

LETT, MERLE EUGENE

Birth

July 20, 1910 at Breckenridge,
Caldwell Co., Missouri



Death

December 23, 1993 at Iowa
Methodist Medical Center,
Des Moines, Polk Co., IA

Cause of Death

Heart ailment

Cemetery Lot

Buried on Lot 194

Father

Ora Andrew Lett

Mother

Grace Murl Frazier

Marriage

M. Eugene Lett to Helen H. Caruthers on October 31, 1932

Return of marriage to Clerk of District Court for Polk Co., Iowa

M. Eugene Lett

Residence: Des Moines, Iowa

Age next birthday: 23

Place of birth: Breckenridge, Missouri

1st marriage

Father: Ora Lett

Mother: Grace Frazier

Married

October 31, 1932

Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa

Helen Caruthers
 Residence: Des Moines, Iowa
 Age next birthday: 19
 Place of birth: Douds, Iowa
 1st marriage
 Father: Argus Caruthers
 Mother: Hazel Cunningham
 Witnesses: Julia F. McKane and Mrs. Vera Lett

Census

1915 –

1920 – Lincoln Twp., Warren Co., Iowa; ED216; Page 7B; February 4, 1920
 Dwelling 165; Family 169

Lett, Ora	35	Farm Manager	MO	IN	MO
Grace M.	28		IA	IA	IA
Eugene	10		IA	MO	IA
Juanita	08		IA	MO	IA
Paul	02		IA	MO	IA
James	00 2/12		IA	MO	IA

1925 – S. E. Hartford Ave., Des Moines Ward 7, Polk Co., Iowa; State census
 Family 27
 Line 76

Lett, Ora A.	39		MO	MO	MO
		Father, John Lett, born in MO Mother, Emily Lucas, born in MO, age 58 John and Emily were married in Missouri			
Grace M.	33		IA	IA	IA
		Father, David Frazier, born in IA Mother, Emma Kenoyer, born in IA, age 53 David and Emma were married in Warren Co., Iowa			
Eugene M.	14		MO	MO	IA
		Father, Ora A. born in MO, age 39 Mother, Grace M. Frazier, born in IA, age 33 Ora and Grace were married in Chillicothe, MO			
Gleanetta O.	13		MO	MO	IA
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Paul W.	07		MO	MO	IA
		“ “ “			
James C.	05		MO	MO	IA
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1930 – Lee Twp., 7th ward, Des Moines, Polk Co., IA; ED 78; Page 32; April 29, 1930
 Dwelling 420; Family 423

Letts, Ora E.	46	farmer	MO	IN	MO
Grace	37		IA	IA	IA
Eugene	19		MO	MO	IA
Junita	18		MO	MO	IA
Paul	12		IA	MO	IA

1940 – Bloomfield Twp., Fort Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa; ED77-7; Page 15A; May 1, 1940
Family 323

Lett, Eugene M.	28	School Janitor	MO
Helen H.	25		IA
Helen M.	07		IA
Barbara H.	03		IA

WWII Draft Card Registration

Registration date: October 16, 1940

Merle Eugene Lett

Age: 30

Residence: Commerce, Polk Co., Iowa

Date of birth: July 20, 1910

Place of birth: Breckenridge, Missouri

Employer: Farming

Weight: 150

Complexion: Light

Color of eyes: Brown

Color of hair: Brown

Height: 5' 10"

Next of kin: Helen Hazel Lett

Funeral Home

Hamilton Southtown Funeral Home

Obituary

[The Des Moines Register, Saturday, December 25, 1993]

Eugene Lett, 83, of 721 S. E. Diehl Ave. died of a heart ailment Thursday at Iowa Methodist Medical Center. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery in Orilla.

Mr. Lett was born in Breckenridge, MO., and had lived in Des Moines most of his life. He was a retired machinist with Deere and Co. and was a member of the Indianola Heights Evangelical Free Church.

Survivors include a son, Art; four daughters, Helen Johnston, Barb Smith and Carol Christiansen, all of Des Moines, and Judy Rose of Kansas City, MO.; a brother, Paul of Des Moines; 14 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday at Southtown Funeral Home.
Memorial contributions may be made to his church.