
Hugh and Rhoda Jane (Fleshman) French

Generation 1

1. **Rhoda Jane Fleshman-1** [1]. She was born Bet. 1825–1833 in Indiana, USA [1, 2, 3, 4]. Fact 1850 (Resided w/ husband Hugh in Harrison Co, Indiana.) [2]. Fact 2 Bet. 1860–1880 (Resided w/ family in Washington Twp, Harrison Co, Indiana.) [3, 5, 4].

Hugh French is the son of Daniel French and Sara ____ [1, 6]. He was born on 29 Oct 1820 in Indiana, USA [1, 6, 2]. Occupation Bet. 1850–1880 (Physician) [2, 4]. He died on 05 Nov 1883 [1, 6]. Burial in New Amsterdam Cemetery, Washington Twp, Harrison County, Indiana [6].

Notes for Hugh French:

General Notes:

Hugh French was a physician in New Amsterdam, Harrison Co, Indiana (Wolph, 1980).

Hugh French and Rhoda Jane Fleshman. They were married on 15 Feb 1849 in Harrison County, Indiana, USA [1, 6, 7]. They had 8 children.

- i. **Cornelia French** [1, 8]. She was born on 20 Feb 1851 in Indiana, USA [9]. She died on 23 Mar 1851 [8]. Burial in New Amsterdam Cemetery, Washington Twp, Harrison County, Indiana [8].
- ii. **Laura French** [1, 10, 3]. She was born on 10 Feb 1852 in Indiana, USA [1, 6, 3]. She died on 31 Dec 1863 [6]. Burial in New Amsterdam Cemetery, Washington Twp, Harrison County, Indiana [6].
- 2. iii. **Clarence French** [1, 3]. He was born Bet. 1853–1855 in Indiana, USA [1, 3, 5, 11, 12]. He married Josephine Adams. They were married Aft. Jun 1870 [5]. Fact 1880 (Resided w/ family in Heth Twp, Harrison Co, Indiana.) [11]. Fact 2 Bet. 1900–1910 (Resided w/ 2nd wife and family in Emma Twp, White Co, Illinois.) [13, 14]. Fact 3 1920 (Resided w/ son Clarence and family on a farm in Hawthorne twp, White Co, Illinois.) [15]. He died Bef. Apr 1930 [16].
- iv. **Adda French** [1, 10, 3, 5]. She was born on 26 Mar 1857 in Indiana, USA [1, 6, 3]. She died on 09 Oct 1888 [6]. Burial in New Amsterdam Cemetery, Washington Twp, Harrison County, Indiana [6].
- v. **Benjamin H. French** [1, 8, 3]. He was born on 16 Jun 1860 in Indiana, USA [8, 3]. He died on 24 Mar 1862 [1, 8]. Burial in New Amsterdam Cemetery, Washington Twp, Harrison County, Indiana [8].
- vi. **Lafayette French** [1, 17, 5]. He was born Abt. 1863 in Indiana, USA [1, 18, 5]. He died Aft. Jun 1880 [4].
- 3. vii. **Edwin T. French** [1, 19, 5, 20]. He was born Sep 1865 in Indiana, USA [19, 5, 20]. He married Blanche _____. They were married Abt. 1889 [20]. Fact 1900 (Resided w/ family in New Amsterdam, Harrison Co, Indiana.) [20]. Fact 2 1920 (Resided w/ wife and granddaughter in Evansville, Vanderburg Co, Indiana.) [21]. Fact 3 1930 (Resided w/ dau and family in Warren twp, Marion Co, Indiana.) [22]. Fact 4 1942 (Resided at same address as son Richard in Indianapolis, Indiana.) [23]. He died Aft. 1942 [4, 20, 23].
- viii. **Anna K. French** [1, 24, 5]. She was born on 27 Sep 1869 in Indiana, USA [1, 25, 5]. She died on 11 Oct 1880 [1, 6]. Burial in New Amsterdam Cemetery, Washington Twp, Harrison County, Indiana [6].

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Generation 2

2. **Clarence French-2** (Rhoda Jane Fleshman-1) [1, 3]. He was born Bet. 1853–1855 in Indiana, USA [1, 3, 5, 11, 12]. Fact 1880 (Resided w/ family in Heth Twp, Harrison Co, Indiana) [11]. Fact 2 Bet. 1900–1910 (Resided w/ 2nd wife and family in Emma Twp, White Co, Illinois.) [13, 14]. Fact 3 1920 (Resided w/ son Clarence and family on a farm in Hawthorne twp, White Co, Illinois.) [15]. He died Bef. Apr 1930 [16].

Josephine Adams [1, 11]. She was born Jun 1858 in Kentucky, USA [1, 11, 26].

Clarence French and Josephine Adams. They were married Aft. Jun 1870 [5]. Divorce Bef. 04 Sep 1887 [26, 12]. They had 4 children.

Relationship Notes:

Resided in Heth Twp, Harrison Co, Indiana and subsequently in Posey Co, Indiana (Wolph, 1980).

- i. **Rosella French** [27, 11]. She was born 1874 in Indiana, USA [1, 11]. She married Daniel E. Hall. They were married on 21 Jun 1890 [1].
 - ii. **James N. French** [1, 11]. He was born Jun 1878 in Indiana, USA [1, 11, 26]. He was also known as James L. French [26].
 - iii. **Julia F. French** [1, 28]. She was born on 22 Sep 1881 [1, 28]. She married Thomas O. Byerley. They were married on 23 Sep 1905 in Harrison County, Indiana, USA [1, 28].
6. iv. **Bertha M. French** [1, 29, 26]. She was born Nov 1882 in Indiana, USA [1, 29, 26]. She married Charles Lewis. They were married on 24 Aug 1902 [1].

Mary Downen is the daughter of Polk Downen and Dora ____ [12, 13, 15, 30]. She was born Jan 1867 in Indiana, USA [12, 13]. Fact 1930 (Widowed, resided w/ dau Cecil Kilmer and family in Maunie, White Co, Illinois.) [16]. She was also known as Mollie Downen [14].

Clarence French and Mary Downen. They were married on 04 Sep 1887 in Posey County, Indiana [12]. They had 4 children.

- 4. i. **Clarence Luther French** [13, 14, 15, 30]. He was born on 09 Dec 1892 in Indiana, USA [13, 30]. He died 1927 in Hawthorne, White, Illinois, USA [30]. He married Cora ____.
 - ii. **Florence French** [13, 14]. She was born Jan 1895 in Indiana, USA [13].
 - 5. iii. **Cecil French** [13, 14, 16]. She was born Dec 1896 in Indiana, USA [13]. She married Richard Harmon Kilmer. They were married Abt. 1920 [16].
 - iv. **Giltner French** [14, 15]. He was born Abt. 1902 in Illinois, USA [14, 15].
3. **Edwin T. French-2** (Rhoda Jane Fleshman-1) [1, 19, 5, 20]. He was born Sep 1865 in Indiana, USA [19, 5, 20]. Fact 1900 (Resided w/ family in New Amsterdam, Harrison Co, Indiana.) [20]. Fact 2 1920 (Resided w/ wife and granddaughter in Evansville, Vanderburg Co, Indiana.) [21]. Fact 3 1930 (Resided w/ dau and family in Warren twp, Marion Co, Indiana.) [22]. Fact 4 1942 (Resided at same address as son Richard in Indianapolis, Indiana.) [23]. He died Aft. 1942 [4, 20, 23].

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Blanche ____^[20, 21]. She was born May 1869 in Indiana, USA^[20].

Edwin T. French and Blanche _____. They were married Abt. 1889^[20]. Divorce Bef. Apr 1930^[22]. They had 2 children.

7. i. **Georgie French**^[20]. She was born Jun 1889 in Indiana, USA^[20]. She married ____ Company.
8. ii. **Richard Bell French**^[20, 23]. He was born on 10 Oct 1895 in New Amsterdam, Harrison, Indiana, USA^[20, 23, 31]. Fact on 15 Jun 1917 (Registered for World War I draft at age 22)^[32]. He married Marie R. Kelly. They were married on 09 Apr 1918 in Vanderburg County, Indiana, USA^[31]. Fact 2 1920 (Resided w/ wife and son in Evansville, Vanderburg Co, Indiana.)^[33]. Fact 3 1930 (Resided w/ family in Indianapolis, Indiana.)^[34]. Fact 4 1942 (Registered for World War II draft at age 46)^[23].

Generation 3

4. **Clarence Luther French-3** (Clarence French-2, Rhoda Jane Fleshman-1)^[13, 14, 15, 30]. He was born on 09 Dec 1892 in Indiana, USA^[13, 30]. He died 1927 in Hawthorne, White, Illinois, USA^[30].

Cora ____^[15]. She was born Abt. 1895 in Illinois, USA^[15].

Clarence Luther French and Cora _____. They had 2 children.

- i. **Thomas French**^[15, 16]. He was born Abt. 1911 in Illinois, USA^[15, 16].
- ii. **Philip E. French**^[15, 16]. He was born Abt. 1914 in Illinois, USA^[15, 16].
5. **Cecil French-3** (Clarence French-2, Rhoda Jane Fleshman-1)^[13, 14, 16]. She was born Dec 1896 in Indiana, USA^[13].

Richard Harmon Kilmer^[16, 35]. He was born on 07 Jan 1893 in Illinois, USA^[16, 35].

Richard Harmon Kilmer and Cecil French. They were married Abt. 1920^[16]. They had 2 children.

- i. **James R. Kilmer**^[16]. He was born Abt. 1921 in Illinois, USA^[16].
- ii. **Leon Kilmer**^[16]. He was born Abt. 1928 in Illinois, USA^[16].
6. **Bertha M. French-3** (Clarence French-2, Rhoda Jane Fleshman-1)^[1, 29, 26]. She was born Nov 1882 in Indiana, USA^[1, 29, 26].

Charles Lewis^[1, 29]. He was born 1872 in Indiana, USA^[1, 29].

Charles Lewis and Bertha M. French. They were married on 24 Aug 1902^[1]. They had 3 children.

9. i. **Fern P Lewis**^[29, 36]. She was born Abt. 1907 in Indiana, USA^[29, 36]. She married ____ Frakes.
- ii. **Josephine Lewis**^[36]. She was born Abt. 1909 in Indiana, USA^[36].

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- iii. **Merlie Lewis** ^[36]. She was born Abt. 1905 in Indiana, USA ^[36]. She married Thurlow Heagie.
7. **Georgie French-3** (Edwin T. French-2, Rhoda Jane Fleshman-1) ^[20]. She was born Jun 1889 in Indiana, USA ^[20].
- ___ **Company** ^[21].
- ___ Company and Georgie French. They had 1 child.
- i. **Catherine Company** ^[21]. She was born Abt. 1907 in Indiana, USA ^[21].
- Arthur A Marcy** ^[22]. He was born Abt. 1874 in Indiana, USA ^[22].
- Arthur A Marcy and Georgie French. They had 1 child.
- i. **Theodore A. Marcy** ^[22]. He was born Abt. 1919 in Indiana, USA ^[22].
8. **Richard Bell French-3** (Edwin T. French-2, Rhoda Jane Fleshman-1) ^[20, 23]. He was born on 10 Oct 1895 in New Amsterdam, Harrison, Indiana, USA ^[20, 23, 31]. Fact on 15 Jun 1917 (Registered for World War I draft at age 22) ^[32]. Fact 2 1920 (Resided w/ wife and son in Evansville, Vanderburg Co, Indiana.) ^[33]. Fact 3 1930 (Resided w/ family in Indianapolis, Indiana.) ^[34]. Fact 4 1942 (Registered for World War II draft at age 46) ^[23].
- Marie R. Kelly** ^[31, 33, 34]. She was born on 30 Oct 1898 in Indiana, USA ^[37, 33].
- Richard Bell French and Marie R. Kelly. They were married on 09 Apr 1918 in Vanderburg County, Indiana, USA ^[31]. They had 2 children.
- i. **Richard B. French** ^[33, 34]. He was born Abt. Jun 1919 in Indiana, USA ^[33].
- ii. **Dorothy French** ^[34]. She was born Abt. 1920 in Indiana, USA ^[34].

Generation 4

9. **Fern P Lewis-4** (Bertha M. French-3, Clarence French-2, Rhoda Jane Fleshman-1) ^[29, 36]. She was born Abt. 1907 in Indiana, USA ^[29, 36].
- ___ **Frakes** ^[29].
- ___ Frakes and Fern P Lewis. They had 1 child.
- i. **Billie E Frakes** ^[29]. He was born Abt. Jan 1927 in Indiana, USA ^[29].

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- 15 White Co. (IL) 1920 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Hawthorne twp. Clarence L. French (age 27, b. Ind, farmer), wife Cora (age 25, b. IL), son Thomas (age 9, b. IL), son Philip E. (age 6, b. IL), father Clarence (age 65, b. Ind), mother Mary C (age 53, b. Ind), and bro Giltner (age 18, b. IL).
- 16 White Co. (IL) 1930 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Emma twp, Maunie village, Sheridan St. Richard Kilmer (age 37, m. at 27, b. IL, rural mail carrier), wife Cecil (age 33, m. at 23, b. Ind), son James R (age 9, b. IL), adopted son Leon (age 2, b. IL), mother-inlaw Mary French (age 63, widowed, m. at 21, b. Ind), Thomas French (age 19, b. IL, auto mechanic), Philip French (age 16, b. IL, dredgeboat laborer), and Thomas Kilmer (age 70, widowed, m. at 22, b. KY). Thomas and Philip were sons of Cecil's bro. Clarence and thus grandsons of Mary French.
- 17 Harrison Co. (IN) 1880 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Listed as son in Hugh and Rhoda (Fleshman) French household, age 17.
- 18 Harrison Co. (IN) 1880 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Listed as son in Hugh and Rhoda (Fleshman) French household, age 17.
- 19 Harrison Co. (IN) 1880 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Listed as son in Hugh and Rhoda (Fleshman) French household, age 14.

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- 20 Harrison Co. (IN) 1900 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Washington twp, New Amsterdam town, N. Main St. Edwin T. French (age 34, b. Sept 1865, Ind, painter, m. 11 yrs), wife Blanche (age 31, b. May 1869 Ind, m. 11 yrs, 2/2 children/living), dau Georgie (age 10, b. June 1889 Ind), son Richard B. (age 4, b. Oct 1895 Ind), boarder James Yontsler (age 30, b. July 1869 Ind, blacksmith), and boarder William J. Herr (age 67, b. Oct 1832 OH, divorced). RLN speculates this is the son of Hugh and Rhoda French.
- 21 Vanderburg Co. (IN) 1920 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Pigeon Twp, Evansville, 530 Taylor Ave; on the same block as son Richard and family (524 Taylor Ave). Edwin T. French (age 53, painter), wife Blanch (age 40), and granddaughter Catherine Company (age 13). All born in Indiana.
- 22 Marion Co (IN) 1930 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Warren twp. Arthur A Marcy (age 56, home value \$15000, m. at 29, real estate broker), wife George Anna (age 36, m. at 16), son Theodore A. (age 11), and father-inlaw Edwin T. French (age 64, m. at 25, divorced, paper hanger).
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- 26 Harrison Co. (IN) 1900 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Harrison twp, Corydon town. William F. Herndon (age 43, b. Aug 1856 Ind, owner sawmill), wife Josephine (age 41, b. June 1858 KY), son William S. (age 15, b. Mar 1885 IN), son Walter E. (age 13, b. Mar 1887 Ind), dau Virga L. (age 4, b. May 1896 Ind), step-son James L. French (age 21, b. June 1878 Ind, laborer, cannot read or write), and step-dau Bertha M. French (age 17, b. Nov 1882 Ind.).
- 27 Harrison Co. (IN) 1880 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Heth Twp. Clarence [sic] French household (age 25, b. Indiana, farmer), wife Josephine (age 23, b. Kentucky), dau. Rosella (age 5, b. Indiana), son James N (age 2, b. Indiana), and grandfather Daniel French (age 84, b. Virginia).
- 28 Indiana Marriage Collection, 1800-1941 (Ancestry.com), Julia F French and Thomas O Byerly, married 23 Sep 1905 in Harrison County, Indiana. Both aged 24. Julia's parents "C" and "J". Thomas' parents "O" and "E".
- 29 Floyd Co. (Indiana) 1930 U.S. Federal Census (Ancestry.com), New Albany Twp, New Albany. Charles Lewis household (age 58, m. at 29, b. Indiana, concrete finisher), wife Bertha M (age 48, m. at 19, b. Indiana), dau. Fern P Frakes (age 23, divorced, b. Indiana), and grandson Billie E Frakes (age 3y 3m, b. Indiana). The similarity in names, ages, and approx marriage date leads me to believe this is indeed the daughter of Clarence and Josephine French.
- 30 Gerald Ray Lewis Family Tree (<http://trees.ancestry.com/tree/1282739/person/-386739856>, Ancestry.com, Accessed May 2010), Clarence French - Overview.
- 31 Indiana Marriage Collection, 1800-1941 (Ancestry.com), Richard B. French, b. 10 Oct 1895, married Marie R Kelly on 9 Apr 1918, Vanderburg County, Indiana.
- 32 World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 (Ancestry.com), Richard B. French; 530 Taylor Ave, Evansville, Ind. Born 10 Oct 1896 in New Amsterdam, Indiana.
- 33 Vanderburg Co. (IN) 1920 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Pigeon Twp, Evansville, 524 Taylor Ave.; on same block as parents Edwin and Blanche (530 Taylor Ave). Richard B. French (age 24, telegrapher), wife Marie (age 21), and son Richard B. Jr (age 7m). All born in Indiana.
- 34 Marion Co (IN) 1930 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Center twp, Indianapolis, 2950 McPherson St. Richard B. French (age 33, m. at 22, manager at grocery store), wife Marie 9age 31, m. at 19), son Richard Jr. (age 10), and dau Dorothy (age 9). All born in Indiana.
- 35 World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 (Ancestry.com), Richard Harmon Kilmer, age 24, b. 7 Jan 1893, home Maunie, Illinois; farmer, single.

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- 37 Indiana Marriage Collection, 1800-1941 (Ancestry.com), Marie R Kelly, b. 30 Oct 1898, married Richard B. French, on 9 Apr 1918, Vanderburg County, Indiana.

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