

OBITUARY FOR AGNES ELLEN SIMPSON

(1919-2014)

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Ellen Simpson (as she was called) was born to Robert Ingersoll Simpson and his wife Elizabeth Adele Moses on 4 June 1919 in Ten Sleep, WY. She was named after her great-great grandmother Agnes (Nancy) Stewart and was referred to as Ellen all of her life. She was the sixth child of the Simpson family of nine—6 sisters and two brothers: Pearl, Paul, Grace, Nina, Gladys, Marion, Delbert Neil and Bernadine. She was a remarkably pretty person with fair complexion and blonde hair; small and well proportioned. She married Edwin Augustus Hinckley 24 July 1940. The couple moved to the Great Lakes area (Minnesota?) and were there several years. She had four children by Edwin: Dennis, Patricia (Trish), Lynn, and Elizabeth. They lived in California as well. In 1957 she married Archie Zelmar in San Diego, CA.; the couple were later divorced. She spent the rest of her life alone and passed away in San Diego, CA on 29 Apr 2014 (age 95). She was preceded in death by her parents, Pearl, Paul, Grace, Nina, Gladys, Marion, and Neil. Her sister, Bernadine Simpson Leafdale, currently (2020) resides in Casper, WY.

Commentary: I was ten years younger than Ellen and didn't know her well , but she had a stormy marriage with Edwin Hinckley and came back to Ten Sleep for a short time to stay with Bert (her father) and her siblings. I was impressed with her angelic appearance and her eagerness to take good care of her younger brother and sisters. Faye Bell