Mary Jane Lehman (1874 - 1918)

Mary Jane Lehman was born August 11th 1874 to Margaret Wrightstone and Mr. Lehman. In 1880 Mary lived with her grandparents, John and Margaret Wrightstone, in Monaghan Township York County Pennsylvania.

In 1880 Mary Lehman, grand-daughter, was living with John and Elizabeth Wrightstone in Monaghan Township York County Pennsylvania. Mary may also have changed her name to Shuff.¹

When Mary Lehman was 21 years old she married 26 year old Samuel J. Neff on November 28th 1895 in Mechanicsburg Cumberland County Pennsylvania. Samuel was born October 1868 to Oliver and Martha Neff.² In 1900 Mary and Samuel lived next door to John and Elizabeth Wrightstone in Upper Allen Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

Mary Jane Lehman-Neff died October 27th 1918. Samuel continued to live in Upper Allen Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania. Prior to 1940 he then moved his family about three miles, and lived on Main Street Grantham Cumberland County Pennsylvania. Samuel Neff died in 1950. Mary and Samuel were both laid to rest in the Mechanicsburg Cemetery, Plot: Section G, Lot 54 located in Mechanicsburg Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

Mary and Samuel Neff had ten children.

- i. John W. Neff was born October 1896.
- Alice Margaret Neff was born March 1898. When Alice was 26 years old, she married 27 year old Wilbert Georg Elicker on August 28th 1924 in Harrisburg Dauphin County Pennsylvania. Wilbert was born 1897 to Willaim H. Elicker and Rosa Hasler. ³
- iii. Charles L. Neff was born November 1899.
- iv. James Oliver Neff was born 1901. At 23 years old James married 22 year old Bertha Amanda Lear on November 11th 1924 in Cumberland County Pennsylvania. Bertha was born in 1902 to John Lear and Clara Hershey.⁴
- v. Ralph V. Neff was born in 1903. When he was 21 years old he married 20 year old Ester M. Kline on July 3rd 1924 in Cumberland County Pennsylvania. Ester was born in 1904 to John M. Kline and Annie Knauk. ⁵
- vi. Martha E. Neff was born 1905.
- vii. Anna M. Neff was born 1907.
- viii. Arthur S. Neff was born January 1910.
- ix. Thelma L. Neff was born 1914.
- x. Evelyn Minerva Neff was born 1916. On March 25th 1943, Evelyn married Robert Benjamin Weber in Harrisburg, Dauphin County Pennsylvania. Robert was born to Henry C. Weber and Jessie Garman.⁶

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