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USS Flier (SS-250)

Looking for Walter Joseph Klock

The Submarine on the left was the USS Flier (SS-250), a 1525-ton Gato class submarine built at Groton, Connecticut.

The USS Flier was commissioned in mid-October 1943. In January 1944, the Flier departed from Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, for her first war patrol. While entering the harbor at Midway Island during a storm, she went aground and was seriously damaged. The Flier was towed back to Mare Island, a Navy Yard in California where she was repaired and sent back out to fight. On June 4, 1944 she attacked and sank the transport Hakusan Maru. On June 13, she attacked a

Japanese convoy off Subic Bay. On June 22-23, hit another convoy off Mindoro apparently damaging one or more ships. On August 13, 1944 while in shallow water off South China Sea, the Flier struck a mine and quickly sank. Fourteen of 86 crewmen escaped, but only eight survived the long swim to reach shore. Among the dead was Chief Radioman Walter Joseph Klock.

On February 25, I received an e-mail from Vickie Rogers. "I'm a volunteer with the USS Flier Project, Vickie told me. "The USS Flier was a WWII submarine that went missing in 1944 and today this sub has been found." Vickie is trying to find the families of these lost sailors for a web site, www.oneternalpatrol.com. The primary purpose of this site is to honor the men of the U.S. Submarine Force by attempting to put faces to as many of the names on the lists of lost submariners as possible. Vickie gave me all the information she could find on Walter. He was born November 23, 1916 in Austin, Minnesota. His mother's name was Violet ROSE Klock (Rose was her maiden name). He had a brother named Robert. Walter was married to a woman named Velma and she was living in San Diego during the war.

I wanted to see if I could help Vickie find the family of Walter Joseph Klock and maybe a picture of him for the web site. I did not have this Walter on my Klock Family tree. I was able to find the same information on Walter that Vickie had sent me, but not much more. In the 1930 Census for North St Paul, Ramsey, Minnesota lists; Walter, then 13, his brother, Robert, 8; his mother, Violet Klock, 33. Violet is listed as divorced and living with the family of Helen M. Schust, 48. Helen may have been Violet's sister. Violet was married at age 19 making her married about 1916. The Social Security death index list a Violet Klock that lived in Saint Paul, Ramsey, Minnesota, born 29 September 1897 and died August 1986. If this is the same Violet Klock, it means she never remarried.

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Crew of USS Flier
Photo courtesy of Mary Ellen Crowley

That is all I could find on Walter Joseph Klock. I even tried calling several Klock families that live in Minnesota without success. If you have any information on Walter Joseph Klock, please let me know.

Check out the web site, www.oneternalpatrol.com

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The Winona Republican-Herald April 20, 1954 Winona, Minnesota

J.E.R. Neecks to Be Honored at Open House Here

Mr. and Mrs. J.E.R. Neeck, Milwaukee, formerly of Winona, will be honored at an open house in celebration of their golden wedding anniversary Saturday, from 2 to 9 p.m. at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Katherine Lambert, 566 ½ E. 5th St.

Mr. Neeck and the former Mary Alice Klock were married in Polo, Ill. On April 5, 1904, and they lived in Winona for 40 years. Mr. Neeck was employed as a traveling auditor for the C. & N. W. Rd. for 47 years, retiring in 1945. He then was employed at St. Mary's College, in the business office as an accountant, leaving there in 1952. Since December 1953 they have made their home with their youngest son, Robert, in Milwaukee.

In addition to Mrs. Lambert and Robert, they have five sons and one other daughter. They are Ernest, New York City; Kenneth and George, Winona, and Ellwood, Charles and Mrs. A.J. (Nora) Kulas, Milwaukee. They have 17 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Two grandchildren are dead.

No formal invitations are being sent. There will be a Mass at 8:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, the Rev. R.E. Jennings officiating, followed by a dinner at the Williams Hotel at 12:15 p.m. and the open house during the afternoon and evening.

Additional Information: Mary Alice Klock was a daughter of Martin J. Klock (Archibald, Cornelius, Jacob George, Johanguergh and Hendrick Klock) and Marie Kenyon Klock, she was born at Polo, Ill., Aug. 3 1883. On April 5, 1904 she married John E.R. Neeck at Polo, he died in 1959. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Winona, Minnesota, its Rosary society, and she was organist more than 25 years, a member and past president of Women's Relief Corps, Degree of Honor Winona Lodge 2, and life member Minnesota Soldiers Home Board. She was a resident at Sauer Memorial Nursing Home for about five years before her death in May 1975 at the age of 91. At the time of her death she had 20 grandchildren, 36 great grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

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Cameron Klock



The 2006-Klock Reunion Doubles Tournament

Those who attended the 2006 Klock Family Reunion will remember Cameron Klock. Cameron and Mike Wells won the Doubles Horseshoe Tournament. It came down to the boys vs. the girls in the finals. Robyn Klock and Peggy Wells pitched very well all day and were undefeated in the winners' bracket until the very end. Mike Wells and Cameron Klock came out of the losers' bracket and had to beat

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the girls' two straight games, which they did and won the trophies.



Cameron Klock

Cameron was killed April 8, 2009 in a motorcycle accident near his home in Echo Lake, Washington.

Cameron was riding his powerful Yamaha R1 when he saw in his path a car that appeared to be slowing down. Cameron accelerated to pass the car, driven by a 19-year-

old woman. The woman, not seeing him, turned left and Cameron struck her car. Cameron died from injuries from the resulting impact. He was 16 years old and attended Monroe High School.

Cameron was the son of Eric Marshall Klock (Donald Earl, Earl Herbert, John Chandler, John Beekman, Jacob George, Johanguergh and Hendrick Klock) and Susan Elaine Smith. He is survived by his parents Eric and Susan, a sister, Brittany, a brother, Derek and a half sister, Erika Von Klock.

John Beekman Klock

John Beekman Klock was born September 08, 1787 in St. Johnville, Tryon Co. New York, the son of Jacob George Klock (Johanguergh and Hendrick Klock) and Maritja Beekman. His father, Jacob G. Klock (March 9, 1738- Sept 19, 1814) practiced law in Kingston, New York and was a member of the Assembly for Temporary Government of the So. District of New York during the American Revolution. He also was a member of the first State Senate.

John served in the war of 1812. He moved from the Mohawk Valley to Ellery, New York in 1815 where he purchased Range II, Township 3, Ellery Township Lot 36 in December 1829. In Ellery he was Commissioner of Highways 1842 and 1843, and Commissioner of Common Schools.

Sherman O. Klock wrote, "John Beekman Klock left the Mohawk Valley and settled in the then western wilderness of New York, and what is now Chautauqua county at a date soon after

the beginning of the 19th century, and hewed a farm from the wooded land on a road that has since been known as "Pickard Street., but which was early known as "Dutch Hill".

John Beekman Klock married Margaret Klock, the daughter of Joseph G. Klock (George G., Johanguergh and Hendrick Klock) and Dorothy Timmerman. John Beekman and Margaret Klock had 15 children. The John Beekman Family Bible lists the children as follows;

1st born: Lucinda
Born- May 20, 1810, Fruesburg, NY
Died- April 07, 1881, Sheffield, Ill.

2nd born: Anna Eliza
Born- October 13, 1811, Frewburg, NY
Died- April 18, 1887, Sheffield, Ill.

3rd born: Dorothy
Born: March 11, 1813, Frewburg, NY
Died: July 15, 1883, Sheffield, Ill.

4th born: Son (no name)
Born: Dec. 30, 1814, Ellery, NY
Died: Jan. 8, 1915, Ellery, NY

5th born: Aron
Born: Nov. 1, 1815, Ellery, NY
Died: Mar. 4, 1864, Sheffield, Ill.

6th born: Lovina
Born: June 27, 1817, Ellery, NY
Died: July 30, 1895, Sheffield, Ill.

7th born: Oliver
Born: March 04, 1819, Ellery, NY
Died: Sept. 6, 1889, Jamestown, NY

8th born: Alexander
Born: July 10, 1821, Ellery, NY
Died: July 2, 1824, Ellery, NY

9th born: Son (no name)
Born: Jan. 16, 1823, Ellery, NY
Died: Jan 23, 1823, Ellery, NY

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10th born: Gleason Filmore
Born: Dec. 12, 1823, Ellery, NY
Died: June 10, 1900, Johnstown, NY

11th born: Mary Margaret
Born: Feb. 4, 1826, Ellery, NY
Died: Jan. 21, 1898, Sheffield, Ill.

12th born: John Chandler
Born: Sept. 6, 1828, Ellery, NY
Died: Oct. 12, 1890, Sheffield, Ill.

13th born: Christiana
Born: Mar. 31, 1830, Ellery, NY
Died: May 24, 1914, Independence, Mo.

14th born: Caroline
Born: Jan. 8 1832, Ellery, NY
Died: Dec. 13, 1906

15th born: Emeline
Born: Mar. 10, 1834, Ellery, NY
Died: 1908, Ellery, NY

Information from the John Beekman Klock Family Bible.

About 1857 John Beekman Klock removed to Sheffield, Ill., where he is buried. The head stone says he died Oct 15, 1860.

Cemetery List Continued From Last Month

Information for this cemetery list comes from several different sources and may not be completely reliable. If you have additions or corrections please let me know.

Lee Valley Cemetery Lee, Oneida County, New York

Klock, Cornelia C., b.1838, d.1913, wife (of Bowen E. Klock). Additional Information: Cornelia Briggs married Bowen Klock. Bowen Klock was the son of John J. Klock (Jacob G., George G., Johanguergh and Hendrick Klock) and Anna Hillegas.

Mack, Isabel Klock, b.1860, d.1937. Additional Information: Isabel Klock was the daughter of John Jacob Klock (Peter Clock, John I. Clock,

(Conrad Clock and Hendrick Klock) and Ellen Unknown. She married Eugene Mack.

Saint Joseph Cemetery Champlin Ave., Town of Whitestown Oneida County, New York

Klock, David M., b. 1967, d. 1988, St. Joseph Sec. No Information

Westernville Presbyterian Cemetery Oneida County, New York

VandauWaker, Cynthia M. (Klock) , d. Oct. 25, 1896 age 64 yrs, wife of George VandauWaker. **Additional Information:** Cynthia was the daughter of Conrad Clock, III (Conrad Clock, Jr., Conrad Clock and Hendrick Klock) and Elizabeth Unknown.

VanderWaker, George H. died May 8, 1858 age 29 yrs 23 days. Additional Information: George married Cynthia M. Klock above.

Rome Cemetery Oneida County, New York

Klock, Arthur Stewart 6/15/1898. No Information

Klock, Earl W 10/10/1925. Earl was the son of Hiram and Louisa "Yutzler" Klock. Additional Information: Earl Webster Klock was the son of Hiram (William Jr., William, Jacob Clock, Jacob Conrad Clock, Conrad Clock and Hendrick Klock) and Louisa "Yutzler" Klock

Klock, Emma 12/3/1875. No Information

Klock, Child of Gordon 1/26/1933. No Information

Klock, Hiram H 9/29/1933. Hiram was the son of William Klock, Jr. (William Klock, Jacob Clock Jacob Conrad Clock, Conrad Clock and Hendrick Klock)and Celia Bliss. Hiram married Louisa Yutzler.

Klock, Louise 7/2/1955. Louise Yutzler married Hiram H. Klock above.

Klock, Mark May 3/13/1892. No Information
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**Oneida Castle Cemetery
Oneida County, New York**

Klock, Charlotte, May 19, 1895. Additional Information. I have Charlotte Smith born May 07, 1840. She married James Klock (below).

Klock, James, March 25, 1902. Additional Information: James was the son of Jonas Klock (Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) and Serepta Carlisle. James was born November 14, 1833 and died March 25, 1902. He married Charlotte A. Smith. (Above)

Klock, Sarah 1835/39-1912. No Information

**Evergreen Cemetery
Lee, Oneida County, New York**

Klock, Carrie B., b.1866, d.1929. No Information

Klock Family Reunion

The Klock Family Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 7, 2010 at Fort Klock in St. Johnsville, New York. The cost will be \$10.00 per person (\$5.00 in advance - non-refundable) which will include a great meal prepared by Frank Snyder.

½ Chicken, corn on the cob, coleslaw, beverages and desert.

Paul Graff, who portrays a Mohawk Valley Militiaman and Susan Jones, portraying a Native American female will demonstrate loading and firing of flintlock weapons. Between weapons demonstrations, Paul and Susan will be basket weaving and telling stories about the history of the Mohawk Valley.

For those interested in genealogy, Cathy Ossenfort will be on hand with computer, books and other Genealogy information.

Below is a form you can use to let me know if you can attend. I will need to know how many people plan on attending the Reunion no later than July 15, 2010.

Mail to: **David W. Klock**
262 North Snyder Street
P.O Box 402
Marcellus, Michigan 49067

Please enclose \$5.00 for each person attending the Klock Family Reunion that will be held August 7, 2010 at Fort Klock in St. Johnsville, New York. I understand this deposit is not refundable. Children age 3 and under are free.

_____ Number of people planning on attending the Reunion.

\$_____ Amount enclosed (\$5.00 in advance for each person)

Name _____

Address _____
