# UCF Veterans Legacy Program



# **Catherine Louise Hayes**

1922 - 2008

Women's Army Corps

Corporal: United States Army Air Forces\*

World War II

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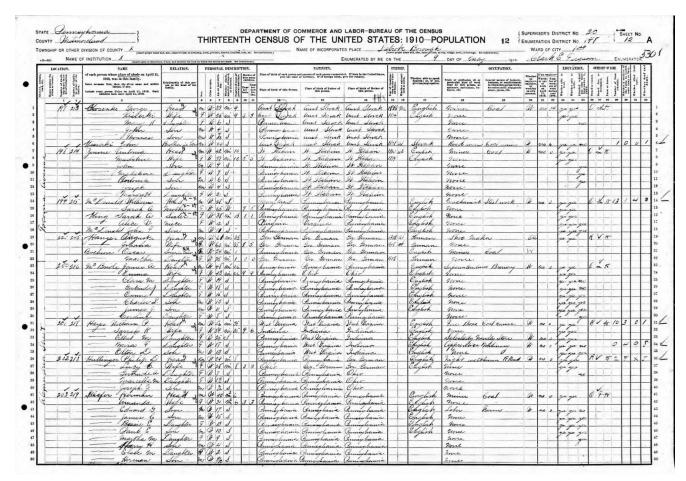
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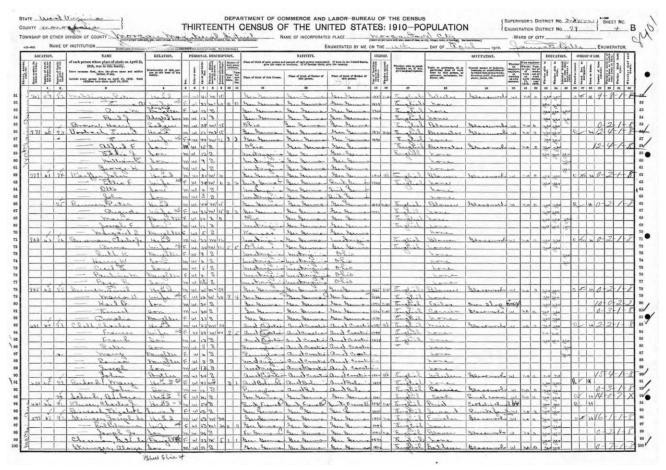
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#### Catherine's Father in the 1910 United States Census

"1910 United States Federal Census," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Elton D Hayes, Westmoreland, Pennsylvania.

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**Catherine's Mother in the 1910 United State Census** 

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#### Catherine's Mother in a 1918 Morgantown City Directory

"U.S., City Directories, 1822-1995," database, Ancestry (ancestry.com: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Anna Mehlinger, Morgantown, West Virginia.

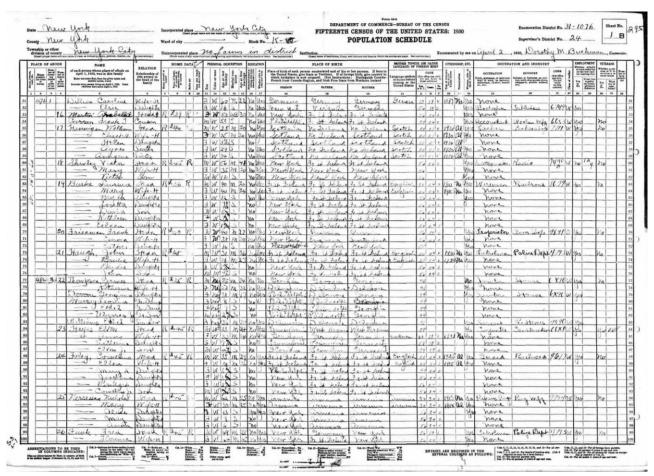
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Name	Anna Marie Mehlinger					
Gender	Female					
Spouse's Name	Elton D Hayes					
Spouse Gender	Male					
Marriage Date	1921					
Marriage Place	Monongalia, West Virginia, United States					

# **Marriage of Catherine's Parents**

"West Virginia, U.S., Marriages Index, 1785-1971," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Anna Marie Mehlinger, Monongalia, West Virginia.

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**1930 United States Census** 

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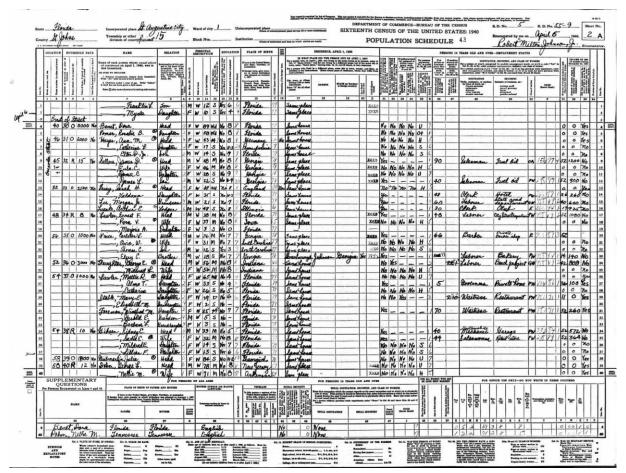
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1935 Florida State Census

"Florida, U.S., State Census, 1867-1945," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Catherine Hayes, St. Johns, Florida.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/2356132:1506



**1940 United States Census** 

"1940 United States Federal Census," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Catherine L Hayes, St. Augustine, Florida.

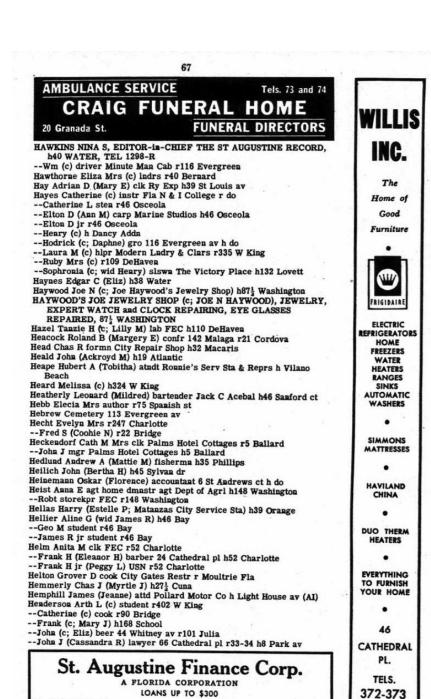
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Full Name	Catherine L Hayes
Army Serial Number	A-411284
Enlistment Place	Jacksonville Florida
Enlistment Date	12 May 1944
Army Branch	Women's Army Corps
Service Branch	Army
Race or Ethnicity	White
Residence	St.Johns County, Florida
Enlistment Term	Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law
Source of Army Personnel	Civil Life
Army Component	Women's Army Corps
Level of Education	4 years of high school
Occupation	Secretaries
Marital Status	Single, without dependents
Birth Date	1922
Birth Place	Pennsylvania
Source Box Number	0009
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Conflict Period	World War II
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# **World War II Enlistment Record**

"US, WWII Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946," database, *Fold3* (fold3.com: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Catherine L Hayes, Army Serial Number A-411284.

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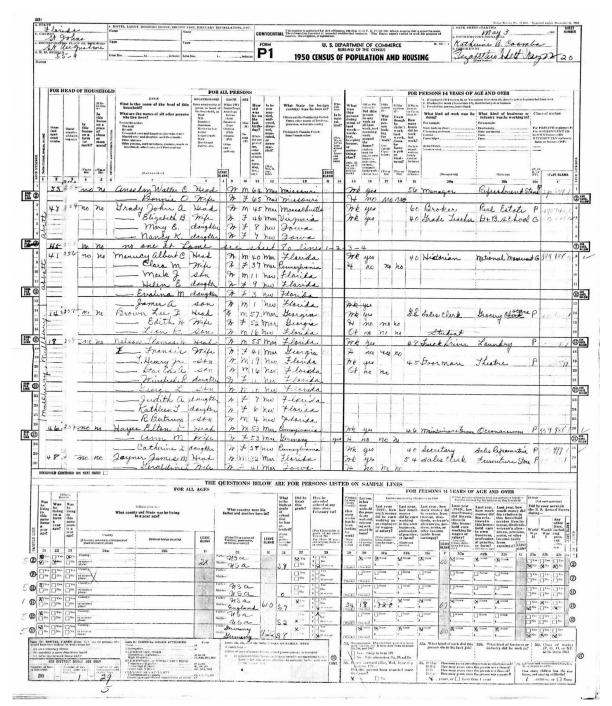
## 1949 St. Augustine City Directory

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"U.S., City Directories, 1822-1995," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Elton D Hayes, St. Augustine, Florida.

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**1950 United States Census** 

"1950 United States Federal Census," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Catherine L Hayes, St. Augustine, Florida.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/81373029:62308

#### **Catherine Hayes Obituary**

"Catherine Hayes Obituary," *Legacy*, accessed October 10, 2023, <a href="https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/staugustine/name/catherine-hayes-obituary?id=23606550">https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/staugustine/name/catherine-hayes-obituary?id=23606550</a>.

#### Transcription:

"Catherine Louise "Kay" Hayes, 1922-2008. "Kay" was born in Pennsylvania, then in 1924 moved with her family to St. Augustine. Her father's employer had the contract to build the Bridge of Lions. Upon its completion in 1927, they returned to New York City but have made their home here since 1930. Catherine graduated from Ketterlinus High School in 1940 and worked locally for the Model Land Company until entering the WAACs in the spring of 1944. She was assigned to the air transport command and trained as a flight logistics specialist. This required frequent flights from Hamilton Field, Calif. to Hickam Field, Hawaii. They transported military personnel and materials on their way to the Pacific Theater. Six months following VJ day, Victor Over Japan Day, she received her honorable discharge and returned to St. Augustine. Following a stint of employment in New York City, she joined the Foreign Service of the U.S. Department of State in 1957. As an executive secretary she served in the embassies in Quito, Ecuador, Mexico City, Mexico, San Jose, Costa Rica, and the U.S. Mission to European Union, Luxemburg. She retired from government service in 1975. Kay has called Vicar's Landing her home since 1989. She passed away there at 10:30 p.m. Sept. 8. She is survived by a brother, Elton and wife, Mary Louise; nephews, Bill Hayes and wife, Jeri (California), Paul and his wife, Bridget (California); nieces, Anne DeWitt (California), Colleen McIntosh and husband, Robb (California), Teresa Balooshi (Arizona). She also leaves 13 great-nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held at a later date."

Full Name	Hayes, Catherine L
Birth Date	28 May 1922
Death Date	8 Sep 2008
Cemetery	Saint Augustine National Cemetery
Cemetery Address	104 Marine Street
Cemetery City	St Augustine
Cemetery State	Florida
Cemetery Section	A
Cemetery Plot	24-a
Branch	US Army Air Forces
Rank	CPL
Conflict	World War II
Served for	United States of America

# **Catherine Hayes Veterans Gravesite**

"US, Veterans' Gravesites, ca.1775-2019," database, *Fold3* (fold3.com: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Catherine L Hayes, Saint Augustine National Cemetery.

https://www.fold3.com/record/716340061/hayes-catherine-l-us-veterans-gravesites-ca1775-2019



**Catherine Hayes's Headstone in St. Augustine National Cemetery** 

UCF Veterans Legacy Program, *Headstone for Catherine Hayes*, photograph, 2023, St. Augustine National Cemetery, St. Augustine, FL.

The following sources cover the military service of Catherine's father (Elton Hayes).

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**Elton Donald Hayes Military Service** 

"United States, Veterans Administration Master Index, 1917-1940," database, *FamilySearch* (familysearch.org: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Elton Donald Hayes, Morgantown, West Virginia.

https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QRZ2-BCZM

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## **Elton Hayes World War I Service Card**

"Pennsylvania, U.S., World War I Veterans Service and Compensation Files, 1917-1919, 1934-1948," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Elton D Hayes, Boliver, Westmoreland, Pennsylvania.

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COUN	TTY OF WASHINGTON
being	duly sworn, deposes and says: I am the veteran named in the following descriptive information; I served in the military
make	val forces of the United States from Dec. 9, 1917 to Jan. 31, 1919; I claim veteran's compensation thorized by Act No. 53, approved January 5, 1934; I was a resident of Pennsylvania at time of entry into service; I this claim with full knowledge of the penalty for making a false statement relative to a material fact concerning this and the answers to the following questions and descriptive information are true:
(2)	HAVES ELTOND. 1088151 WHITE- (Latt name) (First and middle name) (Serial number) (White or colored)
(3)	Legal residence at entry into service MILLEY St. LAtrobe West More Land Co. MA
(4)	Present residence: 963 Heslep Ave. DoNoRA, WASHING tow Co, Pa- (Street and number, City, County and State)
(5)	Enlisted, commissioned or industed in RA; ANO; NA; NG; ERC; Navy; NRF; MC; ORC; Pa. Vols; US Vols: at Pitts Burgh, Pa. (Columbus Brks.) on Dec. 8, 1917
(6)	On active duty in Navy or in Reserve from NoNe to
(7)	Place and date of birth CALIZORNIA, PA. MAY-23, 1897-
(8)	Names and addresses of dependents: Wife (full name) ANN MARIE MEHLINGER HAVES -
	Minor children ELTON D. Jr. (8). CAtHeriNeLouise (11).
	Mother (full name) SAYA MANN HAVES.
	Father WILLIAM P. HAVES.
(9)	Service in organizations, at stations or on vessels in the order named as follows:
	Flying School Detachment U.S. Army from Dec. 8, 1917 to JAN 31, 1919.
	from to
(10)	Grades or ratings with dates of appointments or promotions: Sers. Oct. 14-18. Sers 1st Cl. Dec. 1, 18.
(11)	Engagements:
(12)	Wounds or other injuries received with dates: NONE
(13)	Served overseas from / to
(14)	Honorably discharged on JAN 31, 1919. at SOUTHER FIELD. GA.
(15)	Did you ever apply for or receive a bonus or veteran's compensation from any other State?
(16)	Did you ever refuse on conscientious, political or other grounds to perform full military duty or to render unqualified
(10)	service?
Subsc	ribed and sworn to before me this 15 day
of	Fly O1934. (18) Ellow A. Hayer.
(17)	(Signature of Applicant)
(11)	(Signature and seal of officer administering oath)
	GLENN BAKER, Notaring Tricate of IDENTIFICATION
	(Date)
(19)	I, do hereby certify that I am (Title of office
and pos	istion) Tublic; that Gelton & Hayes applying for Veteran'
Compe	ensation is known to me to be the applicant named in the application; thathe is mentally competent; that the signa of the affidavit is the signature of the applicant.
Signa	ture and impression
of sea	al or stamp indicat- mee or position held.
	instructions (19) before signing. (Signature of person identifying applicant)
Read	Months at \$10.00 per month; Total \$/4000
20	Computed by S. S. Wike All Reviewed by Colhinta
(3)	
60	Checked and approved by  For The Adjutant General.
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"Pennsylvania, U.S., World War I Veterans Service and Compensation Files, 1917-1919, 1934-1948," database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Elton D Hayes, Donora, Washington Co, Pennsylvania.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/400920:60884

Full Name	Hayes, Elton D
	23 Mar 1897
Military Enlistment Date	8 Dec 1917
Military Discharge Date	31 Jan 1919
Death Date	1 Feb 1986
Burial Date	6 Feb 1986
Cemetery	Saint Augustine National Cemetery
Cemetery Address	104 Marine Street St Augustine, Fl 32084
Cemetery State	Florida
Cemetery Plot	Section a Site 24-a
Notes	Sfc US Army World War I
Conflict Period	World War I
Served for	United States of America

## **Elton Hayes Veterans Gravesite**

"US, Veterans' Gravesites, ca.1775-2019," database, *Fold3* (fold3.com: accessed October 10, 2023), entry for Elton D Hayes, Saint Augustine National Cemetery.

https://www.fold3.com/record/709511999/hayes-elton-d-us-veterans-gravesites-ca1775-2019