

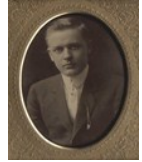
Individual Report for Ralph Martin Appel Sr.

Individual Summary: **Ralph Martin Appel Sr.**

Sex: Male

Father: Axel Appel

Mother: Lourine Christine Kofoed



Individual Facts:

Birth: 06 Nov 1887 in Fish Creek, Door, Wisconsin, USA
Residence: Bet. 1904–1905 in 921 La Beaume
Residence: 1906 in 1419 Bremen Ave , St Louis Missouri
Residence: Bet. 1907–1912 in 1420 East Obear St. Louis Missouri
Occupation: Bet. 1907–1922 in Secretary Bell Oil Company
Residence: 1910 in St Louis Ward 1, St Louis (Independent City), Missouri
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Residence: Bet. 1913–1915 in 4036 Sullivan St. Louis, Mo
Residence: Bet. 1914–1935 in 3007 North Taylor St. Louis, Mo
Residence: 1920 in St Louis Ward 22, St Louis (Independent City), Missouri
Occupation: Bet. 1923–1931 in Owner Oil Company
Residence: 1930 in St Louis, St Louis (Independent City), Missouri
Residence: 1930 in St Louis, St Louis (Independent City), Missouri
Occupation: Bet. 1932–1945 in Salesman
Cause Of Death: 03 Oct 1949 in St Louis Ward 1, St Louis (Independent City), Missouri;
Cerebral Thrombosis
Death: 03 Oct 1949 in St. Louis (city) Missouri
Burial: 06 Oct 1949 in Memorial Park, St. Louis County Missouri
Religion: Cote Brilliant Presbyterian Church
Other: St Louis
Residence: Chicago, Illinois
Medical Condition: Death Certificate
Education: Chicago, Illinois
Residence: St. Louis (city) Missouri.
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Shared Facts: **Antoinette Wuthenow**

Marriage: 18 May 1912 in St. Louis (city) Missouri

Children: Ralph Martin Appel Jr.

Theodore Koefed Appel Sr.

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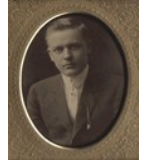
Ralph Martin Appel Sr. Was born on November 6 1887 in Fish Creek, Door County Wisconsin. He was the second son of Axel Appel and Laura Kofoed Appel. His early life was spent on the shore of Lake Michigan at the end of Appelport road where his father had a dock and a general store. In 1893 due to an illness that his mother Laura contracted the family moved to Chicago with the hopes that she could be cured by doctors there. Unfortunately she dies in 1895. The family lived at 847 West Chicago in an area now call Westtown. It is in this area that Ralph must have attended school. We know little of his life during these years. At some point, his father married his brother's widow and two cousins, Henry and Cora and their mother Emily became part of the family. Ralph first became associated with Bell Oil in Chicago and in 1903 moved to St. Louis and is listed in the city directory as driver living at 921 La Beaume through 1906. In 1907 the directory has him listed as the secretary at Bell Oil Company located at 53 Ferry Street. This company was owned by Frederick Bretsnyder, whose is

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the husband of Ralph mother Laura sister Johanna Maria Kofoed. From 1907 to 1912 he lived with the Bretsnyders at 1420 E. Obear Street in St. Louis Missouri.

On May 18 1912 Ralph married Antoinette Wuthenow, daughter of Theodore Wuthenow and Antoinette Mohrstadt Wuthenow. He courted her at Shaw Garden which was located close to her parent's home. They moved to 4036 Sullivan where they lived for about three years. While living here their sons were born, Ralph in 1913 and Theodore in 1914. In 1916 Ralph and Antoinette purchased a home at 3007 North Taylor where the family would remain until 1935.

At some point there was an explosion and Bell Oil Company, at fault, was dissolved. He continued in the oil business and is listed as the president of Motor Oil Company from 1923 - 1928. In 1930 and 31 he is listed as the president of Apple Brothers Oil Company. After 1931 he is listed as a sales person.

In 1935 due to some set back with the oil company, the Appels lost their home and moved to Green avenues and later to Jennings road. In 1940 they moved to Maffit and were located there through 1945. In 1946 they moved to Elmback in a flat in the building near where son Ralph and his wife Virginia lived. Ralph Sr. is listed as a shipping Clerk at Missouri Engraving and Printing. He lived here until he died October 3 1949. His death certificate lists the cause of death as Cerebral Thrombosis, a type of stroke. He is buried at Memorial Park in St. Louis County Missouri.

In a book titled History of the Fourth City 1763-1909 Vol. 2 By Walter B. Stevens published in 1909 there is an article on Ralph Martin Appel.

Among it's many gifted and progressive young men St. Louis can boast of none more promising than Ralph Martin Appel, whose talents and enterprising have won for him an enviable distinction in the business life of the city. He is a native of Sister Bay WI, where he was born November 6, 1887. After receiving his education, chiefly in Chicago, where he displayed remarkable industry and aptitude for study, he embarked in mercantile work and successfully accomplished every task that his duties involved. His exemplary habits and pleasing personality have always attracted attention and gained for him the esteem and confidence of his employers and acquaintances.

For a number of years Mr. Appel has been connected with the Bell Oil Co., of St. Louis, in various capacities, in all of which he has showed marked ability. He first entered the service of the company when it was located in Chicago and when the business was removed to this city he followed and by gradual advances due strictly to merit, he now occupies one of the most responsible positions in the office. Though young in years Mr. Appel is old in business experience and with the advantages such as he possesses the future holds for him the promise of fame and fortune

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Cause of Death Notes: St. Louis City Hospital #1