

COURS FAMILY GENEALOGY

1. Eugene Cours

Adelaide “Adele” Boulanger Cours, b. March 5, 1843; d. 1922. Buried at Westcott Cemetery. Shares a marker with Marie, b. 1871; d. 1954. When Gaston Cours sold a small a family plot to her in 1898, her name was given in the deed as Margareta Adelaide Boulanger Cours.

Children: Eugene and Adelaide had seven children. They emigrated to the United States in 1872 or 1882. In the 1905 city directories and the 1910 census, some of their adult children were living at home with their widowed mother. In the 1920 census, Albert, Marie, and Joseph were living with Adele as well as granddaughter Blanche Westcott.

- i. **Marie Cours**, b. 1871; d. 1954. Shares a marker with mother Adelaide. Lived with brother Joseph as of the 1930 census. Never married per her death certificate.¹
- ii. **Albert Cours** (blacksmith, T. & N.O. RR, 1905 CD; blacksmith, 1910 census; forging machine man, S. P. RR, 1911 CD), b. 1873 or 1874, d. 1957. Widowed per the 1940 census and living with Gaston and Clara D.

Married **Kathryne (or Kathryn) Geary** in 1927.

- iii. **Joseph Cours** (blacksmith, T. & N.O. RR, 1905 CD; blacksmith, S. P. RR, 1911 CD), b. 1876 or 1877, d. 1934.

Married **Almira Westcott Cours**, b. 1873, d. 1951. Joseph and Almira had one child:

(a) **Blanche Westcott**, b. circa 1903.

- iv. **August Cours** (railroad car repair, T. & N.O. RR; blacksmith, 1910 census; bolt header, S. P. RR shops, 1911 CD)
- v. **Jules Alphonse Cours**, b. September 22, 1885, d. April 16, 1958.² (apprentice tinner, T. & N.O. RR, 1905 CD; coppersmith, S. P. RR shops, 1911 CD). Buried in Rosewood Funeral Home and Cemetery, Humble, Texas.

Married **Florence L. Flock (or Flax or Flakeo) Cours**. Jules and Florence had three children:

(a) **Ray Cours**

(b) **Joseph Milton Cours**, b. 1922, d. 1973.

¹ “Marie Cours,” Texas death certificate #8439, Texas Department of State Health Services, Austin Texas, via Ancestry.com.

² “Jules A. Cours,” Texas death certificate #22210, Texas Department of State Health Services, Austin Texas, via Ancestry.com.

Married to **Evalyn B. Row Cours**, b. 1919, d. 1989. Both are buried at Rosewood Funeral Home and Cemetery in Houston.

(c) **Chester R. Cours**, b. February 28, 1918, d. September 12, 1980.³

- vi. **Gaston (aka Gustav or Gus) Cours** A native of France, b. July 22, 1869, d. February 16, 1949 due to heart failure. Buried at Brookside Cemetery, Houston.⁴ Purchased a trapezoidal 0.11-acre parcel in the cemetery in 1898 and immediately sold a 400-square-foot portion of that to his mother, Margaretta Adelaide Boulanger Cours.⁵ Employed as a blacksmith, T. & N.O. RR, per 1905 City Directory; blacksmith, S. P. RR, 1911 City Directory. Noted as a night watchman for Silwell Supplies in the 1940 census and as a farmer on the birth certificate of daughter Clara.

Clara Dorothea Schuller

Gaston and Clara Cours had eight children:

- i. **Raymond Gaston Cours** b. July 3, 1889; d. Aug 9, 1918 due to accidental drowning. Buried at Westcott Cemetery.⁶
- ii. **Joseph Cours**, b. April 3, 1876; d. March 25, 1934 of heart disease. Blacksmith. Buried at Westcott Cemetery. Married Allie Cours.
- iii. **Jules Edward Cours**, b. February 3, 1903, d. January 24, 1975 in Seabrook, Texas. Buried in Forest Park Cemetery in Houston. ⁷

Married **Alma Louise Maes**, b. 1906, d. 1996.

(a) **Raymond Edward Cours**, b. 1923, d. 2006.

Married **Ella Idell Caveness**,⁸ b. 1923, d. 2011.

- iv. **Ernest W. Cours**, b. 1906, d. 1972. Buried in Brookside Cemetery, Houston.

Married **Della Albertha Dardar**, b. 1909, d. 1967.

- v. **George Cours**, b. 1908, d. 1987.

³ "Chester R. Cours," Texas death certificate #71630, Texas Department of State Health Services, Austin Texas, via Ancestry.com.

⁴ "Gaston Cours," Texas death certificate #6971, Texas Department of State Health Services, Austin Texas, via Ancestry.com.

⁵ Harris County deed records, Vol. 104, pages 383–384, file numbers 17705–17706.

⁶ "Raymond Gaston Cours," Texas death certificate #31702, Texas Department of State Health Services, Austin Texas, via Ancestry.com.

⁷ Jules Edward Cours, memorial. <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/24209897>

⁸ Marriage certificate February 8, 1994. Harris County Clerk's office, book 358, 251-40-0444

vi. **Victor Cours**, b. 1912, d. 1986. Buried at Seaside Memorial Park in Corpus Christi.

Married **Velma Ruth Freshour**.

(b) **Barbara J. Cours**, b. 1936.⁹ Per the 1940 census, lived in Corpus Christi.

vii. **Lillian A. Cours Pettigrew**, b. 1915, d. 1997.

Married **Willoughby G. Pettigrew**, b. 1914, d. 2001.

viii. **Clara Dorothea Cours Uhl**, b. 1917, d. 2015.¹⁰

Married **William Cris Uhl**.¹¹ Per Clara Uhl's 2015 obituary, the couple had two children:

(a) **W.K. "Billy" Uhl**, married **Bette Uhl**

1. **Matt and Amanda Uhl**

2. **Clint and Ashley Uhl**

a. Clara Uhl's obituary notes that she was survived by great-grandchildren **Payton, Rylie, and Kinsley Uhl**; does not note their parents

(b) **Judy Stockton**

1. **Michael and Krissy Stockton**

2. **David and Jennifer Stockton**

a. Clara Uhl's obituary notes that she was survived by great-grandchildren **Cole, Jake, Wesley, Kate, Will, Sam, Spencer, and Andrew Stockton**; does not note their parents

⁹ "Barbara Jeanette Cours," Texas birth index, Bureau of Vital Statistics, 1936 births, page 389, via Ancestry.com.

¹⁰ "Clara Dorothea Uhl," Obituary, Brookside Funeral Home, September 20, 2015, <https://www.legacy.com/amp/obituaries/dignitymemorial/175886598>.

¹¹ Marriage certificate #56620, April 25, 1941. Harris County Clerk's office, book 91, page 536

vii. **Jennie (Jeanne) Amelia Cours Westcott**, b. 1878, d. 1960¹²

Married **James Denmar Westcott** in 1901¹³ and the two had five children:

(c) **Blanche Westcott**, b. circa 1902, d. 1969. Married **Albert Salee**, b. 1898, d. 1968.

(d) **Joseph Denmar Westcott**, b. 1904, d. 1920.

(e) **Franklin August Westcott**, b. 1907, d. 1977 in Shepherd, TX.¹⁴
Married **Lottie F. Westcott**. Franklin's obituary in 1977 notes that the Franklin Westcott lived in Cleveland, TX, and was survived by two sons, "four grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews"¹⁵

1. **Jerry Denmar Westcott**. Franklin's obituary indicates he lived in Channelview as of 1977.

2. **Joseph Carol Westcott**. Franklin's obituary indicates he lived in Houston as of 1977.

(f) **Claude Westcott**, b. 1909, d. 1988.

(g) **Richard Westcott**, b. 1913, d. 2003.
Married **Cody Simmons**.

1. **Eugene Richard Westcott**, b. 1938, d. 2002.

¹² "Jennie A. Westcott," Texas death certificate #67246, Texas Department of State Health Services, Austin Texas, via Ancestry.com.

¹³ "Jennie A. Westcott," Texas marriage certificate #7221, Texas Department of State Health Services, Austin Texas, via Ancestry.com.

¹⁴ "Franklin August Westcott," Texas death certificate #45676, Texas Department of State Health Services, Austin Texas, via Ancestry.com.

¹⁵ "Franklin Westcott," obituary, *The Liberty Vindicator*, April 21, 1977, p. 15, via Ancestry.com.