THE VICTOR E. AND MYRTLE WARREN FAMILY AND DESCENDANTS  
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Victor Warren appears in the records of the Glendale community for the first time in the 1900 Glendale Census as the thirteen year old son of George and Aggie Warren. He started working in the drawing room of Glendale Mills at about the age of eight. The census shows that he had 6 siblings at the time, Minnie, Willie, Susie, Manda, Davey and Dewey Warren.

Victor married Miss. Myrtle Burgess from Pacolet, the daughter of W. Thomas and Ruth Holder Burgess. They became the parents of eleven or more children. They lived in one of the original eleven houses Dr. James Bivings built for his first Overseers at the founding of the Bivingsville Mill in the mid-1830s. The Victor Warren family was among the most prominent of the community. They were both employees of Glendale Mills where Victor served as a Second Hand in the Card room for a number of years. Myrtle was a Gold Star mother, having lost a son and a son in-law in the Military service of our country during WW2.

Asterisks indicate more information follows. I have tried to copy census records as recorded. Census dates and names vary and are often incorrect. Where errors occur, I apologize.

The 1920 Glendale Census listed the household as;
Victor Warren 33, Cotton Mill Second Hand  Wife; Myrtle 24
Children;
*Herman G. 8  *Helen Mae 6  *Minnie Elva 4yr. I mo.
*Louie E. 1yr.3mo.  *Luther W. 1yr.3mo.  *Willene 1 mo.

The 1940 Glendale Census listed the household as;
Victor E. Warren 53, second hand  Wife; Myrtle 44
Children;
Herman 29  Luther 21  Willene 19  *Mary 11
*Weldon 13  *Charles 11  *Emily 9  *Audrey 5

Victor and Myrtle are buried in the Glendale Community Cemetery.
Grave markers; Victor E. Warren-August 1, 1886=February 27, 1964
Myrtle B. Warren-October 12, 1895=January 26, 1974

Louie E. Warren died at age of 4 and is buried in the Glendale Community Cemetery.
Grave marker; Louie E. Warren-October 14, 1918= January 3, 1923

Sergeant Herman G. Warren 33, died May 25, 1944 of wounds received in action in Italy. He had been in service since March 17, 1942 and had been overseas since May 18, 1943 following training in Camp Cook, Calif.
Grave marker; Sgt. Herman G. Warren-March 1, 1911=May 25, 1944
The Family of Helen Mae Warren, daughter of Victor and Myrtle Warren
Helen married Boyce Bishop, a native of Inman and the son of John and Ida Jones Bishop. They became the parents of two or more children; Boyce Warren and Russell E. Bishop and lived in their home on Church Street which Boyce bought from the company when the houses were sold in 1955-56.

Excerpts from the obituary of Boyce Lee Bishop published My 22, 1981; “Boyce Lee Bishop, 71, husband of Helen Mae Warren Bishop died Thursday morning in the General Hospital. He had been an employee of Glendale Mills for many years before retiring from Arkwright Mills following the closure of Glendale Mills.

He was a member of the Glendale Baptist Church where Funeral services were held with Revs. Timothy Hottel, Wesley Dixon and William Cross, officiating. Interment followed in the Glendale Community Cemetery.

Survivors were his wife, Helen Bishop; sons, Warren and Russell Bishop; sister, Geneva Schwerts; eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren.”

Excerpts from the obituary of Helen Mae Bishop published January 15, 1982; “Helen Mae Bishop 68, a native of Glendale and the widow of Boyce Lee Bishop, died Thursday at her home.

She was a member of the Glendale Methodist Church where Services are to be held Sunday with Revs. L. Scott Woodham and Timothy L. Hottel, officiating. Interment to follow in Glendale Community Cemetery:

Survivors were; two sons, Boyce Warren and Russell E. Bishop; brothers, Luther, Charles and Weldon Warren; sisters, Mrs. Elva Cash, Mrs. Willene Martin, Mrs. Emily Jean Millwood, and Mrs. Audrey Mahaffey; eight grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.”

Grave markers; Boyce Lee Bishop-December 15, 1909=May 21, 1981
Helen W. Bishop- May 30, 1913=January 14, 1982

The Family of Elva Warren, daughter of Victor and Myrtle Warren
Elva married Fred Cash of Glendale, son of John R. and Corrie Cash. They had no children.

Both are buried in the Glendale Community Cemetery.
Grave Markers; Fred L. Cash-September 7, 1911=June 27, 1968
Elva W. Cash-December 24, 1915=June 4, 1992

The Family of Luther Warren, son of Victor and Myrtle Warren
Luther married Barbara Joe Fain from Clifton.
They became the parents of three children; daughters, Debbie, Denise and Jackie War-
ren. They lived in the original family home in the Glendale Mill Village where Luther worked in the cotton mill and were members of the Glendale Methodist Church. Luther was a WW2 Veteran and was serving in England when his brother Herman was wounded in action in Italy and died May 25, 1944.

Luther died at the age of 68 in December 1986. Barbara Joe died at the age of 58 in March of 1991. Both are buried in Greenlawn Memorial Gardens.

The Family of Willene Warren, daughter of Victor and Myrtle Warren
Willene first married Sgt. Victor C. Hughes who was in the Army at Camp Croft. Victor was among the first enlisted men to report for duty at Camp Croft, S. C. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hughes of Avoca, N. Y. Willene and Victor became the parents of one daughter, Vicki Hughes.

Sgt. Victor Hughes was killed in action July 13, 1944 in WW2 while serving on the French front. He had been in service almost 4 years.

Following the untimely death of Victor, Willene married Joe Frank Martin and they became the parents of one son, Jeffery Frank Martin. Joe was a Veteran of the Korean War where he served two tours in Germany.

Vicki Hughes Munoz died in 2001 and is buried in the Glendale Cemetery.
Grave marker; Vickie Hughes Munoz—December 9, 1942=February 18, 2001
Jeffery Frank Martin died at the age of 12 by accidental drowning and is buried in the Glendale Cemetery.
Grave marker; Jeffery Frank Martin—March 1, 1959=April 22, 1971—Boy Scout.

Joe Frank Martin died and is buried in the Glendale Community Cemetery.
Grave marker; Joe Frank Martin—September 10, 1928=August 28, 2003, Sgt. U.S. Army, Korea

The Family of Mary Ruth Warren, daughter of Victor and Myrtle Warren
Mary Ruth married W. Robert Sprouse, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Sprouse and they became the parents of two or more children.

Excerpts from the obituary of Mary Sprouse published September 19, 1980; Mary Warren Sprouse, 58, died Thursday September 18, 1980 in the General Hospital. She was a member of the Ella Crocker Memorial Pentecostal Church of Glendale where services were to be held with Revs. Wesley Dixon and Timothy L. Hottel, officiating. Interment to follow in the Greenlawn Memorial Gardens.

Survivors were; her husband, Robert W. Spouse; daughters, Mrs. Dixie Bly and Mrs.
Gloria Corbin; brothers, Luther, Weldon and Charles Warren; sisters, Helen Bishop, Elva Cash, Willene Martin, Emily Millwood and Audrey Mahaffey; six grandchildren.”

Excerpts from the obituary of Robert W. Sprouse published October 14, 2010; “W. Robert Sprouse, 79, of Inman died October 12, 2010 at Spartanburg Regional Hospital. He was a retired insurance agent. He was an active member of the Ella Crocker Memorial Pentecostal Church where he served as a Sunday school teacher for forty years, as a deacon and treasurer for many years. He was a member of the Lions Club and a U.S. Air force Veteran having served during the Korean War.

Services were held at Floyd’s Greenlawn Chapel with interment following in the Greenlawn Memorial Gardens.”

The Family of Weldon B. Warren, son of Victor and Myrtle Warren
Weldon married Marjorie Lawson and they became the parents of two or more children; one son, Robert H. Warren and one daughter, Linda Warren.

Weldon had retired from the Spartanburg Herald and Journal’s circulation department and was a member of the Glendale Methodist Church and the Glendale Masonic Lodge #271.

Weldon Warren died December 24, 2003. He was buried in the Greenlawn Memorial Gardens where Graveside services were held, conducted by The Rev. Clarence E. Crocker.

The Family of Charles Warren, son of Victor and Myrtle Warren
Charles married Evelyn Melton and they became the parents of three children; Victor J., Randy and David K. Warren. They are members of the Glendale Baptist Church where Evelyn taught a Sunday School Class for a number of years.

Victor James Warren died as an infant and is buried in the Glendale Community Cemetery.

Grave marker; Victor James Warren-October 11, 1952, Infant son of Charles & Evelyn Warren

The Family of Emily Jean Warren, daughter of Victor and Myrtle Warren
Emily married Thomas Havner Millwood, a Glendale native, the son of Monk and Inez Millwood. They became the parents of three children; two sons, Tommy and Johnny Millwood and one daughter, Vicki Millwood.

Thomas worked for Glendale Mills and bought their home when the mill sold the village houses. They were members of the Glendale Baptist Church. Both were buried in the Glendale Community Cemetery.
The Family of Audrey Warren, daughter of Victor and Myrtle Warren
Audrey first married Carl Junior Mahaffey and they became the parents of three children; two sons, Mark K. and Carl Tim Mahaffey; one daughter, Meleia Mahaffey.

Excerpts from the obituary of Carl J. Mahaffey published August 5, 1990; “Carl Junior Mahaffey, 58, died August 4, 1990 in the Mary Black Hospital. He was the son of the late William Perry and Rhoda Garren Mahaffey. He was a member of the Eastside Baptist Church and was currently serving as Deacon and Assistant Sunday School Superintendent. He was a retired Postal Clerk and Air Force veteran of the Korean War. Survivors were his two sons and daughter; two brothers, Clyde and Dupree Mahaffey; two sisters, Jackie Lee and Earline Turner and two grandchildren.

Services were held at the Eastside Baptist Church with interment following in the Greenlawn Memorial Gardens. Revs. Gerald Burnett and Wesley Cravan, officiated.”

Following the untimely death of Carl, Audrey married Herman Frady.”

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