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Birth: Jan. 9, 1881
Black Hawk
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Death: Jan. 27, 1959
Fort Collins
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Colorado, USA

FOLK LORE FROM THE FAMILY OF SHOOP AND MABLE ELLIOTT

Mable Guntle came from Oswego, Kansas to go to Summer School in Greeley, Colorado. She knew Onie and Len Foster from Kansas, who now worked for Abe Elliott Sr. as hired help. She took the train to Timnath and was meet by Shoop Elliott. He had been working all day on a combine, harvesting wheat. Mable thought he was the dirtiest man she had ever seen. He wanted Mable's address, so she took the tag off her suitcase and gave it to him. They wrote to each for a long time. One of Mable's letters to Shoop was written on a ribbon roll. Shoop said it was so long he had to lie down on the floor on his stomach to read it. (Eloise still has this letter).

They were married in Oswego, Kansas, June 23, 1920, in the "County Farm" house and in the same room where Mable was born. Ella Bell, Mable's Mother was also wed in the same room, and her funeral was held here. Another house was built on the original homestead property in Timnath and Abe and Shoop started their families here. Robert, Eloise, Rex and Anna Mae were born here. Robert had a problem with his stomach and was taken to Children's Hospital in Denver. They operated but he got pneumonia and was too weak to fight it. He died in October, 1921. Rex died June 15, 1927 from Spinal Meningitis. He was Eloise's little play mate.

One Christmas Eloise got a doll and Rex a wind up train. Rex played with the doll and Eloise played with the train. (Eloise still has the train.) Eloise had to say a little piece in church, she was all dress up and when it was her turn she walked up to the front of the church, Rex was right behind her. His funeral was held in the Timnath Church. Daddy give Eloise a white rose; as he carried her passed the casket she put the rose in his little hand.

After the deaths of the two little boys they



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invested in a herd of sheep and lost them all in a blizzard and when the Depression hit, the farm was lost at this time. Abe moved to the hotel in Timnath and Shoop moved his family to the "Green House" owned by Clint Nelson just south of Timnath. Pat and Phyllis were born in the Larimer County Hospital in Fort Collins.

On December 6, 1934, they bought a house from Vida Harrison for \$500.00. Daddy sold his insurance policy to buy this house. It wasn't the most beautiful place in the world, but soon became home. There were two bedrooms, kitchen, and living room. In one bedroom Mother put in two double beds and a dresser that was the "Marble Top". It had 4 drawers, one for each one of the girls. The house was full of bed bugs and had to be fumigated to get rid of them. There was no lawn just dirt and a cellar under the house was used for canned fruit, crocks of sweet pickles. Mother would send one of the girls down the cellar for a jar of fruit, but "don't shake it", because often times there were mold on it. There was an ice box on the back porch, which was used in the summer.

Ann remembers an ice man delivered the ice and would give us kids a chip of ice that was wonderful on a hot day. Pat and Phyllis remember getting ice in Fort Collins, and Daddy would put the block of ice in a burlap bag. The house was heated by coal burning range in the kitchen and pot belly stoves in the living room and bedroom. There was a water heater connected to the kitchen range, painted a sliver color. There was a spot worn in the paint where everyone rubbed against to ease an aching back or just to get warm on a cold winter morning.

Daddy went to Fort Collins in 1959, because his drivers license had expired. They made him take his drivers test again and the stress of not being able to pass the test and not being able to drive again, he answered three questions and had a massive heart attack and died.

Family links:

Parents:

[James Elliott \(1845 - 1886\)](#)

[Mary Elizabeth Morrison Elliott \(1845 - 1926\)](#)

Spouse:

[Mabel Gertrude Guntle Elliott \(1889 - 1970\)](#)

Children:

[Robert Monroe Elliott \(1921 - 1921\)*](#)

[Rex Morrison Elliott \(1923 - 1927\)*](#)

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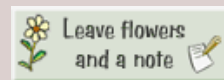
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