

## **JAMES W. McREYNOLDS**

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**JAMES WILBUR McREYNOLDS**, son of Robert Fleener McReynolds (1839-1924) and Emaline Amelia Maddox (1838-1907), was born in September 1869 in Worth County, Missouri. He married **HARRIETT MELVINA HULL**, daughter of George R. Hull (1844-1920) and Lydia C. Friend (1848-1902), on 1 Feb 1888 in Gentry County, Missouri. She was born in January of 1870 in Gentry County, Missouri.

In 1900, James and Harriett were living in Grant, Worth County, Missouri, where James was working as a “Hotel Landlord”. He and his family were one of the first settlers in the town of Montezuma, Kansas. By 1910, he was doing general farm work there. In 1920, he was President of the Montezuma State Bank.

James died in 1939, and Harriett passed away on 6 Sep 1961. They were buried at the Fairview Cemetery in Montezuma, Gray County, Kansas.

James and Harriett have five children:

**ADA LENORA McREYNOLDS** was born on 16 Nov 1890 in Missouri. She married Charles Kent Dawson on 8 Jun 1910 in Jackson County, Missouri. Ada died on 22 Jun 1979 in Dodge City, Kansas. Her burial was at the Fairview Cemetery in Montezuma, Gray County, Kansas.

**IDA O. McREYNOLDS** was born on 6 Jun 1892 in Worth County, Missouri. She married Dr. Edward Adams, son of William Jackson Adams and Almira Caroline “Allie” Ewing. He was born on 17 Jan 1883. He died on 29 Jun 1948 in Los Angeles County, California. Ida passed away on 25 Mar 1982 in Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas. Their burial was at the Maple Grove Cemetery in Dodge City.

**ELLIS E. McREYNOLDS** (*See... ELLIS E. McREYNOLDS, Project Consultant – Gray County*)

**LURA T. McREYNOLDS** was born on 8 June 1898 in Union Grove, Gentry County, Missouri. She married Fred Lewis Stanley, son of Miles E. Stanley and Elizabeth Jane Corn, in July of 1916. Fred was born on 25 Dec 1890 in Marion, Marion County, Kansas. Lura and Fred had the following children: Mac R. Stanley, Bud B. Stanley, Coleen Stanley, and Harriette Stanley. Fred died on 16 May 1976 in Concord, Contra Costa County, California. Lura passed away on 1 Jan 2002 in Sun City, Maricopa County, Arizona. Their burial was at the Fairview Cemetery in Montezuma, Gray County, Kansas.

**WILDA CLAIRE McREYNOLDS** was born on 6 Mar 1912 on a farm near Montezuma, Kansas, during a blizzard. Her parents sent her to the Mt. Carmel Catholic Girls School in Wichita, Kansas to pursue her musical talents. She graduated from Fort

Hays State Teacher's College in 1933 and then moved back to Montezuma to teach music, English, and French. Later Wilda moved to Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas, and continued teaching music and English. There, on 14 Sep 1939, she married Edward O. Gibb, son of William Hugh Gibb and Bertha Mary Galler. Edward was born on 20 Jul 1911 in Leavenworth, Leavenworth County, Kansas. He passed away on 3 Dec 2002 in Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas. Wilda died there on 13 Feb 2004, at her home. Their burial was at the Maple Grove Cemetery in Dodge City. Wilda and Edward had three children: Dale Claire Gibb, Gregory Edward Gibb, and Robert Gibb.