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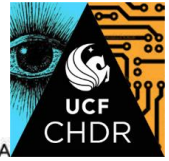
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Leona Kathryn Perry

1921 – 2011

Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC)

Private First Class: US Army Air Forces (USAAF)

World War II

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Table with columns: PLACE OF ABODE, NAME, RELATION, HOME DATA, PERSONAL DESCRIPTION, EDUCATION, PLACE OF BIRTH, MOTHER TONGUE, CITIZENSHIP, OCCUPATION AND INDUSTRY, EMPLOYMENT, VETERANS. Includes handwritten entries for families such as Marotta, Gylamann, Terry, Coussey, Macie, Thomas, and Hunt.

ABBREVIATIONS TO BE USED IN COLUMNS INDICATED... ENTRIES ARE REQUIRED IN THE SEVERAL COLUMNS AS FOLLOWS: CA-1, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50.

1930 United States Federal Census

"1930 United States Federal Census," database, Ancestry (ancestry.com: accessed September 3, 2023), entry for Leona Perry, Rutland, Vermont.

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/10108565:6224

Leona K Perry

WWII Army Enlistment Records

Info

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Full Name	Leona K Perry
Army Serial Number	A-110106
Enlistment Place	Rutland Vermont
Enlistment Date	12 Mar 1943
Army Branch	Women's Army Corps
Service Branch	Army
Race or Ethnicity	White
Residence	Rutland County, Vermont
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	3 years of high school
Occupation	Cooks, domestic
Marital Status	Single, without dependents
Birth Date	1921
Birth Place	Vermont
Source Box Number	0001
Source Film Reel Number	1.1
Conflict Period	World War II
Served for	United States of America

World War II Army Enlistment Record

“WWII Army Enlistment Records,” database, *Fold3* (fold3.com: accessed September 3, 2023), entry for Leona K Perry, Rutland, Vermont.

<https://www.fold3.com/record/83004427/leona-k-perry-wwii-army-enlistment-records>

Leona Perry Leaves for Training

“State News,” *Bennington Evening Banner*, March 25, 1943, 11.

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/546453117/>

This article states that Leona is one of six Vermont women headed to Daytona Beach, FL for training as WAACs.

Leona Perry Will Work in the Station Hospital

“Ten New WAACs Will Work in Hospital,” *Sun Herald* (Biloxi, MS), July 31, 1943, 11.

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/742007098/>

Article Transcription:

“Ten newly-arrived Waacs on Gulfport Field have been assigned to the Station Hospital, where they will be mess attendants in chow halls, the hospital mess officer said. The Waacs are Auxiliaries Catherine O'Brien, Anna C. Pastuck, Geraldine M. Phelps, Leona K. Perry, Lucy A. Pietrogallo, Eleanor M. Podeszwa, Lydia A. Rankin, Anna Rinkovsky, Manila G. Rupert and Lillie Wilbanks.”

Leona Perry Works with the Army Air Forces

“Pvt. Leona Perry, Poultney, In Training With Air-WAC,” *Rutland Daily Herald*, December 4, 1943, 9.

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/533599280/>

Article Transcription:

“Gulfport Field, Miss., Dec. 3. – Pvt. Leona K. Perry of Poultney, Vt., is among the rapidly expanding group of skilled Air-WACS playing a prominent role in daily operations at this large airplane mechanics school and basic training center of the Army Air Forces Eastern Technical Training command.

Among one of the first groups of Air-WACS, as they are better known in the air corps, to “take over” here during the summer, she has been on duty with the station hospital detachment, one of the many units in which members of the Women’s Army corps have assumed essential work formerly carried out by soldiers.

Enlisting at Rutland last March, Pvt. Perry underwent basic training at Daytona Beach, Fla., later attending the Army cooks and bakers school at that station. And while experiencing Army life to the fullest extent, she has much in common for the present and post-war period with her brothers, Pvt. Joseph Perry, attached to a Field Artillery unit in Colorado, and Pvt. Leo McNamara with the Army Air corps at Miami Beach, Fla. The Gulfport Air-WAC is a graduate of Poultney High school.”

MARRIAGE—BRIDE

PC

Name of Bride LEONA KATHRYN PERRY

Name of Groom Carl Snow

Residence of Bride Poultney Color white

Date blood test was done 5/10/48

Date of Marriage May 22 1948

Occupation M. Operator No. of Marriage first ~~Widowed~~
~~Divorced~~

Place of Birth Rutland Age in Years 25

Father's Name George Perry Birthplace USA

Mother's Name Edith (?) Birthplace USA

Place of Marriage Poultney

Denomination of Clergyman Catholic

Title if other than Clergyman _____

Town Poultney Certified copy Paul G. Snow Town Clerk

PH-15-10M-1-46

Certificate of Marriage to Carl Snow

“Vermont, U.S., Marriage Records, 1909-2008,” database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com: accessed September 3, 2023), entry for Leona Kathryn Perry, Poultney, Rutland, Vermont.

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/152347:1606>

1950 CENSUS OF POPULATION AND HOUSING

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

CONFIDENTIAL

1950

FOR HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

FOR ALL PERSONS

FOR PERSONS 14 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER

NAME: SNOW, Leona
RELATIONSHIP: Wife
AGE: 65
SEX: Female
MARRIAGE: Married
BIRTHPLACE: Vermont
OCCUPATION: Farmer

NAME: SNOW, Carl, Jr.
RELATIONSHIP: Head
AGE: 26
SEX: Male
MARRIAGE: Married
BIRTHPLACE: Vermont
OCCUPATION: Farmer

NAME: LEONARD, John
RELATIONSHIP: Son
AGE: 28
SEX: Male
MARRIAGE: Single
BIRTHPLACE: New York
OCCUPATION: Truck Driver

NAME: CARLSON, John
RELATIONSHIP: Son-in-law
AGE: 19
SEX: Male
MARRIAGE: Married
BIRTHPLACE: New York
OCCUPATION: Roofer

NAME: GOSSELIN, Wilfred
RELATIONSHIP: Son-in-law
AGE: 24
SEX: Male
MARRIAGE: Married
BIRTHPLACE: New York
OCCUPATION: Roofer

NAME: THERESA J. KRAMIS
RELATIONSHIP: Daughter-in-law
AGE: 33
SEX: Female
MARRIAGE: Married
BIRTHPLACE: New York
OCCUPATION: Mechanic

NAME: VERONIC, MAURICE
RELATIONSHIP: Son-in-law
AGE: 44
SEX: Male
MARRIAGE: Married
BIRTHPLACE: New York
OCCUPATION: Tugboat

NAME: GEORGIE, Rufus
RELATIONSHIP: Son-in-law
AGE: 57
SEX: Male
MARRIAGE: Married
BIRTHPLACE: New York
OCCUPATION: Railroad

NAME: WINTERS, Charles
RELATIONSHIP: Son-in-law
AGE: 50
SEX: Male
MARRIAGE: Married
BIRTHPLACE: New York
OCCUPATION: Stationary Fireman

NAME: HANNA
RELATIONSHIP: Daughter-in-law
AGE: 46
SEX: Female
MARRIAGE: Married
BIRTHPLACE: New York
OCCUPATION: Silk Mill

HOUSEHOLD CONTINUED ON NEXT SHEET (2)

Name: RIMA and W.D. FARMER RD
Right hand side of road near RR station, Franklin Township, New York

THE QUESTIONS BELOW ARE FOR PERSONS LISTED ON SAMPLE LINES

FOR ALL AGES

FOR PERSONS 14 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER

What country were the father and mother born in?

What kind of business or industry did he work for?

How much money did he receive from this business or industry?

Did he ever receive in the U.S. Armed Forces?

What kind of work did he do?

How many children has the person ever had?

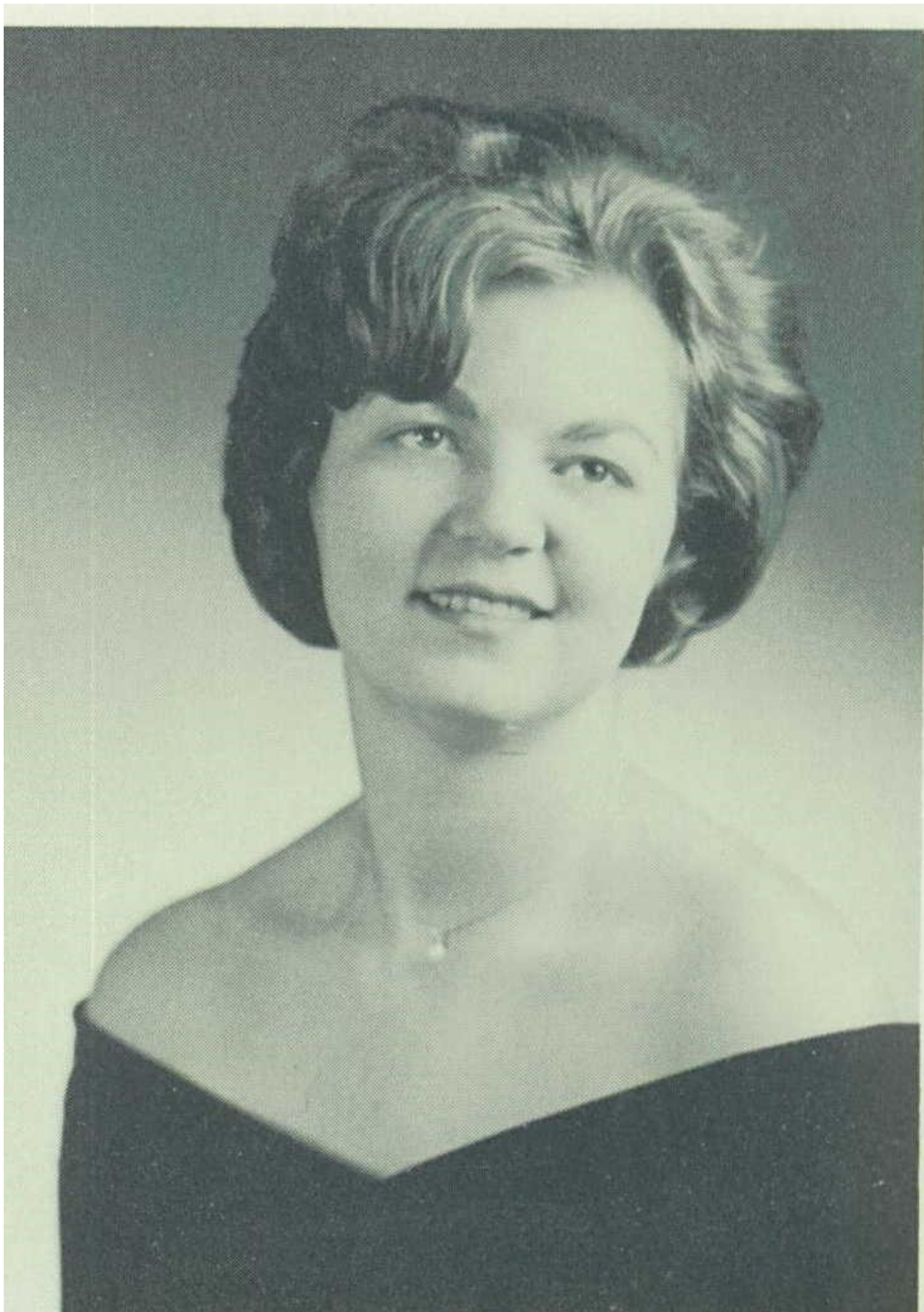
How many children has the person ever had who are now living?

How many children has the person ever had who are now living who are under 18 years of age?

1950 United States Federal Census

"1950 United States Federal Census," database, Ancestry (ancestry.com: accessed September 3, 2023), entry for Leona Snow, Whitehall, Washington, New York.

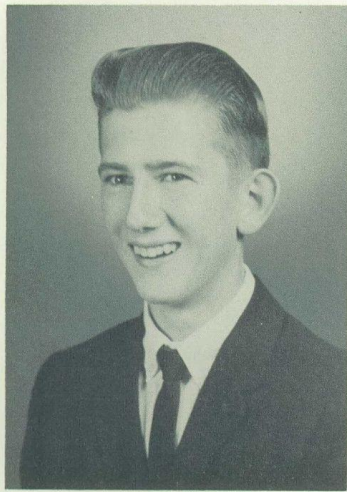
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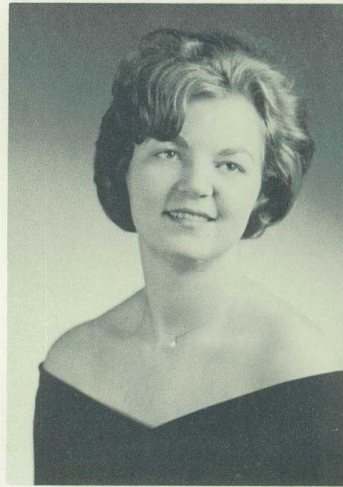
Leona's Daughter in the 1965 Randolph High School Yearbook

“U.S., School Yearbooks, 1900-2016,” database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com, accessed September 3, 2023), entry for Linda Ann Snow, Randolph, New York.

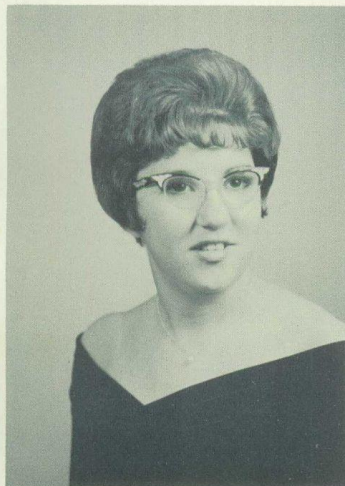
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Jay L. Smith
"Jay"

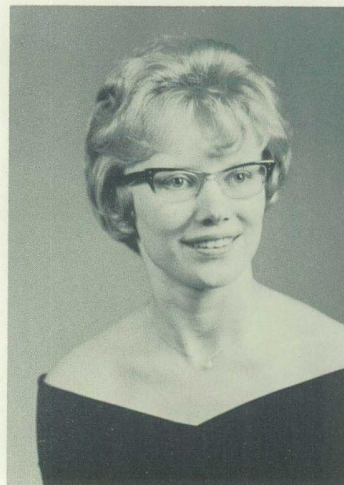


Linda Ann Snow
"Linny"



Terry Lee Spence
"Terry"

thirty-six



Laura Mary Strickland
"Laurie"

Leona's Daughter in the 1965 Randolph High School Yearbook (Full Page)

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VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
RECORD OF
DIVORCE OR ANNULMENT

00429

PC
C106-72Pd.

LOCAL FILE NUMBER		STATE FILE NUMBER	
HUSBAND			
1 HUSBAND - NAME FIRST MIDDLE LAST Carl W. Snow, Jr.		2 DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) 8/13/24 48	
3 STATE OF BIRTH (IF NOT IN U.S.A., NAME, COUNTRY) Vermont	4a RESIDENCE - STATE Vermont	4b COUNTY Rutland	4c CITY, TOWN Poultney
5 RACE - HUSBAND white	6 NUMBER OF THIS MARRIAGE 1st	7 IF PREVIOUSLY MARRIED HOW MANY ENDED BY: DEATH (SPECIFY # NONE) DIVORCE OR ANNULMENT NONE	8 EDUCATION - SPECIFY HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED ELEMENTARY (1, 2, 3, 4 OR 5) 8 HIGH SCHOOL (1, 2, 3 OR 4) 3 COLLEGE (1, 2, 3, 4 OR 5+) -
WIFE			
9 WIFE - MAIDEN NAME FIRST MIDDLE LAST Leona Kathryn Perry		10 DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) 9/4/23 49	
11 STATE OF BIRTH (IF NOT IN U.S.A., NAME, COUNTRY) Rutland	12a RESIDENCE - STATE Vermont	12b COUNTY Rutland	12c CITY, TOWN Rutland
13 RACE - WIFE white	14 NUMBER OF THIS MARRIAGE 1st	15 IF PREVIOUSLY MARRIED HOW MANY ENDED BY: DEATH (SPECIFY # NONE) DIVORCE OR ANNULMENT NONE	16 EDUCATION - SPECIFY HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED ELEMENTARY (1, 2, 3, 4 OR 5) 8 HIGH SCHOOL (1, 2, 3 OR 4) 4 COLLEGE (1, 2, 3, 4 OR 5+) -
MARRIAGE			
17a PLACE OF THIS MARRIAGE - COUNTY Rutland	17b STATE (IF NOT IN U.S.A., NAME, COUNTRY) Vermont	17c DATE OF THIS MARRIAGE (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) 5/22/48 24	18 APPROXIMATE DATE COURSE SEPARATED (MONTH, YEAR) March 1972 10
19a RESIDENCE AT TIME OF LAST SEPARATION - STATE R Vermont	19b CITY, TOWN Poultney	20 LIVING CHILDREN - TOTAL NUMBER 3	21 UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE 0
22 PLAINTIFF (HUSBAND, WIFE, OTHER (SPECIFY)) wife	23a ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF - NAME John J. Welch, Jr.	23b ADDRESS (STREET OR R.F.D. NO., CITY OR TOWN, STATE, ZIP) 118 Merchants Row Rutland, Vermont 05701	
24a ATTORNEY FOR DEFENSE - NAME Parisi & DeBonis,	24b ADDRESS (STREET OR R.F.D. NO., CITY OR TOWN, STATE, ZIP) Castleton or Poultney, Vermont.		
DECREE			
25a I CERTIFY THAT THE MARRIAGE OF THE ABOVE NAMED PERSONS WAS DISSOLVED ON MONTH DAY YEAR Jan. 25, 1973.	25b TYPE OF DECREE - (SPECIFY) Absolute	25c DECREE GRANTED TO (SPECIFY) wife	
26a LEGAL GROUNDS FOR DECREE (SPECIFY) Living sep. & apart for six months	26b COUNTY OF DECREE Rutland,	26c DATE DECREE WAS ISSUED (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) Dec. 1, 1972.	
27a COURT OFFICIAL - SIGNATURE Roger C. Jackson	27b TITLE OF COURT OFFICIAL Rutland County Clerk	27c COURT - NAME Rutland County Court	

ORIGINAL RECORD TO BE SENT TO DEPT. HEALTH WHEN DIVORCE BECOMES ABSOLUTE

Divorce From Carl Snow

“Vermont, U.S., Divorce Index, 1925-2003,” database, *Ancestry* (ancestry.com, accessed September 3, 2023), entry for Leona Kathryn Snow, Rutland, Vermont.

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/900137906:8954>

Obituary for Leona

“Leona K. Snow,” *Rutland Daily Herald*, April 8, 2011, B2.

<https://www.newspapers.com/image/534838980/>

Article Transcription:

“Daytona Beach, Fla. – Leona K. Snow, 89, went home to be with the Lord April 1, 2011.

She grew up in Poultney, Vt., and moved to Daytona Beach, Fla., in 1998.

She was a member of the Women’s Army Corps during WWII. Her basic training was in Daytona Beach. From there, she was stationed in Gulf Port (Miss.) Army Hospital as a dietician.

Leona worked at Rutland (Vt.) Regional Medical Center as a nurse’s aide for 18 years. She loved to cook, paint pictures, do crosswords and read her Bible.

She was a faithful member of Crossroads Baptist Church and attended Young at Heart, Anita Smith’s Bible Study and Saints Alive.

Surviving are her two daughters, Linda Snow of Daytona Beach and Patricia (Rick) Stanton of Ormond Beach; her son, John (Mary) of Tinmouth, Vt.; four grandchildren, Leann Snow, Shane (Allison) Stanton, Marianne (Stephane) Goulet and Mike (Becky) Snow; six great-grandsons, Gavin and Evin Stanton, Nicolas and Gabriel Goulet and Anakin and Ronan Snow; her sister, Evelyn Huntington of Corinth, Vt.; several nieces and nephews...”

Perry, Leona K

U.S. Veterans' Gravesites, ca.1775-2019

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Full Name Perry, Leona K

Birth Date 4 Sep 1921

Death Date 1 Apr 2011

Cemetery Cape Canaveral National Cemetery

Cemetery Address 5525 Highway 1

Cemetery City Mims

Cemetery State Florida

Cemetery Section 8

Cemetery Plot 231

Branch US Army Air Forces

Rank PFC

Conflict World War II

Served for United States of America

Leona Perry Veterans' Gravesite

“U.S. Veterans’ Gravesites, ca. 1775-2019,” database, *Fold3* (fold3.com, accessed September 3, 2023), entry for Leona K Perry, Cape Canaveral National Cemetery, Florida.

<https://www.fold3.com/record/715615854/perry-leona-k-us-veterans-gravesites-ca1775-2019>



Leona Perry's Headstone in Cape Canaveral National Cemetery

UCF Veterans Legacy Program, *Headstone for Leona Perry*, photograph, 2023, Cape Canaveral National Cemetery, Mims, FL.