



Family Group Sheet

<b>Husband:</b>	<b>William Lee RHODES</b>
Source:	Rhodes.paf, Date of Import: Sep 3, 2000.
Born:	13 Jan 1879
in:	Effingham Co. IL
Source:	Rhodes.paf, Date of Import: Sep 3, 2000.
Died:	31 Oct 1952
in:	Macon Co. IL
Source:	Rhodes.paf, Date of Import: Sep 3, 2000.
Relationship with Father:	Enos A. RHODES - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Sarah Jane RAMSEY - Natural

Burial:	03 Nov 1952 Graceland Cem. Decatur, Macon Co. IL
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*When William (Willie) was 9 years old, his family moved to a one acre tract on Virginia Ave. in Effingham IL. This had been an old apple orchard and several apple trees which still bore apples remained on the premises. Willie spoke many times about his childhood at this place and how he used to play in the apple orchard, and climbing in the the apple trees. Willie and his sister Laura, who was 3 years younger, went to West Side School. Not being a good student he failed a couple of years. He quit school after the 8th grade and got a job as delivery boy for Mr. Jordan, a grocer. He was about 16 years old at that time and he kept this job for several years. In the 1900 census when he would have been 21 he is listed as a Dry Goods Clerk.*

*He got a job as a fireman of switch engines on The Pennsylvania RR when he was 21, so he must have started that job later in 1900. After 2 years this job became too physically demanding for a man of his small stature, so he quit this job. The next job he had was in a flour mill, hauling flour to the communities around Effingham with a team and wagon. This involved loading the wagon, driving to his destination then unloading the wagon and returning to Effingham. He must have worked on this job for a couple of years.*

*After this he got a job at the Van Camp Milk Condensury in Effingham. He was at this job for about 9 years. During these years he was also in the Militia (Co. G of the IL Nat. Guard). His unit saw duty at the Worlds Fair in St. Louis MO. that lasted from 1900 through 1904. He started work again on the Railroad in about 1914, this time in the freight depot. At some time I believe he took courses bookkeeping. He worked for a while as a demurrage Clerk which was an office job. He was working at this at the time he married Jennie Hughes, my mother. The family moved to Decatur IL in 1923, and Willie worked first for McClelland Grocery wholesale, then for Mueller Co. until 1934.*

*In 1930 He became very ill with a ruptred appendix and underwent surgery. Although he recovered from this & was able to work, He was often sick and suffered with digestive trouble for the next 22 years. He died at age 72 after surgery for a Colon Carcinoma.*

<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Wife:	Jennie Belle HUGHES
Married:	12 Aug 1917
Beginning status:	Married
in:	Macon Co. IL
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<b>Wife:</b>	<b>Jennie Belle HUGHES</b>
Source:	Rhodes.paf, Date of Import: Sep 3, 2000.
Born:	20 Jul 1892
in:	Effingham Co. IL
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Died:	01 Feb 1984

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in:	Macon Co. IL
Source:	Rhodes.paf, Date of Import: Sep 3, 2000.
Relationship with Father:	Joseph HUGHES - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Adaline Josephine McCAIN - Natural

Burial:	04 Feb 1984 Graceland Cem. Decatur, Macon Co. IL
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*Jennie was the seventh child of Joseph and Adaline (McCain) Hughes, and she had two sisters younger than her. Four of the children who came before her died in childhood. This left two living sisters older than her, and two living sisters younger than her. When Jennie was seven years old, her parents separated and were divorced. This began a series of events that was very traumatic to all of the Hughes sisters. Especially to Jennie because of her tender age.*

*Soon after the divorce, Joseph took the three youngest girls and moved to Cooksville IL, where they stayed in a boarding house ran by a Mr. & Mrs. Stagner. Since Joseph was a bridge contractor for the railroad, he was away from home much of the time, he tried to keep his young daughters close to him. For this reason they moved from Cooksville to Cabry IL while he was working in that area. When that job was finished he apparently moved back to Cooksville and went into the truck farm business with Mr. Stagner.*

*In about 1904, Jennie went to live with her sister, Mamie in Decatur IL and soon after her father also came to Decatur and married a divorcee, Mary Ellen Dixon. They established a household including the three Hughes girls and Mary Ellens two sons. They became struggling farmers in Macon Co. and when Jennie was ready to go into the 8th grade, her parents got her a job as a domestic for the Gulick family. From that time on, Jennie was essentially on her own. She worked as a domestic for other families and finally got a job at Aston Hall, a Millikin University dormitory. This led to her starting Nurse training in Charleston. She didn't like this type of work, so she dropped out and eventually went to work for the Shaw family whose daughter had Tuberculosis. Eventually Jennie accompanied Ivra, the daughter to Saranac Lake NY, a TB Sanitorium. It was from here that she started a series of correspondence with William (Willie) Rhodes of Effingham IL, whom she had known since early childhood. This culminated in a proposal of marriage by letter and she accepted and came home in 1917 to marry Willie. The couple set up housekeeping in Effingham, and later moved to Decatur. They raised three children. Jennie died at the age of 92 after a long & productive life.*

<b>Child:</b>	<b>Robert Lee RHODES</b>
Source:	Rhodes.paf, Date of Import: Sep 3, 2000.
Born:	28 Feb 1919
in:	Effingham Co. IL
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Relationship with Father:	William Lee RHODES - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Jennie Belle HUGHES - Natural

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*After High School, Robert attended Tri-State College of Engineering in Angola IN, in 1939 & 40, while on leave of absence from Mueller Co., his employer. He worked in Engineering at Mueller during 1941, 42, & 43. In 1944 he entered the Army. After basic training and special training in Combat Intelligence, he went to the ETO & saw combat with the 8th Inf. Div. After the war he returned to Mueller. He attended Millikin University in 1947-48 & in 1948-49. From then on he worked at Mueller in Decatur & Chattanooga until he retired 28 Feb 1984.*

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<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Wife:	Arnetha Catherine TAYLOR
Married:	12 Sep 1941
Beginning status:	Married
in:	Macon Co. IL
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<b>Child:</b>	<b>Laura Bernadine RHODES</b>
Source:	Rhodes.paf, Date of Import: Sep 3, 2000.
Born:	12 Oct 1920
in:	Effingham Co. IL
Source:	Rhodes.paf, Date of Import: Sep 3, 2000.
Died:	25 Aug 1990
in:	Sangamon Co. IL
Source:	Rhodes.paf, Date of Import: Sep 3, 2000.
Relationship with Father:	William Lee RHODES - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Jennie Belle HUGHES - Natural
Burial:	29 Aug 1990 Oak Ridge Cem. Springfield Sang. Co. IL
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*After High School Bernadine entered Nurse Training at Memorial Hospital in Springfield IL. She worked at various Nursing jobs during her married life. Bernadine & Allen had 3 children; William (Bill), Norma Jean & Sarah (Sally). Bernadine had Alzheimers disease for several years before she died at age 70.*

<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Husband:	Allen Roberts TOMLINSON
Married:	16 Sep 1942
Beginning status:	Married
in:	Sangamon Co. IL
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<b>Child:</b>	<b>Opal Virginia RHODES</b>
Source:	Rhodes.paf, Date of Import: Sep 3, 2000.
Born:	16 Oct 1922
in:	Effingham Co. IL
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Relationship with Father:	William Lee RHODES - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Jennie Belle HUGHES - Natural
Education:	1940 Graduated Decatur High School
Occupation:	Secretary, Mueller's and Lakeview High School
Religion:	Methodist

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*Opal took secretarial training in High School and followed this line of work throughout her career. She worked at Mueller Co. in the Purchasing Dept. during the war. After the birth of her second child she went to work for the Decatur School system as a school secretary and followed this until she retired.*

<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Husband:	Francis Lloyd HUNT
Married:	22 Nov 1945
Beginning status:	Married
in:	Decatur, Macon Co. IL
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<b>Child:</b>	<b>Catherine Marie RHODES</b>
Source:	Rhodes.paf, Date of Import: Sep 3, 2000.
Born:	03 Sep 1925
in:	Macon Co.IL
Source:	Rhodes.paf, Date of Import: Sep 3, 2000.
Died:	21 Apr 1926
in:	Macon Co. IL
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Relationship with Father:	William Lee RHODES - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Jennie Belle HUGHES - Natural

Burial:	23 Apr 1926 Graceland Cem. Decatur, Macon Co. IL
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*Catherine died at seven months of age from complications brought on from having Whooping cough.*

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