

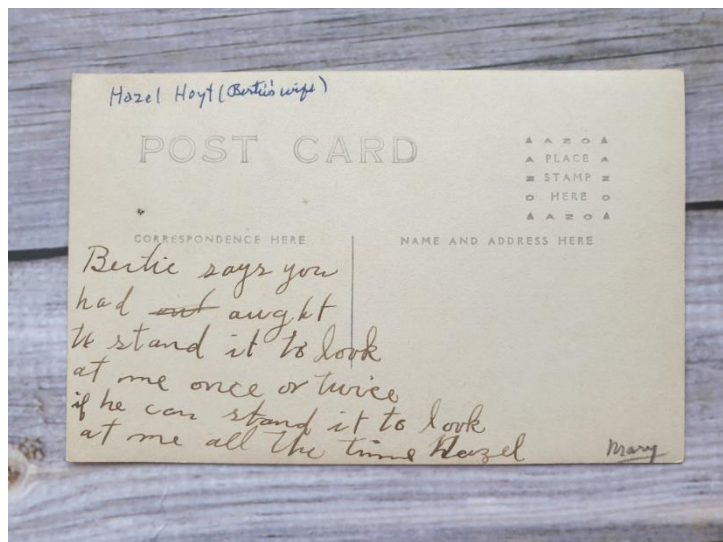
## Hazel Cline née Hoyt



I got this faded photo from the United States. It wasn't just that the photo was identified, but it was also the outfit of this lady that fascinated me – the witch-like cape and the huge hat (Happy Halloween month to everyone!:)).

Please meet "**Hazel Hoyt, Bertie's wife**".

The text on the back is hilarious and shows the wonderful sense of humour Hazel must have had, and the familiarity and intimacy she felt for her husband Bertie and for the recipient of this photo (perhaps Mary, as it says in the corner of the photo?).



*"Bertie says you had ought to stand it to look at me once or twice if he can stand it to look at me all the time. Hazel"*

Bertie was perhaps a sweet calling name for Albert. So I started digging in the records for one Hazel whose married or maiden name was Hoyt, who married one Bertie or Albert, and who must have been born in the late 1880s to early 1890s in the US.

So I wonder if this might have been our Hazel:

Hazel Myrtle Hoyt was born on July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1891, in Indianapolis, Indiana, to parents Louis (aka Lewis) Byron Hoyt (1867-1933) and Martha May née Featherling (1874-1958).



Hazel had four younger brothers Guy Hoyt (1893-1980), Clark Edward (1896-1899), Louis Henry Hoyt (1905-1985), Russell Hoyt (1912-1926), and a younger sister Mary Harvey née Hoyt (perhaps the recipient of this photo?), who lived between 1900-1976.

Father Louis was a farmer. In 1900, the family was living in Delaware Township, Hamilton, Indiana. When Hazel was just 16 years old, she married Albert Arthur Cline (1882-1942) on June 29<sup>th</sup>, 1908. According to the 1920 Census and 1930 Census, Albert was a plasterer by profession. The couple had one daughter Lucille Ivalou Cline (1910-1986). Ivalou married Joseph P. Hardin in September 1930, in Broad Ripple, Indiana, and the couple later settled down in Zionsville. Hazel became a grandmother in 1934 when Ivalou gave birth to her a grandson, Jerry Joe Hardin (1934-2014). Hazel was widowed in 1942, when Albert passed away due to pulmonary embolism. Hazel re-married in 1943. She lived together with her second husband Jesse Edmund Greene (1881-1981) until her passing in August 1979. Someone has included her obituary from The Indianapolis Star from Aug. 17, 1979, on her FindAGrave.com page, which says:

*"Mrs. Jesse (Hazel H.) Greene, 88, a lifelong Indianapolis resident, died Thursday in St. Vincent Hospital. She was a member of Crestview Christian Church, Broad Ripple Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, and the auxiliary of the Veterans of World War I, Post 131. Services will be held at 3:30 p.m. Saturday in Smith Funeral Home at Carmel, with burial in Union Chapel Cemetery. Surviving are her husband and a daughter, Mrs. Ivalou Hardin of Zionsville."*

Hazel only had one daughter Ivalou who also only had one son, Jerry Hardin. But according to Jerry's obituary from October 2014, he had four children; Terrie Keen (Rusty) of Zionsville, Steve (Traci) of Zionsville, Tracey McDonnell (Steve) of Arlington, Virginia and Doug, of Lebanon, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Perhaps this photo will one day find its way back home to one of them.



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