Elizabeth and Andrew Baer

Children

Elizabeth Pyle married Henry Hines. After Henry dies, Elizabeth married Andrew Baer, and they had one daughter, Leila Baer.

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Leila W. Baer (1853-1934)

Leila W. [[1]](#footnote-1) Baer was born about 1853 [[2]](#footnote-2) to Elizabeth Pyle-Hines and Andrew Bear in Lancaster Pennsylvania. Leila’s father died December 18th 1854 in Lancaster. [[3]](#endnote-1) Her mother then married James C. Ewing December 22nd 1859 in Lancaster Pennsylvania. [[4]](#endnote-2)

In 1860 Leila’s name 1st appears as Eliza A. Hines, a daughter, living with James and Elizabeth Ewing, along with Elizabeth’s other children Lucretia and Henry Hines. Then in 1870 Leila was recorded as Eliza A. Bear, living with her mother. By 1880 Leila W. Bear was 1st recorded, living with her mother. In every record we found, Leila was identified as being single.

Leila was a popular singer, who sang in a number of venues in the Lancaster County, and surrounding areas. [[5]](#endnote-3)

In September 1881 Leila and her half sister Lucretia Doan were visiting Luray Virginia.[[6]](#footnote-3) On their return visit to Lancaster, the pair stopped in Shippensburg Pennsylvania, where Leila “…were she gave several exhibitions of her fine vocalization while there, she being a superior contralto singer, and has an extended reputation as such…” [[7]](#endnote-4)

After her mother Elizabeth died in 1895, Leila went to live with her half sister, Lucretia Doan in Philadelphia. In Lucretia Doan’s 1906 will, Leila was identified as Lucretia’s sister. [[8]](#endnote-5)

After Lucretia died in 1907, Leila went to live with Lucretia’s son, Henry Doan Jr. at 153 West Carpenter Street in Philadelphia Pennsylvania. [[9]](#endnote-6) Henry died in 1917, and in 1920 Leila lived with his wife Alice and her son Henry Carpenter Doan.

By 1930 Leila was a border in the home of Stephen Kille at 2040 65th Avenue Philadelphia. Leila was a music teacher.

Leila W. Bear lived at 6938 Cresheim Road in Philadelphia. She was 74 years old when she died October 24th 1934 at her residence. She was laid to rest October 27th in the Charles and Lucretia Doan family plot, F-19, at the Woodlands Cemetery in Philadelphia. Franklin W. Doan,[[10]](#footnote-4) of 123 South Broad Street Philadelphia, was the informant on her death certificate. FAG#: 158035854 [[11]](#footnote-5)

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End Notes

1. The middle initial of “W” may be for Wilkerson, who is the maiden name of Elizabeth’s mother. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Leila’s birth date is 1853, and not 1859 as determined from her age at the time of her death in 1934. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Andrew Bear Name, Age at time of Death, and Date of Death: The information came from the Andrew Bear obituary, Deaths, Wednesday, December 24th 1856, Lancaster Examiner and Herald, Lancaster Pennsylvania, Lancaster County Historical Society, 230 North President Avenue Lancaster Pennsylvania 17603. [↑](#endnote-ref-1)
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6. The news article only mentions the name Luray. Luray Virginia is directly south of Lancaster, and passes through Shippensburg Pennsylvania. There is also the Luray Caverns, originally called Luray Cave, which is a large celebrated commercial cave just west of Luray, Virginia. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
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9. Leila Bear Living with Henry Doan in 1914 Philadelphia: The information came from a news article, page #9, October 24th 1914, Night Extra, Evening Public Ledger, Philadelphia Pennsylvania, Lancaster County Historical Society, 230 North President Avenue Lancaster Pennsylvania 17603. [↑](#endnote-ref-6)
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11. Find-A-Grave, FAG, is a web site for cemetery memorials, http://www.findagrave.com [↑](#footnote-ref-5)