Mankamyer ~ Bittner

Somerset County Pennsylvania

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Preface

This all started with my wife’s grandfather, Paul Daniel Hines, and quickly turned into an interesting search to identify Hines family members, and their relationships. Except for my paternal Scottish Graham lineage, I and my wife’s predominate heritage is of German decent.

The series of papers on the Mankamyer ~ Bittner families are 3rd version research papers, and not written in a biography style. Each paper is filled with each family member’s timeline of life events and facts, with their own bibliographies, foot notes, and end notes. All papers belong to a whole volume of work on our entire Taylor ~ Graham family tree; outlining our own exploration into the landscape traveled by our families during the times they lived.

Our findings are as accurate as time allowed and the records that exist, but the papers still offer the reader their own family history discoveries, connections, and biographies.

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Introduction

My wife’s maternal grandfather was Paul Daniel Hines, who was born December 9th 1903 to Harry Hines [[1]](#endnote-1)and Harriet Thomas [[2]](#endnote-2) in Mauch Chunk, [[3]](#footnote-1)Carbon County, Pennsylvania. Paul was baptized November 8th 1914 at the Mathew Methodist Church Philadelphia Pennsylvania. [[4]](#endnote-3)

Paul attended the Williamson Trade School in Middletown Township, Delaware County Pennsylvania. He graduated in the class of 1924. Paul’s first employment took him to Jeannette in Penn Township, Westmorland County Pennsylvania. It was here he met Irene Belle Mankamyer of Meyersdale Somerset County. They married on September 29th 1926. [[5]](#endnote-4)

Irene worked for the County Home Management as a stenographer and bookkeeper. They made their home together on October 15th 1926 when Paul and Irene moved into 108 North Second Street Jeannette Pennsylvania.

Irene Belle Mankamyer was born November 3rd 1898 to Josiah Mankamyer [[6]](#endnote-5) and Ida Belle Bittner [[7]](#endnote-6) near Meyersdale, Somerset County Pennsylvania. Irene was only nine days old when her mother died November 11th 1898 of Typhoid Pneumonia and Fever. [[8]](#endnote-7) Irene then went to live with her mother’s Aunt, Alice Lepley-Blume, who was married to William Blume. Irene was 25 years old when she was formally adopted by Alice and William on February 4th 1922 in Somerset County. [[9]](#endnote-8)

This pamphlet of papers is the documented timeline of events for Josiah Mankamyer and Ida Belle Bittner, and William Blume and Alice Lepley.

What information we uncovered on this family is contained in this piece of work, which contains a general bibliography, foot notes, and end notes for each family member. The amount of information on some family members varies, and we are still attempting to locate the late 18th century Hines and Pyle family connections.

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End Notes

1. Harry Hines (1849-1928) Research Paper: Taylor-Graham Library, 479 County Line Road, York Springs Pennsylvania 17372. [↑](#endnote-ref-1)
2. Daniel Thomas (1853-1924) Research Paper: Taylor-Graham Library, 479 County Line Road, York Springs Pennsylvania 17372. [↑](#endnote-ref-2)
3. Mauch Chunk is known as Jim Thorp, Carbon County Pennsylvania [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
4. Paul Hines Date and Place of Baptism: The information came from Paul Hines daughter’s written note on his family, and his record of baptism indicated that Paul was born in Carbon County in 1903, and was baptized in 1914 in Philadelphia, Taylor ~ Graham Library, 479 County Line Road, York Springs York Springs Pennsylvania 17372. [↑](#endnote-ref-3)
5. Paul D. Hines Marriage: The information came from his marriage application, 1926 Marriage Application, Page 324; Clerk of Orphans’ Court Division, 111 East Union Street, Suite 145, Somerset, Pennsylvania 15501. [↑](#endnote-ref-4)
6. Josiah Mankamyer (1865-1957: Taylor ~ Graham Library, 479 County Line Road, York Springs York Springs Pennsylvania 17372. [↑](#endnote-ref-5)
7. Nathaniel Bittner (1846-1927): Taylor ~ Graham Library, 479 County Line Road, York Springs York Springs Pennsylvania 17372. [↑](#endnote-ref-6)
8. Ida B. Mankamyer Date of Death, and Cause: The information came from the Somerset County Death Register, Somerset County Historical Society, Taylor ~ Graham Library, 479 County Line Road, York Springs York Springs Pennsylvania 17372. [↑](#endnote-ref-7)
9. Irene Belle Mankamyer Birth Date: The information came from her Pennsylvania Death Certificate #: 29474, Pennsylvania, Death Certificates, 1906-1944 and 1906–1963; Series 11.90 (1,905 cartons); Records of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Record Group 11; Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 300 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120. [↑](#endnote-ref-8)