

HISTORIC RED HOOK

Lewis C. Moore

Born Jul 1849 Died Dec 15, 1929

Red Church Cemetery, Tivoli

Marble column shaped like a trimmed tree trunk, southwest of the church, west of the Otis iron fenced-in plot, north of the access road, northwest of Boyce mausoleum

The Moore monument stands as tall as a man, carved of limestone in the shape of a limbless tree trunk—a symbol of life cut short. First appearing in America in the middle of the nineteenth century, and popularized by the Arts and Crafts design movement of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, tree-shaped memorials can be found in many local cemeteries. Bernice Warringer Moore was 60 years old when she died. Her husband Lewis, however, lived to 80 years of age.

Lewis C. Moore was born in Columbia County, the son of John Gilbert Moore and Catherine Moore of German-town. Gilbert was a carpenter and he and Catherine could neither read nor write. They may have only had two children who lived to adulthood, Lewis and his older brother John M. Moore.

Bernice was the daughter of Frances and Letitia Warringer of Tivoli, part of a large family, some of whom removed to Connecticut, possibly to find work.

Bernice and Lewis had five children, daughters Grace H. (married Joseph Broca), Letitia (married Robert Broderick), Sophia E. (1893–1981 married Robert Minkler), and Charlotte (married John Buggee), and son Cleophus (1892–1935 married Judith Merveil). After Cleophus had only daughters, the surname Moore on this branch disappeared.

Sophia had three children with Robert whom she named for the men in her life, Lewis C., Joseph P., and Roberta L. Minkler.

Cleophus was at one time a chauffeur, and at another a tinsmith who resided in midtown Manhattan. He and wife Judith had two daughters, Charlotte and Vivian Moore. Charlotte married Phillip Bragg and Vivian never married.

Grace married French waiter Joseph Pierre Broca and the couple lived on West 20th and later on West 43rd street in Manhattan. He had come to the states in 1899 and died at 57 years of age in 1930. She died in 1957.



Letitia's husband Robert was a Supreme Court stenographer whose parents were from Ireland. They lived in Brooklyn and had six children, Grace, Edna, Agnes, Robert, Donald, and Gloria Broderick. He died suddenly at 43. Letitia survived him by a quarter century and they are both buried at Holy Cross Cemetery.

Charlotte lived with her grandmother Warringer in Connecticut for a while and married John Buggee of Massachusetts. They lived in New Haven and had two children, Bernice and John, and she sadly passed away soon after the boy's birth in 1907.

Lewis Moore worked on the railroad as many of his neighbors did, holding the occupation of lampman (someone who maintained lights for signals), brakeman, and general railroad laborer. In 1904 he was elected to the position of second assistant of Tivoli's De Peyster Hose Company. In 1915 the census tells us Lewis and Bernice lived on Spring Street.

Bernice died January 6, 1920 in Tivoli and Lewis died in Manhattan at the home of his daughter Sophia Moore Minkler on Sunday, December 15, 1929.

Research and writing by Sarah K. Hermans, 2024

Sources:

1850 Federal Census, Germantown, Columbia Co. NY - Gilbert Moore
1855 NYS State Census, Germantown, Columbia Co. NY - Gilbert Moore
1860 Federal Census, Germantown, Columbia Co. NY - John G Moore
1865 NYS State Census, Clermont, Columbia Co. NY - John G Moore
1870 Federal Census, Clermont, Columbia Co. NY - John G Moore
1880 Federal Census, Tivoli, Dutchess Co. NY - Frances Warringer
1892 NYS State Census, Red Hook, Dutchess Co. NY - Lewis C Moore
1900 Federal Census, Red Hook, Dutchess Co. NY - Lewis C Moore
1910 Federal Census, New Haven, CT - John Buggy
1910 Federal Census, NY, NY Co. NY - #264 W 20th St Joseph Brocco
1915 NYS State Census, NY, NY Co. NY - #256 W 43rd st Joseph Broca
1915 NYS State Census, NY, NY Co. NY - #224 W 16th st Cleophus Moore
1915 NYS State Census, Red Hook, Tivoli, Dutchess Co. NY - Spring St Lewis C Moore
1930 Federal Census, Brooklyn, Kings Co. NY #632 E 15th St Robert Broderick
1930 Federal Census, Manhattan, NY Co. NY - #347 W 44th Cleophus Moore
1940 Federal Census, Manhattan, NY Co. NY - Judith Moore
A Dictionary of Occupational Terms Based on the Classification of Occupations used in the Census of Population, 1921
Brooklyn Daily Times / Times Union Fri, Feb 12, 1932 ·Page 16
Connecticut, U.S., Death Records, 1897-1968
Connecticut, U.S., Marriage Records, 1897-1968
Columbia Republican, 14 Apr 1904
Columbia Republican, 6 Apr 1915
findagrave.com/memorial/94968409/lewis_c_moore
findagrave.com/memorial/94968694/bernice_e_moore
Hudson NY Evening Register, undated paper June or July, 1901
New York City, Marriage Indexes, 1907-1995 License Number 11492
New York, Death Index, 1880-1956 Certificate Number 4152
New York, New York, Index to Marriage Licenses, 1908-1910, 1938-1940
New York, New York, U.S., Birth Index, 1910-1965 Certificate Number 54134
New York, New York, U.S., Death Index, 1949-1965
New York, New York, U.S., Extracted Death Index, 1862-1948
New York, New York, U.S., Index to Death Certificates, 1862-1948
New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957
Rhinebeck Gazette, 21 Dec 1929
Rhinebeck Gazette, 28 Dec 1929
U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007
U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918