

More information on biological relatives of Kathleen Steil and Murray Coleman

Murray Coleman's father, **Arthur Roy Coleman**, known as Roy, was married to Myrtle Fitzgerald in Canada in 1905. She died two years later. He married Florence Curtiss Knapp in Canada in 1909. They had two children, Dodd in 1911 and Ruth in 1909. Oral history said that Florence died, but court records show that Roy filed for divorce in 1916, a few months before he married Margaret Paterson. After Roy and Florence separated, Dodd went to live with Roy's sister Addie and Ruth was adopted by Roy's sister Jenny. Roy and Margaret met at the Ford Motor Company plant in Highland Park, Michigan. Once married, they had three children: Jean, Betty, Murray Jean. Jean died in a car accident at the age of seven in 1923. Roy died at home just after New Years Day in 1932 with his daughter Betty at his side. Roy is buried at Woodlawn Cemetery in Detroit.

Roy Coleman's parents, **Sarah Westfall and Calvert Malcolm Coleman**, had eight children. Roy was the youngest. Calvert suffered from alcoholism. Sarah left Calvert when Roy was about six years old. The Census reported that on June 1, 1900, Sarah Coleman lived at 888 Greenwood Street in Detroit where she was the head of household (with two sons, William Coleman and Roy Coleman, listed as living with her).

Murray Coleman's mother, **Margaret Paterson**, had three sisters: Agnes Jane (born on March 11, 1883), Isabella Mary (born November 1, 1885), and Mabel (born November 5, 1888). Agnes and Bell never had children. Margaret was born on November 22, 1890. Agnes is buried at Woodlawn Cemetery in Detroit.

Margaret Paterson's parents, **John Creighton Paterson and Fanny Hope**, were born in Scotland. John was born on October 4, 1857, in Niebie Barnes, Scotland. He died on February 23, 1932 in Chatham, Canada. Fanny Hope was born in Gretna Green, Scotland on November 5, 1855. She died in Chatham, Canada, on October 18, 1944. John and Fanny had been married in Harwith Township, Canada.

Kathleen Steil's father, **Frank W. Steil**, had three brothers and four sisters: George, William, Walter, Alice, Marie, Florence, and Anna. His father, George, immigrated to Detroit from Germany in the mid-1880s. George was a carpenter.

Kathleen Steil's mother, **Catherine Lucaschewski**, had three brothers and three sisters: Frank, Phil, George, Lucy, Helen, and Teresa. Her father, Rudolph, immigrated to Detroit from Poland in the mid-1880s. Rudolph was a laborer.

(Note: Some of this information was gather in December 2001 by Tom Coleman during interviews with Kay Coleman and Betty Basler. Other information, such as Roy's first marriage ending in the death of his wife and his second marriage ending in separation, were obtained from public records found in various online archives.)