

**Great Grandmother**  
**Pearl Jewett Wade Roberts**  
**1886-1976**

**Great Grandfather (biological)**  
**Harrison ‘Harry’ Wade**  
**1879-1945**

**Great Grandfather (step)**  
**Harrison ‘Harry’ Roberts**  
**1885-1956**

*Based on my mother, Barbara Pearl Yenney Saucerman. Bio/timeline prepared by Stephen S. Saucerman 4-5-2019*

**P**earl Wade Roberts was born to Walter Reed Jewett and Emily ‘Emma’ Roberts<sup>1</sup> Jewett on March 5, 1886 in Arlington, Iowa. Pearl spent a happy and active childhood growing up in Arlington. She graduated from Arlington High School and later attended upper Iowa of Fayette. On December 25<sup>th</sup>, 1905, pearl married Harrison ‘Harry’ Wade. To this union, three daughters were born: Ruth Wade (later Yenney of Janesville, WI), Lillian Wade (later Prichett of Rockford, IL) and M. Fay “Aunt Babe” Wade (later Gaynor of Hinsdale, MT).



Pearl Roberts was a spiritual and exceptionally active woman. She participated in scores of local social affairs/functions, worked as a bookkeeper for Interstate Power Company in Arlington, and was deeply devoted to her church and faith. As history moved into the Great Depression, in 1929 Pearl lost her father

**We are pleased to see Miss Pearl Jewett at school again. She has been ill for about two weeks.**  
 Arlington News, Arlington, Iowa, US  
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Walter a heart attack and then – in January of the following year - her mother Emma passed away. Still, Pearl remained positive and active in the community and devoted her time to friends, family, religion and supporting local causes.

In time, Pearl (invited by her husband Harry) became a member of the Arlington Masons & Eastern Stars - Aldebaran Chapter OES No. 259; the WSCS (Women’s Society of Christian Service; particularly within the Esther and Naomi Circles); the Pastime Embroidery Club, and many more area groups. On October 14<sup>th</sup>, 1945, Harry Wade passed away, but Pearl re-married again in 1952, this time to another ‘Harry’ – Harrison Roberts. Sadly, Harry Roberts would only live until 1956. The following year, she fell on the front porch of her home and fractured her shoulder. Pearl was 71 years old at the time.

**Marriage Licenses.**

Will N. Killerlain—Alice L. Kennedy.  
 Jans B. Johnson—Sophia Sampson.  
 Albert J. Steggall—Effie M. Carmichael.  
 Harry J. Wade—Pearl Jewett.  
 M D. Holmes—Bertha M. Mears.  
 J. W. Glass—Fannie Gillett.  
 George A. Rubendall—Cora Entwissel.  
 A. F. Smith—Katherine L. Enhart.

Oelwein Register, Oelwein, Iowa, US  
 December 13, 1905, Page 5

Understandably concerned over her welfare, Pearl’s family (and particularly her daughter Ruth Yenney of Janesville, WI) urge her to move to Janesville, which she agrees to in late 1957. In Arlington, farewell parties are held and sincere, sad and heartfelt goodbyes are offered by friends and family. The ‘permanent’ move doesn’t take however, as Pearl returns home to Arlington in April of 1958. She picks up right where she left off with her clubs

<sup>1</sup> To avoid confusion, please note that there are two unrelated infusions of the surname ‘Roberts’ in Pearl’s timeline, the first with her mother’s maiden name and the second coming when she marries Harry Roberts later in life.

My mother compiled this for me,  
many years ago.

M. Faye Gaynor  
"Babe"

Auntie born Turkey Timber - Lodomilo Tap  
July 9 - 1858  
Mother Uncle Will & Uncle Frank Wis  
1854  
Drove from Wis in covered wagon <sup>near Racine</sup> Grandpa got stock <sup>Cattle</sup> sheep  
Turkey Timber - May before Auntie was 2 yrs old  
1860.

Settled south of Wheeland place. Bot 400.  
About 6 years here.

Old home place - 1000 A. Bot.  
About 1891 moved to town.

Henry Jenkins - Grandpa's youngest brother came with  
them to Iowa. Went to War (Civil). Died of typhoid fever  
Born June 16/1835 in Jamaica Long Island 3 sisters  
Grandma's maiden name Sarah Jenkins 3 brothers  
Died Apr 21/1918  
14 years old when married Married Mar 22<sup>nd</sup> 1851 7 brothers  
29 " " " Grandpa 4 sisters

Grandpa died Jan 3/1906-85 3 brothers came U.S.  
Grandpa born in Cornwall Co 2 " settled in Wis  
England Aug 22/1828 Henry in Galena <sup>meat</sup> market  
James " Beloit farmer

Came to Arlington 1893

Dad  
9/20 Mother born Dec 11<sup>th</sup> 1851 Married May 17 - 1873  
y 26/29 Papa " Apr 5<sup>th</sup> - 1848

Grandpa & Grandma lived near  
Racine until spring 1855

Ancestry/family notes in Pearl's handwriting given to daughter Faye

and activities, broken up with occasional (and even winter long) visits home to her daughters. In 1960 however, the family once again convinces Pearl to move to Janesville and this time it takes. Pearl sells her home in Arlington and takes up residence with her daughter Ruth. At 74 years old(!), she goes to work as a bookkeeper for the J. M. Bostwick Store in Janesville and in a short time is even promoted to head bookkeeper.

Pearl continues to travel back and forth to Arlington (this time, escorted by her daughters) to see old friends, but as she nears 80 years, her health understandably begins to decline. Around 1970, Pearl is admitted to the Homestead Convalescent Center in Janesville. She dies on August 30, 1976, at the age of 90. She is survived by her 3 daughters, 3 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren, and one great, great, granddaughter. She is preceded in death by her parents, 2 husbands, and 4 sisters. She is buried at the Taylorsville Cemetery.

## FACTS & GENERAL INFORMATION – PEARL JEWETT WADE ROBERTS:

<b>Circa:</b>	<b>1886-1976</b>
<b>Relationship</b>	<b><i>Great Grandmother</i></b>
<b>Who</b>	<b>Pearl Jewett Wade Roberts</b>
Birth date	March 5, 1886
Death date	Monday, August 30, 1976
Occupation:	Homemaker/bookkeeper
Birth where	Fairfield Township, Fayette County, IA
Death where	Janesville, WI
Burial loc:	Taylorville Cemetery
<b>Spouse:</b>	<b>Harrison 'Harry' Herbert Wade</b>
Married date:	December 25, 1905
Birth date	December 11, 1879
Death date	Sunday, October 14, 1945
Birth where	IA
Death where	Fairfield Township, Fayette County, IA
Burial loc:	Taylorville Cemetery
Children #1:	Lillian (Prichett) Wade – Rockford, IL
Children #2:	Faye "AUNT BABE" (Gaynor) Wade - Great Falls, Montana
Children #3:	Ruth W. Wade Yenney-Knight
<b>Mother:</b>	<b>Emily 'Emma' Jewett</b>
<b>Father:</b>	<b>Walter Reed Jewett</b>
Sibling #1:	Lilly May (1874 died few weeks after birth)
Sibling #2:	John Caleb 'Johnie O' (1876 died at 1 yr; 4 months)
Sibling #3:	Minerva (Mrs Roy Metcalfe) (1877-)
Sibling #4:	Emma (Mrs. Geo Hetzel) (1878-)
Sibling #5:	Nelly (Mrs. A. C. Bassit) 1881-
Sibling #6:	Myrtle (Mrs H. W. Handy) (1884-)
<b>Other Spouses:</b>	<b><i>Harrison 'Harry' G. Roberts (married 1945)</i></b>

## Pearl Jewett-Wade-Roberts Timeline/Chronology

<b>Date</b>	<b>Pearl's Age</b>	<b>Event/Item</b>
March 5, 1886	-	<b>Emily 'Emma' and Walter Jewett welcome a new daughter, Pearl (*great grandmother) into the world.</b>
<i>1886</i>	-	<i>Geronimo and his band of Apaches surrender to Brigadier General Nelson Miles at Fort Bowie, AZ.</i>
1891 (through 1911)	5 - 20	Summary: Pearl goes to school, graduates Arlington High School and then attends Upper Iowa University in Fayette.
<i>1891</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>Alternating current is transmitted for the first time at Ames power plant near Telluride, Colorado.</i>
June 6, 1896	10	Pearl Jewett is a guest at Misses Hattie & Minnie Miller of East Ninth Street
Feb 10, 1898	12	Pearl Jewett and Estelle Lickiss are reported to have one tardy each at school.
July 20, 1899	13	Pearl Jewett is the Monday evening guest of L. Bess Robbins
Oct 5, 1899	13	Pearl Jewett returns to school after being sick for 2 weeks
Nov 2, 1899	13	Pearl Jewett of Arlington visits the school in district 9
March 29, 1900	14	Pearl's sister Emma is married to George Hetzel at the Walter Jewett home in Arlington



August 1, 1901	15	Pearl Jewett and others sing a special song at the Sunday School Convention of Fairview Township
December 5, 1901	15	Pearl Jewett is neither absent nor tardy from school in the last reporting period
<i>1903</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>First 2-way wireless communication between Europe/US is by Marconi when he transmits a message from President Theodore Roosevelt to the King of England from a telegraph in Wellfleet, Massachusetts.</i>
December 25, 1904	18	Pearl and her family are entertained for Christmas at the home of Mr/Mrs L. James
December 13, 1905	19	<b>Marriage license submitted to Harry J. Wade and Pearl Jewett</b>
December 25, 1905	19	<b>Pearl Jewett marries Harrison 'Harry' Wade. They go on to have three daughters, Ruth, Lillian and M. Faye</b>
March 31, 1906	20	<b>Harry and Pearl Wade welcome a daughter, Ruth (*grandmother), into the world. (*It appears Pearl was 6 months pregnant when she married Harry Wade)</b>
1907	21	<b>Harry and Pearl Wade welcome a daughter, Lillian, into the world.</b>
November 14, 1907	21	Pearl Wade and two daughters spend Friday at the George Hetzel home
January 2, 1908	22	Pearl Wade hosts her cousin, Miss Leona Roberts for a week
<i>1908</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>First passenger flight on a plane when Wilbur Wright escorts Charles W. Furnas in the Wright Flyer III at a field in Dayton, Ohio. Also, first production Model T is built at the Ford plant in Detroit, Michigan.</i>
1909	23	<b>Harry and Pearl Wade welcome a daughter, M. Faye [Aunt Babe] into the world.</b>
+/- 1910	24	Pearl Jewett/Wade teaches country school for one year
January 11, 1917	31	Pearl Wade and Miss Pearl Smith spend Friday in Fayette
1918	32	<b>Sarah Jenkins Roberts (Pearl's grandmother) dies.</b>
+/- 1920	34	Pearl becomes the bookkeeper for the Interstate Power Company in Arlington, IA
May 24, 1923	37	Pearl's parents, Walter & Emily Jewett celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on May 17th.
July 12, 1923	37	Pearl Wade of Arlington 'has been assisting Mrs. Frank St. John with her household duties'.
December 15, 1927	41	Pearl throws a surprise party for mother Emma Jewett for her 76th birthday. Emma is described as 'an exceptionally active lady for one of her years'.
May 26, 1929	43	<b>Pearl's father, Walter Jewett dies at the home of his daughter, Pearl Wade in Fayette last Sunday. Walter had been in ill health for some time.</b>
January 9, 1930	44	<b>Pearl's mom, Emma Ann *Roberts-Jewett dies at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Roy Metcalfe in Fayette, IA. She is interred at Arlington Cemetery. (*note: to avoid confusion, there ARE 2 separate, unrelated infusions of the surname 'Roberts' in Pearl's timeline. This is just a coincidence.)</b>
<i>1930</i>	<i>44</i>	<i>It's the middle of Great Depression of 1929; Astronomers discover the planet Pluto; Clarence Birdseye invents frozen food; The Star-Spangled Banner by Francis Scott Key is approved as the national anthem.</i>
November 10, 1932	46	Pearl Wade and 2 daughters spend Friday at the home of Mrs. George Hetzel.
April 6, 1933	47	Newspaper blurb: "there as been no woman on the grand jury since 1926, when <b>Pearl Wade</b> of Oelwein served, she being perhaps the first woman grand juror ever to serve in Fayette county".
December 13, 1934	48	Pearl Jewett attends the quarterly meeting of the Union Church in Wadena on a stormy day.
<i>1941</i>	<i>55</i>	<i>Attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec 7th, USA declares war on Japan the next day.</i>
October 14, 1945	59	<b>Harrison 'Harry' Wade (Pearl's husband) dies at 66 years old</b>
1952	66	<b>Pearl Wade marries Harrison 'Harry' Roberts</b>
January 10, 1952	66	Pearl Wade and Lillie Lickiss hosts Mrs. Zana Rau and Mrs. E. R. Toddhunter for New Years
February 7, 1952	66	Pearl gives lesson at WSCS meeting
February 21, 1952	66	Pearl is a guest for Mr/Mrs Charlie Wescott's 41st anniversary dinner celebration
February 28, 1952	66	Pearl gives devotions at the regular meeting of the Esther Circle of the WSCS

1952	66	<i>General Dwight D. Eisenhower gains easy victory over Democratic challenger Adlai E. Stevenson.</i>
January 14, 1953	67	At the open meeting of the Arlington Masons and Eastern Stars (Aldebaran Chapter OES, No. 529), both Harrison and Pearl Roberts are elected as officers for the next year
January 15, 1953	67	Pearl is put in charge of the worship service and lesson for the Feb 4th meeting of the Esther Circle of the WSCS
February 26, 1953	67	Pearl is initiated into the order of the Aldebaran Chapter, OES (Church of Christ Ladies) of Arlington
April 23, 1953	67	Pearl gives a report on the book, "The Safari" - about the work of the men and women missionaries in Africa - at the Esther Circle of the WSCS
April 23, 1953	67	Pearl is elected chairman of the WSCS group, including Esther and Naomi Circles
October 15, 1953	67	Pearl Roberts conducts dedication service for the treasure chest project at the regular WSCS meeting
1953	23	<i>Fighting ceases in the Korean War; the Soviet cold war builds; the first color televisions go on sale.</i>
March 11, 1954	68	Pearl is appointed 'Missionary Education Secretary' for the upcoming year of the WSCS at their regular meeting
January 13, 1955	69	In a Masons and OES Joint Installation meeting, Pearl escorts her husband, Harrison Roberts, to 'his station in the East' (Order of the Eastern Star)
January 12, 1956	70	Pearl presents Masonic Chapter gift to her husband, Harrison Roberts, at the regular meeting of York Lodge No. 202, A. F. & M. A.
July 12, 1956	70	Elmer Yenney and daughter Ruth Yenney are dinner guests at Pearl's home on the 4th of July.
August 16, 1956	70	Pearl accompanies Mr/Mrs George Gaynor to their home in Hinsdale, Montana for a few weeks visit.
1956	70	<b>Harrison 'Harry' Roberts dies.</b>
September 13, 1956	70	Pearl arrives home in Arlington after spending several weeks away to her daughters in Montana and Wisconsin.
September 20, 1956	70	Pearl & Mr/Mrs Roy Ward attend a rural, mail carriers meeting in Guttenberg.
September 27, 1956	70	Pearl hosts Adah Circle of the WSCS at her home.
October 10, 1956	70	Pearl Roberts is appointed Executrix for the estate of Lillie James Lickiss following Lillie's death
October 11, 1956	70	Pearl is a guest for supper at Mr/Mrs Ray Masters
October 18, 1956	70	Mr/Mrs. Ray Masters & Pearl Roberts are Oelwein callers last Tuesday.
February 7, 1957	71	<b>Pearl Roberts fell on her front porch last Sunday evening and fractured her shoulder. She was taken to Willard Hospital, Manchester and then transferred to Schoitz Hospital in Waterloo, where she had surgery last Tuesday.</b>
July 11, 1957	71	Elmer/Ruth & Mr/Mrs C. E. Pritchett visit Pearl in Arlington and then all attend funeral for Pearl's sister, Mrs. Herman Handy.
August 1, 1957	71	Mrs. George Gaynor and son Greyson of Hinsdale, Montana visit Pearl Roberts and sisters Mrs. Elmer Yenney, Janesville, and Mrs. Cyril Pritchett of Rockford, IL at Pearl's home.
September 12, 1957	71	Pearl Roberts hosts the Pastime Embroidery Club at her home.
October 17, 1957	71	Pearl Roberts presents 'A Trip with a Missionary' to the WSCS meeting attendees.
November 14, 1957	71	Pearl returns home after spending 10 days with daughters and families of Cyril Prichet of Rockford, IL and Elmer Yenney of Janesville, WI
November 21, 1957	71	Pearl finishes her 6-week study-session of the Gospel According to Mark at the Methodist Church.
November 28, 1957	71	Pearl is a guest for a pheasant dinner at the home of Leslie Yearous.
1957	71	Pearl Wade Roberts moves to Janesville, where she leads an active life
1958	72	<i>Explorer I, the first U.S. space satellite, is launched by the Army at Cape Canaveral. It would discover the Van Allen radiation belt.</i>

April 24, 1958	72	Pearl returns home after spending winter in Janesville & Rockford, IL
June 19, 1958	72	Pearl Roberts receives visitors Mr/Mrs Thornton Roberts in her home on Monday evening.
July 4, 1958	72	Louise Flemming and Mr/Mrs. Ray Masters are guests of Pearl for a picnic and 4th of July supper.
August 7, 1958	72	Pearl spends Sunday afternoon at her sister, Mrs. Roy Metcalf of Fayette.
August 21, 1958	72	Pearl is a dinner guest at Ray Masters home.
October 1, 1958	72	Naomi Circle meets with Pearl Roberts (+ one other entry of Pearl visiting/meeting/calling on friends and family.)
October 9, 1958	72	Naomi Circle meets with Pearl Roberts (*Actually, a total of FOUR separate entries where Pearl is visiting/meeting/calling on friends and family :-). Pearl is still quite sociable.
October 20, 1958	72	Mrs. Leo Metcalfe of Fayette visits Pearl Roberts home.
October 23, 1958	72	The Naomi Circle of the WSCS. [Women's Society of Christian Service] of the Methodist Church meet at the home of Pearl Roberts. 10 members are present.
October 30, 1958	72	Elmer/Ruth Yenney call on Mrs. Pearl Roberts on Friday PM and later all attend funeral for Andrew Drummermuth in Elgin, IA.
November 13, 1958	72	Pearl Roberts presents 'Decades of Human Rights - People's Struggle for Freedom' at the local WSCS Meeting in the church dining room (a local lady's group)
November 27, 1958	72	Pearl Roberts gives devotions and lesson 'How Far is it From Bethlehem' at the Naomi Circle, a women's group who'd served dinner that day at a local athletic banquet. Pearl closed with a poem about Thanksgiving.
May 30, 1959	73	Elmer/Ruth Yenney bring Pearl Roberts home to Arlington after she's spent the winter in Janesville and Rockford, IL
June 25, 1959	73	Pearl Roberts and friends are in West Union conducting business on Tuesday
September 24, 1959	73	Pearl Roberts is present for the Members of Naomi Circle of the WSCS regular meeting this week
October 8, 1959	73	Pearl Roberts travels to Fayette to visit her sister, Mrs. Metcalfe (who has been ill), for a week.
October 15, 1959	73	Pearl Roberts home is purchased by Mr/Mrs James Brink (as Pearl prepares to move to Janesville).
November 5, 1959	73	Farewell party is held for Pearl Roberts by her friends and family in/near Arlington. She is going to live in Janesville to be nearer to her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Yenney.
March 10, 1960	74	The Pastime Embroidery Club is 'glad to have Pearl Roberts at their meeting' in the meeting notes.
June 2, 1960	74	Pearl Roberts is accompanied by Mr/Mrs Elmer Yenney in her visit to Arlington on Sunday. They also visited friends and relatives in Fayette.
June 9, 1960	74	Pearl Roberts is welcome back after being in WI with her daughter Ruth for the winter months
July 7, 1960	74	Pearl Roberts conveys property over to Thorton D. Roberts and Ethel G. Lathrop Parcel in Lot 37; block 9; Park Addition in Arlington, IA
July 14, 1960	74	Pearl Roberts assists with devotions at the regular meeting of the Methodist WSCS of Christian Service in Arlington
+/- 1960	74	Pearl becomes head bookkeeper at the J. M. Bostwick Department Store of Janesville, WI.
January 12, 1961	75	Pearl Roberts' letters are read at the Pastime Embroidery Club meeting
March 16, 1961	75	Pearl Roberts of Janesville was present as a member of the Jolly Neighbors Club in Arlington, hosted by Mrs. Neola Squires. Canasta was enjoyed by all in the afternoon.
August 31, 1961	75	Pearl Roberts of Janesville visited Mrs. Mattie Carnall this week
September 21, 1961	75	Pearl Roberts of Janesville was a guest at the Garden Prairie Missionary Society meeting this week
1963	77	<i>President John F. Kennedy is mortally wounded by assassin Lee Harvey Oswald in Dallas, TX.</i>
October 24, 1963	77	Pearl Roberts visited Mrs. Mattie Carnall in Fayette last Friday

May 14, 1964	78	Pearl Roberts visits Mrs. Beatrice Gardner and other friends in Arlington this week
November 4, 1965	79	Pearl Roberts visits Mrs. Beatrice Gardner in Arlington
August 11, 1966	80	Pearl Roberts give quilt blocks to the Pastime Embroidery Club to be used in quilts distributed to elderly homes
June 27, 1968	82	Pearl Roberts (who has been ill) of Janesville gets a visit from Beatrice Gardner of Elgin
September 26, 1968	82	Pearl Roberts visits friends in Arlington this weekend
June 12, 1969	83	Pearl Roberts leaves for Janesville after a short visit with Arlington friends
1969	83	<i>Neil Armstrong becomes first man to set foot on the moon; the Internet - called Arpanet at the time - is invented by Advanced Research Projects Agency of the U.S. Department of Defense.</i>
September 18, 1969	83	Pearl Roberts of Janesville visits friends in Arlington over the weekend
+/-1970	84	Pearl Wade Roberts is admitted to the Homestead Convalescent Center.
January 13, 1972	86	Pearl Roberts' correspondence is read at the Pastime Embroidery Club meeting
August 31, 1976	90	<b>Pearl Wade Roberts dies in Janesville WI at the age of 90 years, 5 months and 26 days.</b>
September 2, 1976	90	<b>Funeral services are held for Pearl Wade Roberts, who died Aug 31st, 1976 at 90 years of age</b>

*Note #1: Many of the dates in the timeline are those of the newspaper publication date. Events described may have happened a few days prior.  
Note #2: In case you saw it and became confused, there WERE two separate instances of the 'Roberts' surname being inserted into the family line.*