

## **MRS. JOHN L. PYLES**

Emma Elizabeth (Boettner) Pyles  
*Project Consultant – Greeley County*

**EMMA ELIZABETH BOETTNER**, daughter of John Boettner (1848-1900) and Barbara Martin (1850-1930), was born on 2 Jul 1871, in Salem, Monroe County, Ohio. On 20 Sep 1888, Emma married **JOHN LEWIS PYLES**, son of Josiah Pyles (1826-1904) and Elizabeth Ann Ervin (1841-1896), in Monroe, Clermont County, Ohio. John was born on 25 Dec 1859, in Belmont County, Ohio. He worked as a teacher and later he worked as a newspaper publisher.

About 1908, the family left Salem Township and moved to Kiowa, Elbert County, Kansas. By 1920, they had moved to Tribune, Greeley County, Kansas and this is where they spent the rest of their lives.

John L. Pyles died on 17 Aug 1942, in Tribune, Kansas. Emma died there on 11 Aug 1954. Burial was at the Greeley County Cemetery in Tribune, Kansas.

John and Emma had seven children:

**EDNA LILLIAN PYLES** was born on 20 Aug 1889, in Salem, Noble County, Ohio. Edna was married to Frank Archer Moore. He was born on 2 Apr 1889 in Iowa. Edna and Frank had two children, Frank Archer Moore, Jr. (1920-2002) and Miriam Lucille Moore (1921-1967). In 1920 and 1930, Frank was working as Postmaster for the Tribune, Kansas Post Office. He passed away on 22 Sep 1935 in Tribune and Edna passed away on 23 Feb 1983, in Alamosa, Alamosa County, Colorado. Their burial was at the Greeley County Cemetery in Tribune, Greeley County, Kansas.

**FRANKLIN LAWRENCE PYLES** was born on 28 Feb 1892 in Monroe County, Ohio. He married Bertha Lee Whitelaw (1892-1985) on 28 Sep 1915, at Eads, Kiowa County, Colorado. In 1942, Frank was working for the First National Bank in Eads, Colorado. Two children were born in their marriage, Barbara A. Pyles and Jane L. Pyles. Frank died in 1970. Burial was at the Eads Cemetery in Eads, Colorado.

**FLOYD WAYNE PYLES** was born on 27 May 1894 in Salem, Noble County, Ohio. He married Bessie E. Belshe, daughter of Burty Dale Belshe and Minnie C. Ludden, on 12 Sep 1915. Bessie was born on 12 Apr 1897, in Missouri. Floyd and Bessie made Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida their home in 1924. There, Floyd worked for the Fort Lauderdale News and Sun-Sentinel for 45 years. He later worked for the Gore Publishing Company as the production manager. Floyd passed away on 27 Jun 1977, in Fort Lauderdale and Bessie died there on 5 Jan 1986.

**HAROLD EUGENE PYLES** was born on 8 May 1898, in Ohio. He married Virginia L. Gettier, daughter of John C. Gettier and Virginia G. Holtzman. Virginia was born on 13 Oct 1907. Harold passed away on 26 Jul 1983, in Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida. Virginia died on 15 Jan 2004. Burial for both was at the Druid Ridge Cemetery in Pikesville, Baltimore County, Maryland.

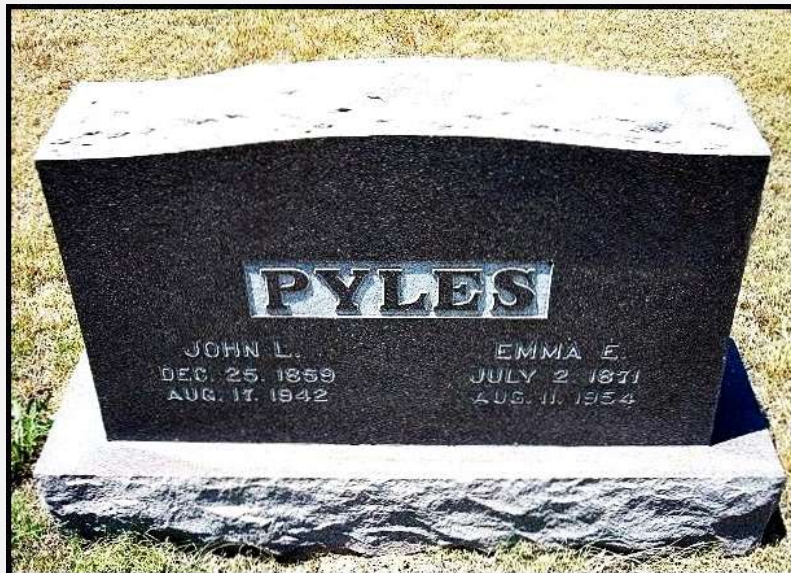
**OLGA LUCILE PYLES** was born on 1 Aug 1900 in Monroe County, Ohio. In 1930, she was married to Ayo Ingler. In 1976, Olga was living in Springfield Missouri where she had worked in a garment factory and retired there. Olga passed away on 27 Feb 1997 in Alamogordo, Otero County, New Mexico.

**BERNARD L. PYLES** was born on 27 Oct 1902. He married Coral Dowis, daughter of Albert Jack Dowis and Amelia A. Pratt. They had one daughter, Karen Pyles. Bernard worked as an attorney in Wichita, Sedgwick County, Kansas. He passed away on 4 Feb 1976. Coral died on 1 Mar 1987. Burial for both Bernard and Coral was at the Mission Chapel Mausoleum in Wichita.

**DOROTHY LAVELLE PYLES** was born on 7 Oct 1904, in Eads, Kiowa County, Colorado. She married William Henry Ridlen in about 1924. William was the son of Joseph Gibson Ridlen (*See Joseph G. Ridlen, Project Consultant-Greeley County*) and Gertrude Evelyn Wever. Dorothy passed away on 16 Jun 1994.

### Cemetery Headstone

JOHN LEWIS PYLES & EMMA ELIZABETH BOETTNER



GREELEY COUNTY CEMETERY  
Tribune, Greeley County, Kansas

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