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WALTON 130

December 10, 1992

Town Clerk  
Town of Salem  
Washington County, NY

Dear Sir:

In perusing the manuscript files at the New England Historic and Genealogic Society in Boston, I came across the enclosed document, written in 1936, which places my Smith ancestors in Salem in the early 1800's. I would imagine that the information in the enclosure was taken from a family Bible. My Rogers ancestors moved to Washington County from Worcester County, Massachusetts about 1800. Thomas Baker moved his family to Salem from Colrain, Massachusetts before 1800. Rogers family Bible records in my possession contain the following events, but give no place names.

Marriage of Edverdum "Verdy" Rogers and Phoebe Baker 3 Jan 1805

Birth of:	James M. Rogers	16 Sep 1805
	Betsey Rogers	26 Apr 1807
	Arial Rogers	18 Jun 1809
	Mariah S. Rogers	26 May 1811
	(a son)	
	Marianne Rogers	14 Feb 1818
Death of:	Samuel Rogers	28 May 1805
	Captivity Peters Rogers	18 May 1810

I wonder if there are any records surviving in Salem to confirm Mary's birth as well as to confirm the others and give them a place? If any records do exist, I would like copies of all available information for use in writing our family history. I've enclosed a check good for up to twenty dollars to cover costs. Please fill in the amount for me. Thank you.

Yours truly,

Raymond J. Porter

Smith

ONL 12/10/8

January 9, 1991

Mrs. Homer J. Perkins  
Genealogy Department  
Flower Memorial Library  
Watertown, NY 13601

Dear Carolyn:

It looks like you may have found the answer to some of my problems with Levi Smith. I had the listing of Levi Smith from *Jefferson County Revolutionary Burials* (copy enclosed), but I did not connect him to Levi Smith of Lorraine. For one thing, I did not expect him to be that old. I was expecting another generation between Mary Smith, my great-great-grandmother, and the Revolution.

Mary Smith was born 24 July 1808 in Vermont. Levi, the Revolutionary soldier, was born 25 May 1755, which would make him 53 at the time of her birth. That's a little old, but not unreasonable. The Mary Smith, wife of Levi Smith, who is buried in Ellisburg, was born about 1772 and would have been about 36 when my Mary Smith was born. She is young enough to be the wife of a son of the elder Levi who had died, but could also be the wife of the elder Levi. It's not that uncommon to find a man married to a woman 17 years his junior. She may have been a second wife.

The Betsy Allen Smith buried in Worth appears to be another wife that Levi married after Mary died. The fact that her daughter is named Sally Allen Wilcox suggests to me that Allen was Betsy's married name. She was born about the same time as Levi's wife, Mary, so she is too old to be a wife of one of Levi's sons.

Land and probate records, if any exist, appear to be crucial to unraveling the puzzle. I will also get the full pension file(s) on Levi Smith to see if they contain anything of interest.

I am enclosing a check good for up to \$30.00 in case you need more time for your research and to cover the time you have already spent on my behalf. Please fill in the amount for your total bill. Thank you.

Yours truly,

Raymond J. Porter

Genealogy Department  
Flower Memorial Library  
Watertown, New York  
13601

*Recd 1-7-91*

4 January 1991

Mr. Raymond Porter  
13662 Loretta Drive  
Tustin, California 92680

Dear Mr. Porter:

I am enclosing a zerox copy of the abstract of the Revolutionary War pension of Levi Smith.

I also found the following information:

Hough's HISTORY OF JEFFERSON COUNTY (pub. 1854)  
Levi Smith of Ellisburg listed as  
Revolutionary soldier age 85

ELLISBURG CEMETERY

Smith, Mary wife of Levi d. 26 July 1838 age 66

Child's GAZETTEER OF JEFFERSON COUNTY

Col. Sterling Wilcos married Sally daughter  
of Levi and Betsey (Allen) Smith

RISING CEMETERY Town of Worth

Smith, Levi (no dates)  
Betsey Allen d. 9 Feb. 1865 age 92

1850 census Town of Worth page 353

Smith, Levi	46
Clarissa	48
Harris	16
Sally M.	14
Mary A.	10
Lucy A.	8
Joseph M.	6
William W.	4

Smith, Jeremiah	25
Miranda	31
Joseph	2

*probably  
son*

Worth was formed from Lorraine in 1848. Lorraine is located between Ellisburg and Worth.

My fee for searching deed and probate records is \$5 an hour. I would estimate that two hours would be sufficient. Please make a check payable to me.

Sincerely,

*Carolyn C. Perkins (Mrs. Homer)*

**Levi Smith**

**Born** May 25, 1755 at Haddon, Conn.

**Died** ~~Oct. 7 1850~~ <sup>4 Sept 1848</sup> in town of Ellisburg, Jeff. Co., N. Y.

**Married**

*Betsy Allen*

**Born** 1773

**Died** 9 Feb 1865 at 92 1/2 W. Worth

**Service:-** Levi Smith enlisted at West Hampton, Mass. in Capt. Catlin's Co., of Col. Mosely's regiment of Mass. troops for 4 mos. Enlisted in Capt. Wales' Co. for 2 mos.

Veterans Administration  
Washington, D. C.  
S. O. 14505

**Remarks\*** There does not seem to be much to be found about Levi Smith. At the time he applied for a pension was a resident of Henderson, Jeff. Co. N. Y. Had lived at Wallingford, Vt. before coming to Jefferson Co. *lived in Ellisburg for 8 years. Betsy Allen Smith is buried in the Worth Cemetery. Her daughter Sally Wilcox, nee Sterling Wilcox lived at Worth and her mother may have lived with her.*

SERVICE

Mass.

Smith, Levi

NUMBER

S. 14505 <sup>①</sup>

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carded

b. May 25 1755 at Haddam, Conn.  
ent. at West Hampton, Mass  
res. in 1833, Henderson, Jefferson Co, NY

Participated in capture of Burgoyne, battle of Valence Hill (Valentine?)  
Served 2 mo under Capt. Wales, 4 months under Capt. Cablin in Col. Hovey's regiment of Massachusetts  
state troops.

File # 0912225, NY Archives 1st P. 801, Roll 12225  
Rev War Pension and Bounty - Land Warrant Application  
Smith, Levi  
3-19-91

1976 New York

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Gen Smith

of Hudson in the State of New York  
who was a Private in the <sup>commanded</sup>  
by Captain <sup>of the Regt. commanded</sup>  
by Gen Moxley in the Massachusetts  
line for 6 months

Entered on the Roll of New York  
at the rate of 20 Dollars ~~per annum~~  
commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Enlisted as Private on the 12 day of Decem.  
ber 1832 and sent to Hungerford

Amount to 1st of Sept 1832 — \$30.00  
Penal allowance ending 4 Mar 33 10.00  
\$40.00

{ Revolutionary Claim,  
Set Jan. 7, 1832. }

Recorded by Geo. B. Stiles, Clerk  
Book D Vol. D Page 140



6<sup>0</sup> Paid at the Treasury under  
the Act of the 1. Apr. 1838  
from 4 March to 4. Sep 1840.  
Agt. Reliqua 25 Oct 1841

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Second Comptroller's Office,

October 9<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Sir:

Under the act of the 6th of April, 1838, entitled "An act directing the transfer of money remaining unclaimed by certain Pensioners, and authorizing the payment of the same at the Treasury of the United States," Levi Smith \_\_\_\_\_ a Pensioner on the Roll of the Albany, N.Y. Agency, at the rate of Twenty — Dollars and \_\_\_\_\_ Cents per annum, under the law of the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832, has been paid at this Department, from the 4<sup>th</sup> of March, to the 4<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1840.

Respectfully yours,

*Wm. A. Davis*

Comptroller

To the Commissioner of Pensions.

Present.

No. 8767  
Levi Smith

5

admitted

6 mo

\$20

C. Hungerford  
Notary at L.

**SWORN** in the case of *Levi Smith*  
of *Henderson* in the State of *New York*  
(Act 7th June, 1898.)

1. Was the declaration made before a Court or a Judge? *in open court*

2. If before a Judge, does it appear that the applicant is disabled by bodily infirmity?

3. How old is he? *Seventy seven*

4. State his service, as directed in the form annexed.

Period.	Duration of Service.			Rank.	Names of General and Field Officers under whom he served.
	Years.	Months.	Days.		
<i>In 1877</i>		<i>6</i>		<i>private</i>	<i>Capt. Moody; Regiment Massachusetts</i>

5. In what battles was he engaged? *none named*

6. Where did he reside when he entered the service? *West Hampton, Massachusetts*

7. Is his statement supported by living witnesses, by documentary proof, by traditional evidence, by incidental evidence, or by the rolls? *Traditional evidence*

8. Are the papers defective as to form or authentication? and if so, in what respect? *papers correct in form and authentication*

I certify that the foregoing statement and the answers agree with the evidence in the case above mentioned.

*W. Gordon*  
Examining Clerk.

Levi Smith

8/67

W. H. H. H.

W. H. H. H.

Levi Smith

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W. H. H. H.

W. H. H. H. (agent)?

STATE OF NEW YORK, } ss.  
Jefferson County, }

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ON this 2<sup>d</sup> day of September 1832, personally appeared in open Court, before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, in and for said County, now sitting, *See*  
*Smith* a resident of Henderson in said County, aged 77 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress, passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as here-  
in stated.

In the year 1777, at West Hampton Mass. admitted  
served the time for two months under Captain  
Wells - 4 months under Capt. Collier - Col. Mowley.  
Capt. Mowley with the State Troops - marched to White  
Plains - and to Valeriantine's Hill and was finally victor,  
at White Plains - General Gates equal General Burgoyne was  
in command at the taking of Burgoyne - at which place  
I was - does not recollect in which of the two camps,  
but thinks in the two months under Capt. Wells - he  
was at the taking of Burgoyne - but knows he served  
six months in the year of Burgoyne's capture -  
a part of the time was at Troy point - has no doc-  
umentary evidence - knows of no living witness - was born  
in Hudson Co. 25<sup>th</sup> May 1755 - as recorded in the  
Town Books of that town - Since the War has  
lived in West Hampton - Wallingford Vermont - now  
in Henderson - This deposition is not recanted  
in what order of time the service was performed  
but immediately after performing the one went out in  
the other - both services were for and in Col. Mowley's  
Regt. - The 1<sup>st</sup> Col. Wells was killed - the Major's  
name was May - at what place - that he served  
as a private in the 1<sup>st</sup> Col. Wells - the above named  
Regt. a-22 in ~~the~~ other - an unrecanted  
under which Capt. Wells served 4 months - but thinks it  
is not certain whether the service at White  
Plains was prior or subsequent to, then against the  
Goyne - but directly after coming home from West  
point to the other - was in the Continental Army  
and followed up Burgoyne and helped take him

before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, in and for said County, now sitting, See 77 years.  
*James L. Henderson* a resident of Henderson in said County, aged 77 years, (EA)  
who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress, passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated.

In the year 1777 at West Hampton New York  
entered the service for the month under Captain  
Wells 4 months under Capt. Collier Col. Morsley  
Regt. Mays in the State Troops - marched to White  
Plains and to Valcour's Mill and was finally discharged  
at White Plains - General Gates & General Lincoln were  
in command at the taking of Burgoyne - at which place  
I was - does not recollect in which of the two camps  
but thinks in the two months under Capt. Wells he  
was at the taking of Burgoyne - but because he served  
six months in the year of Burgoyne was captured -  
a part of the time was at Tarrytown - has no direct  
evidences - Names of no Army witnesses - he is now  
a Merchant on Long 25<sup>th</sup> May 1785 - age 25 years on the  
Long Books of that time - Since the War has  
lived in West Hampton - Ballispy's Account - now  
in Henderson - This account is not correct  
in other order of them the same service were performed  
but immediately after performing the one went out in  
the other - both names have been found in the Muster  
Books - The first Liberty was in 1780 - the other  
in 1781 - as stated in the Muster Books - that he served  
as a private in the militia in 1781 - the other name in  
Henderson and 2 in the other - are an estate  
under which Capt. Wells 4 months - but there is no  
evidence - he was ordered whether the name is White  
Plains was prior or subsequent to a time as stated in  
paper - but immediately after coming home from one camp  
went to the other - there is the Declaration of Independence  
which followed his Burgoyne and signed before him -  
his memory is somewhat impaired - signs  
by mistake having lost his right arm -

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He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or Annuity except the present; and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.  
Sworn to, and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.

*P. P. Burchard*

*his  
Levi & Smith  
mark*

*Wm. Asaiah May* a Clergyman, residing in the Town of *Sutton* in said County, and *Hiram Babbitt* residing in *Sutton* hereby certify, that we are well acquainted with *Levi Smith* who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration; that we believe him to be *77* years of age; that he is reputed and believed, in the neighborhood where he resides, to have been a soldier of the Revolution, and that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn to, and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.

*P. P. Burchard*

*Asaiah May  
Hiram Babbitt*

And the said Court hereby declare their opinion, after the investigation of the matter, and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department, that the above named applicant, was a Revolutionary Soldier, and served as he states. And the Court further certifies, that it appears to them that *Asaiah May* who has signed the preceding certificate, is a Clergyman, resident in the town of *Sutton* and that *Hiram Babbitt* who has also signed the same, is a resident in *Sutton* and is a credible person, and that their statement is entitled to credit.

**J. PELEG BURCHARD**, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, do hereby certify, that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said Court in the matter of the application of *Levi Smith* for a Pension.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the Court, this *10th* day of *September*, 183*2*.  
*P. P. Burchard*



Com. of Pensioners  
Dear Sir: -

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Levi Smith

Ellisburg N.Y.

Private in Mass. Militia

placed on Pension Roll

Nov 7-1833 - age 77 yrs

List in Syracuse Library  
N.Y.

Mrs. Betsey Allen -

yours truly

Anna L. Brown

(Mrs. E.H.)

Friend Alice - A.R.

Jan 18, 1915

Adams sign 4



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

Washington, D. C., \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

In reply to your request of \_\_\_\_\_, received \_\_\_\_\_  
 for a statement of the military history of \_\_\_\_\_  
 a soldier of the REVOLUTIONARY WAR, you will find below the desired  
 information as contained in his (or his widow's) application for pen-  
 sion on file in this Bureau. *S. 14,505*

DATES OF ENLISTMENT OR APPOINTMENT.	LENGTH OF SERVICE.	NAME.	OFFICERS UNDER WHOM SERVICE WAS RENDERED.		STATE.
			CAPTAIN.	COLONEL.	
<i>1757</i>	<i>2 mos</i>		<i>Wales?</i>	<i>Mosley</i>	<i>Mass</i>
<i>1758</i>	<i>4 mos</i>		<i>Kirtland</i>	<i>Mosley</i>	
<i>Valentine Hill, Capture of Burgoyne</i>					

Battles engaged in, *Valentine Hill, Capture of Burgoyne*  
 Residence of soldier at enlistment, *Sept 10 1757*  
 Date of application for pension, *Sept 10 1830*  
 Residence at date of application, *Sept 10 1830*  
 Age at date of application, *not known from May 24 1835*

Remarks: *There is no family data in file.*

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

1915. An. 23: History to 2000s  
E. N. Boone. M.A.#

*Perkins*

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INVALID.

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File No. 14505  
Levi Smith  
Pres. Rev. War

Act: June 7<sup>th</sup> 1862

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[Arrangement of 1890.]

HUSBAND: Harold Mathiesen 56  
Born: 5 Feb 1912<sup>1</sup>  
Marr: 15

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WIFE: Ruth Meredith Smith 42  
Born: 1 Mar 1905 Chicago, Cook Co, IL<sup>2</sup>  
Died: 10 Apr 1987 Largo, Pinellas Co, FL<sup>2</sup>  
Buried: 15 Apr 1987 Largo, Pinellas Co, FL<sup>2</sup>  
Father: Dwight William Smith 38  
Mother: Pearl Esther Porter 33

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CHILDREN (X = ancestor of preparer)

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REFERENCES

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<sup>1</sup>C.J. Porter, Jr. family record.

<sup>2</sup>Memorial card.

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Prepared by: Raymond James Porter  
Rel. to husband:

Rel. to wife: 1-Cousin

**HUSBAND: Joseph Smith<sup>1</sup>** 1773  
 Born:  
 Marr: 20 Apr 1656 Hartford, Hartford Co, CT<sup>2</sup> 730  
 Died: Jan 1689/0 Hartford, Hartford Co, CT

**WIFE: Lydia Huit<sup>3</sup>** 1774  
 Born:  
 Died: circa 1711

**CHILDREN (X = ancestor of preparer)**

1	Name: Joseph Smith <sup>1</sup>		1775
M	Born: Mar 1657	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	
	Marr: 11 Feb 1680/1		731
	To: Rebecca Dickinson <sup>1</sup>		1776
	Died: 1733		
2	Name: Samuel Smith <sup>1</sup>		1777
M	Born: May 1658	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	
	Died: (deceased)	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT <sup>4</sup>	
3	Name: Ephraim Smith <sup>1</sup>		1778
M	Born: 8 Sep 1659	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	
	Marr: Apr 1686		732
	To: Rachel Cole <sup>1</sup>		1779
	Died: 5 Apr 1751		
4	Name: Lydia Smith <sup>1</sup>		1780
F	Born: Apr 1661	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	
	Died: (deceased)	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT <sup>4</sup>	
5	Name: Simom Smith <sup>1</sup>		1781
M	Born: 2 Aug 1662	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	
	Marr: 1689		733
	To: Hannah Bliss <sup>1</sup>		1782
	Died: after 1715		
6	Name: Nathaniel Smith <sup>1</sup>		1783
M	Born: Oct 1664	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	
	Marr: 9 Jul 1686		734
	To: Esther Dickinson <sup>1</sup>		1784
	Died: 1715 <sup>5</sup>		
7	Name: Lydia Smith <sup>1</sup>		1785

Prepared by: Raymond James Porter

Rel. to husband: 7G-GrandSon

Rel. to wife: 7G-GrandSon

HUSBAND: Joseph Smith

WIFE: Lydia Huitt

## CHILDREN (Continued)

F	Born: 14 Feb 1665/6 Marr: To: Lanerick Flowers <sup>1</sup>	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	736 1788
8 F	Name: Susanna Smith <sup>1</sup> Born: 11 Jun 1667 Marr: To: John Dickinson <sup>1</sup>	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	1786 735 1787
9 F	Name: Mary Smith <sup>1</sup> Born: Nov 1668	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	1789
10 F X	Name: Martha Smith <sup>6</sup> Born: Mar 1670 Marr: 9 Nov 1693 <sup>8</sup> To: Barnabus Hinsdale Died: Dec 1738	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT <sup>7</sup>	1722 705 1721
11 M	Name: Benjamin Smith <sup>9</sup> Born: 21 Jul 1671	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	1790
12 F	Name: Elizabeth Smith <sup>1</sup> Born: Nov 1672 Marr: 8 May 1695 To: Joseph Gilbert <sup>1</sup>	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	1791 737 1792
13 F	Name: Sarah Smith <sup>1</sup> Born: Apr 1674 Marr: To: John Spencer <sup>10</sup>	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	1793 738 1794
14 M	Name: Edward Smith <sup>1</sup> Born: 19 Jun 1677 Died: before 1715 <sup>11</sup>	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	1795
15 F	Name: Mercy Smith <sup>1</sup> Born: 16 Nov 1678 <sup>9</sup> <sup>oik</sup> Died: before 1715 <sup>11</sup>	Hartford, Hartford Co, CT	1796

## REFERENCES

HUSBAND: Joseph Smith

WIFE: Lydia Huitt

<sup>1</sup>Savage.

<sup>2</sup>Hartford V.R. D:25.

<sup>3</sup>Dau. of Ephriam Smith. Savage.

<sup>4</sup>Died young.

<sup>5</sup>Possibly.

<sup>6</sup>Hinsdale Gen.

<sup>7</sup>Hartford V.R. D:19.

<sup>8</sup>Hartford V.R. FFS:54.

<sup>9</sup>In London 1715. Savage.

<sup>10</sup>Savage.

<sup>11</sup>Probably.

**HUSBAND: William Dwight Smith** 43  
Born: 16 Jan 1915 Chicago, Cook Co, IL<sup>1</sup>  
Marr: 12 Jun 1948 16  
Died: 23 Feb 1992 Crandon, Forest Co, WI<sup>1</sup>  
Buried: 26 Feb 1992 Elmhurst, Cook Co, IL<sup>1</sup>  
Occ: Comm Artist  
Father: Dwight William Smith 38  
Mother: Pearl Esther Porter 33

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**WIFE: Leona Marie De Boer** 57  
Born: 10 Jun 1915<sup>2</sup>  
Res: Crandon, Forest Co, WI

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**CHILDREN (X = ancestor of preparer)**

1	Name: Dwight P. Smith	64
M	Born: 7 Apr 1955 Chicago, Cook Co, IL <sup>2</sup>	
	Occ: Asst. Professor	

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**REFERENCES**

<sup>1</sup>Memorial card.

<sup>2</sup>C.J. Porter, Jr. family record.

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Rel. to husband: 1-Cousin

Rel. to wife:



HUSBAND: John Ulmer 54  
Born: 14 Aug 1902<sup>1</sup>  
Marr: 14

WIFE: Ellen May Smith 40  
Born: 3 Jul 1901 Chicago, Cook Co, IL<sup>1</sup>  
Died: 10 Apr 1974 Chicago, Cook Co, IL<sup>1</sup>  
Father: Dwight William Smith 38  
Mother: Pearl Esther Porter 33

CHILDREN (X = ancestor of preparer)

1	Name: Carolyn Ulmer	55
F	Born: 17 Aug 1933 Chicago, Cook Co, IL <sup>1</sup>	
	Res: Edina, Hennepin Co, MN	

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