventeen at the time, took care of the children until their father's death less than a year later. At that time the two youngest children, Harry and Angus, went to live at the Miller homestead with their aunt, Sarah Miller, until her death and then with Emma Stevens, until adulthood. Sarah left the house to Emma in her will.

Emma Stevens, born March 25, 1861 and died in January of 1937, raised the children in the brick house that had been built by their grandfather, Archibald. Emma was listed as a servant in the household in the 1880 census.

Harry farmed all his life, first in Richland Township in Rush County and later in Noble Township, raising general crops and hogs.

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In June of 1945, Harry and Sylvia moved to a farm near New Salem, then moved into his brother Angus' house in New Salem in September of 1948. Angus died in that house in December of 1950, leaving his house to Harry.

"The Bicentennial History of Rush County, Indiana" (1921) pgs. 283-284 (Edited by A. L. Gary and E. B. Thomas. -----

"Harry T. MILLER who is conspicuous among the enterprising farmers and stock raisers of Noble Township, has succeeded in his chosen life work through the qualities of persistence, sound judgement and honorable dealings, which have earned for him the esteem of the entire community. Harry MILLER is a native of Rush County, having been born in Richland Township on October 28, 1886, and he is the son of Eliphalet and Mary (Mollie) MILLER. He is indebted to the common schools of Richland Township for his educational training and after completing his studies he took employment as a farm hand for six years in that community. During the following four years he cultivated a farm of 94 acres in Richland Township, and then he moved to Noble Township, where he rented a Farm of 240 acres. Two years later he located on a farm where he now resides, comprising of 175 acres, and here he is farming with a gratifying measure of success. He carries on general farming, raising all the crops common to the locality, and he also feeds about 200 hogs annually. He is thorough and methodical and is up-to-date in his ideas relative to farming. Mr. MILLER was married to Sylvia WALKER, daughter of Daniel and Belle (KENNEDY) WALKER and they are the parents of three children, Donald, Dorotha Belle, and Gladys. Mrs. MILLER, who is a native of Rush County, is a lady of many estimable qualities of character and is a popular member of the circles in which she moves. Politically, Mr. MILLER is a republican.

Reminiscence of David STEWART about his grandfather, Harry MILLER as directed to his sister, Becky: "My memories are somewhat different from those of most others during my early years, because I got to see them in a somewhat different light, because I was fortunate to be our parent's middle child. There was a period of several years during which our parents had some difficult times, and I was lucky enough to be at a good-age to be, literally, 'farmed out'. When I started staying on the farm a lot, when I was three and four, you were too little, and Larry was already in school. Our grandparents, Harry and Sylvia (whom Grandpa called Sylvie) lived on a small farm near Orange, Indiana, (really just a slick-spot in the road, I think) which consists in my memory as a blacksmiths shop which repaired farm equipment and a truck stop which sold ice cream. Some of my first memories are of being at the blacksmiths, seeing the bellows make the fire spark and watching how all the men could really spit good. Then after that entertainment, we would go eat ice cream with red stuff (strawberry, I now know, and the cause of my being partial to that red stuff all my life) on to. It feels to me as if we did that pretty often, because Grandpa would ask me, in front of Grandma; 'Well, what should we do now?' Which was my cue to say, 'Get red stuff,' and he'd tell Grandma, 'I guess we gotta go.' (She was never invited and never went along.)"

Later addition/correction:

"... what I recalled as Orange was actually Andersonville, Indiana. Our Aunt Dorotha lives near Orange. Mom says the old men talking and spitting that I remembered were disparagingly called 'the loafers'. I didn't write, but had to confirm with Mom, that there was an old country store with a wooden porch on which old men sat in cane-back and rocking chairs. I recall that in addition to spitting, they whittled at this location. (Whittling is not carving. When you whittle, you turn a long stick into a short one by cutting off shavings.) My image of the store was clear, but it was such a cliché of the times I felt it might be a false memory, but apparently not.....

Mom always refers to the farm near Glenwood as her folk's place because she and her older siblings grew up there. Our Uncle Dick lived on the Andersonville farm as a late adolescent, when I was first staying there. His wife, our Aunt Fayellen, lived on a farm just across the road. I remember because Grandma worried out-loud a lot about how to keep them apart while living so close. I'm not sure when the move was made, but I can't recall ever being on Mom's childhood farm. It was a socioeconomic downward move, I'm sure, because Glenwood is in the rich flatlands while Andersonville is at the edge of the hilly country. I once mentioned to Aunt Dorotha something about Grandpa losing the good farm, and she just said, 'Lose it? He threw it away!' But I loved the one I knew."

On his WW2 registration card of 27 Apr 1942, Harry's description is : Height 5' 8", Weight 115, hazel eyes,

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gray hair, light complexion.

Sylvia Beatrice Walker

Following Harry's death, Sylvia remained in the home they had shared, which was a duplex. Sylvia lived in one side and in the other side lived various other elderly ladies, one at a time, who were both friends and companions. Later, one of Donald's daughters, Sharon, who married Orville Buckley, of Glenwood, moved with her husband and two sons and shared the house with Sylvia.

Her health began to decline and eventually she lived with her daughter Dorothea near Orange. Later she moved to the Jackson Nursing home, now Miller's Merry Manor, in Rushville where she resided until her death.

Though her hearing and eyesight failed and she had great difficulty getting around, her spirit and faith remained strong to the end.

"Grandma" was a favorite to all her grandchildren whom she spoiled as much as possible. Going to Grandma's was a special treat, anxiously anticipated, because she had a wonderful way of making you feel very special and loved.

She always tried to see the best in everyone. She thought everyone "has a good heart."

Gladys Emma Miller

The Daily Republican, Rushville, Indiana, Saturday, July 26, 1924, page 6, col. 1:

"Miss Gladys Miller entertained Thursday afternoon seven of her little girl friends with a party in honor of her seventh birthday. Those present were Geraldine McKee, Mary Frances White, Mable and Gladys King, Katherine and Helen Beaver, and Dorothea Miller. After a delightful social afternoon dainty refreshments were served. The honored guest received several presents from her friends in memory of the occasion."

The Daily Republican, Rushville, Indiana, Monday, December 8, 1928, page 1, col. 6:
In article titled, "Manilla Woman Is Winner of Prize Jingle Today, Gladys received special mention:

"...One of the jingles that was given much consideration of the judges was that submitted by Gladys Miller of Glenwood, who is only eleven years old. Her advice in the closing lines to the above jingle was as follows: *The Daily Republican ads Made it a pleasure for me.*"

The Daily Republican, Thursday, August 23, 1928, GLENWOOD:

"Miss Gladys Miller spent Monday with her uncle, August [Angus] Miller, near New Salem.

Gladys took the lessons of her farm country upbringing and the enrichment of her city living and molded them into a philosophy grounded in open-mindedness solidly set in moral values. Because of this philosophy and her sensitive and caring ways, she has been and remains the mainstay of her family.

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