

BLACK, THOMAS ERWIN

Birth

April 12, 1914 in Scranton,
Osage Co., Kansas



Death

December 18, 1995 in
Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa at
Mercy Hospital Medical Center

Cause of Death

Heart ailment

Cemetery Lot

Buried on Lot 131

Father

John Wesley Black

Mother

Melissa Rebecca Jolly

Census

1915 – Fairfax Twp., Osage Co., Kansas; State census; Page 11

Dwelling 74; Family 74

Black, J. W.	28	KS
Malissa	23	KS
Sarah	06	KS
Jessie	04	KS
Mable	02	KS
Thomas	11 months	KS

1920 – Fairfax Twp., Osage Co., Kansas; ED107; Page 1A; January 5, 1920

Dwelling 7; Family 7

Black, John W.	39	Farm labor	KS	VA	OH
Millesia	28		KS	NC	Scot
Sarah	10		KS	KS	KS
Jessie	08		KS	KS	KS
Mable	07		KS	KS	KS
Tomas	05		KS	KS	KS

Esther	03	KS	KS	KS
Bernice	02	KS	KS	KS

1925 – Jefferson Twp., Madison Co., IA; Jan 1, 1925; Roll IA1925_1825

Line 1, House #15

Black, John W.	43	KS		
Malicy	33	KS		
Sarah	16	KS		
Jessie	14	KS		
Mable	12	KS		
Thomas	11	KS	KS	KS
Esther	08	KS		
Berniece	07	KS		
Hellen	01	IA		

Refer to the John W. Black census above for the 1925 complete census.

1930 – Valley Twp., Valley Junction, Ward 3, Polk Co., IA; ED 123; Page 17B; April 14, 1930

Black, Wesley	48	farming	KS	KS	KS
Malissa	39		KS	PA	Scot
Sarah	21		KS	KS	KS
Jessie	19		KS	KS	KS
Thomas	16		KS	KS	KS
Ester	14		KS	KS	KS
Bernice	12		KS	KS	KS
Helen	06		IA	KS	KS

1940 – Norwalk, Linn Twp., Warren Co., Iowa; ED91-18; Page 3B; April 10, 1940

East Camp; West St.

Family 72

Black, John W.	58	Laborer-Co. Rock Quarry	KS
Melissa R.	48		KS
Thomas E.	25	Laborer-Cement Plant	KS
Helen I.	15		IA

WWII Draft Card Registration
Registration Place

Thomas Erwin Black
Residence: Norwalk, Warren Co., Iowa
Date of birth: April 12, 1914
Place of birth: Scranton, Kansas
Employer: Marquette Cement Company
Weight: 161
Complexion: Ruddy
Color of eyes: Brown
Color of hair: Black

Height: 5' 7"

Next of kin: Melissa Rebecca Black (mother)

Obituary

[The Des Moines Register, Wednesday, December 20, 1995, page 7M]

Thomas Erwin Black, 81, of 2130 S. E. Fifth St. died of a heart ailment Monday at MercyHospitalMedicalCenter. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Southtown Funeral Home, with burial in PleasantRidgeCemetery at Orilla.

Mr. Black was born in Scranton, Kansas, and had lived most of his life in Des Moines, where he was a retired mail handler for The Des Moines Register. He was a member of the American Legion in Cumming.

Survivors include two sisters, Mabel Smith of Des Moines and Bernice Black of Whitefish, Montana.

The family will greet friends from 4 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

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Military

He was in WWII in the Coast Guard. His serial number was 230-709 and his rank was a Cook 2nd Class. His unit was Ship Cook 2nd Class. He was inducted on October 3, 1941 in Des Moines, Iowa and was discharged on September 3, 1946 in Alameda, California. His parents were John Wesley Black and Melissa Rebecca Jolly.