

*Christ Episcopal Church Cemetery Inventory*

State and Water Streets, Dover DE 19903

Lot Number: 77 Space: I

Find A Grave # 11910066

Name: **Holloway Sr., Dr. Henry "Harry" Vance**

Birth date: July 13, 1875 Death date: January 18, 1966 Burial Date: January 21, 1966 Age: 91  
b. Selbyville, DE

Spouse: Mabel Bailey *Conner* Holloway (1873-1953); second spouse Elizabeth Pole *Stansbury*, m. 1954

Children: Alice Bailey Holloway (1907- ) (Mrs. Robert *Holloway* Shelladay); Harry Vance Holloway Jr. (1908-1963);  
Mary Ellen *Holloway* Young (1920-1953)

Parents: Levin James Holloway (1846-1931) and Mary Ellen *Morris* Holloway (1844-1931)

Siblings: Lucretia Holloway (1877-1901)

Residence: Dover, DE

Cause of death/Burial/Obituary:

Service/occupation information: Superintendent of School, New Castle, DE

Officiate: Rev. Gregory M. Howe

Lot Owner: Harry V. Holloway; Perpetual care by burial permit Feb. 19, 1953

Inscription:

Harry Vance Holloway  
July 13, 1875  
Jan. 15, 1966

DIMENSIONS: H 4" x W 24" x D 12"

STYLE: headstone

No repairs needed



Inventory date: March 26, 2020 Recorder: Ted George

News J. Wed. Jan 19, 1966  
**Holloway, Ex-State School Head, Dies**

Dr. Harry V. Holloway, state superintendent of public instruction for 25 years before his retirement in 1946, died last night at the Crescent Farms Nursing Home, Dover. He was 90 years old.

Dr. Holloway was active in church, Scout, Masonic, Rotary and other community activities throughout his life. He was an educator for more than half a century.

He started teaching in a one-room rural school in lower Delaware in 1895, the year he received his bachelor's degree from Washington College, Chestertown, Md. He was the oldest living alumnus of Washington College at the time of death.

HE became principal at the Bethel School in 1896 and at Felton the following year, serving there until 1902, when he was made superintendent of schools in New Castle.

The only portion of his long career spent outside Dealware started in 1910 when he became superintendent of schools at Bordentown, N.J. He returned in 1919 to become superintendent in Kent County for two years. From that position he was elected state superintendent of public instruction.

Dr. Holloway was born in Selbyville, July 13, 1875. When he retired as state superintendent in 1946, at the age of 70, he was reported to be the oldest state school superintendent in the nation in point of years served in office.

HE received his master's degree at Washington College and his Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1914.

He received an honorary doctorate from Washington College in 1932.

Dr. Holloway was a member of various Masonic orders for 63 years. He was a 33d Degree Mason and a past master of St. John's Lodge No. 2, AF&AM of New Castle. In 1953 he was elected grand master of the Grand Council, Royal Arch Masons.

He was a member of the vestry of Christ Episcopal Church, Dover, for many years and was its secretary for about 10 years. He was a member of the executive board of the Del-Mar-Va Council, Boy Scouts of America, and was awarded the council's Silver Beaver award — the council's highest — in 1952.

Dr. Holloway's father operated a sawmill in the White Oak

Swamp area of Sussex County and his mother taught school in the old building which R. Holloway was attended as a child. Its use was discontinued in 1941 at Dr. Holloway's direction.

DURING his term as state superintendent, Delaware's public schools rose from 33d place to 10th place in national ranking. Teachers' salaries increased from an average of less than \$800 a year to an average of \$2,125. Some 250 small schools were closed.

In 1948, Dr. Holloway spoke out against universal military training, and that same year he headed the Delaware Citizens for Right to Work, Inc.

As the first superintendent of public instruction in Delaware history, Dr. Holloway was honored by the Delaware State Education Association in 1958. He was referred to as "the father of the present public school system in Delaware."

HE was a former member of the Fulbright Scholarship Commission, a past president of the Dover Rotary Club, a member of numerous educational organizations, and a former vice president of the Delaware Branch, United World Federalists.

His first wife, the former Mabel Bailey Conner, whom he married in 1905, died in February, 1953. He married the former Elizabeth Pole Stansbury, who survives, in November, 1954.

Three children preceded him in death. His only survivors, in addition to his widow, are two grandchildren. He lived at 10 Kings Highway.

The time and date of services, will be held in Christ Church, have not been announced. There will be no viewing. The family suggests that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to the Memorial Fund of Christ Church.

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**STATE OF DELAWARE  
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH** 1534

State File No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registered No. \_\_\_\_\_

1. PLACE OF BIRTH SUSSEX State of Delaware  
 County BALTIMORE or Village SELBYVILLE  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_  
 (If birth occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)

2. Full name of child HARRY VANCE HOLLOWAY (If child is not yet named, make supplemental report, as directed)

3. Sex MALE 4. Twin, triplet, or other SINGLE 5. Premature NO 6. Legitimate YES 7. Date of birth JULY 13 1875  
 (If plural, list in order of birth) Full term YES near YES (Month, day, year)

8. Full name LEVIN JAMES HOLLOWAY 9. Full name MARY ELLAN MORRIS  
 FATHER MOTHER

10. Residence (usual place of abode) SELBYVILLE DEL 11. Residence (usual place of abode) SELBYVILLE DEL  
 (If nonresident, give state and county) (If nonresident, give state and county)

12. Color of hair WHITE 13. Age at last birthday 29 14. Color of eyes BLUE 15. Age at last birthday 31  
 (State or country) (State or country)

16. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as farmer, newspaper, bookkeeper, etc. CARPENTER 17. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as farmer, newspaper, bookkeeper, etc. HOUSEWIFE  
 (If industry or business in which work was done, as saw mill, lawyer's office, silk mill, etc.) (If industry or business in which work was done, as saw mill, lawyer's office, silk mill, etc.)

18. Date (month and year) last engaged in this work \_\_\_\_\_ 19. Total time (years) spent in this work \_\_\_\_\_  
 20. Date (month and year) last engaged in this work \_\_\_\_\_ 21. Total time (years) spent in this work \_\_\_\_\_

22. Number of children of this mother (At time of this birth and including this child) 1 (2) Born alive and now living (3) Born alive but now dead (4) Stillborn

23. If stillborn, month or week of gestation \_\_\_\_\_ 24. Cause of stillbirth \_\_\_\_\_ 25. Prophyllactic used in eyes \_\_\_\_\_

3. VERIFICATION OF NAME BY PARENT

CORRECT NAME OF CHILD BIRTH NAME OF PARENT \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE**

I hereby certify that ~~the~~ the ~~child~~ child, who was TOAN ALVA at \_\_\_\_\_ m. on the date above stated, (When there was no attending physician or midwife, then the father, bookkeeper, etc., should make this return.) (Signed) Harry V. Holloway WUNCLE  
 Gives name added from \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY  
 a supplemental report \_\_\_\_\_  
July 31st 1955  
Harry V. Holloway  
 Notary Public

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Lancaster New Era, Lancaster, PA  
 Thursday, November 18, 1954

Marriage  
 license  
 application -  
 Elizabeth  
 Stansbury

**Marriage Licenses**  
**Applications**

Max Riley, Roaring Spring, and Patricia Conklin, Camp Hill.  
 Melvin E. Lapp, Christiana R1, and Rebecca S. Stoltzfus, Christiana R1.  
 Casper J. Cicero, 565 N. Queen St., and Margaret W. Zeigler, Lancaster R4.  
 Robert J. Donnelly, 420 John St., and Doris J. McMinn, 708½ S. Queen St.  
 David H. Wenger, Bareville R1, and Ida H. Martin, Lititz R4.  
 Harry V. Holloway, Dover, Del., and Elizabeth P. Stansbury, Philadelphia.

