

Announce Engagement

The Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Birnbach, of Massey, Md, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessie Vincent, to Mr. Cleveland Justis, of Boston. The wedding will take place at St. Clement's Church, Massey, on Wednesday, Dec. 27th, at 2 P. M. No cards.

Middletown (DE) Transcript, Sat. Dec. 16, 1916

Death certificate, Sept. 5, 1925

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STATE OF DELAWARE BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Registered No. 139

(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.)

1 PLACE OF DEATH
County) Kent
Hundred) of Middletown
Village or City) Dorset New Wyoming St. Ward

2 FULL NAME Cleveland Justis

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX Male 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 MARRIAGE STATUS Married
(10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100)

6 DATE OF BIRTH August 27, 1885 7 AGE 40 yrs. 7 mo. 7 ds. If less than 1 day, specify in minutes.

8 OCCUPATION Engineer
(a) Trade, Profession, or particular kind of work.
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) Wells Fargo & Co.

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or country) Mass

PARENTS

10 NAME OF FATHER Frank Justis
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) Mass
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Carolina Young
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) Mass

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) Mrs. Jessie B. Justis (Address) Dover

15 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Dorset DATE OF BURIAL Sept 7, 1925
16 UNDERTAKER W. A. ... ADDRESS Dorset

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT AN INQUEST WAS HELD UPON THE BODY OF THE ABOVE NAMED DECEASED ON THE _____ DAY OF _____ 19____, THAT THE JURY RENDERED A VERDICT GIVING THE CAUSE OF DEATH AS FOLLOWS: Struck by RR train at crossing south of New Wyoming (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

Contributory Secondary (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

(Signed) William B. ... Coroner Sept. 19 1925 (Address) ...

* State the Disease Causing Death, or, in death from "Infectious Causes, State (1) Name of Injury and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal or Homicidal.

18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Board Residents) _____ In the place of death _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. State _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? _____ Former or usual residence _____

19 FILED Sept 7 1925 LOCAL REGISTRAR. ADDRESS ...
20 FILED Sept 8 1925 LOCAL REGISTRAR. ADDRESS ...

MARGIN RESERVE FOR BINDING. WRITE PLAINLY WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD. No. 1. Every item of information should be carefully verified. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PERSONS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms so that it may be properly classified. EXACT statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

CROSSING VICTIM BURIED YESTERDAY

Special to The Evening Journal.
DOVER, Del., Sept. 8.—Coroner Ennis yesterday summoned a jury to investigate the death of Cleveland Justis, Engineer for the State Highway Department who was killed Saturday morning at the Saxon Crossing south of Wyoming when his automobile was hit by a passenger train. Howard M. Buckson, cashier at the Peoples Trust Company, was foreman of the jury and Herman C. Taylor, secretary.

The crew of the train who testified included George Tumlin, conductor; S. G. Russell, engineer; Freeman S. Holland, fireman; G. T. Harrington, baggagemaster and C. S. Cortelyou, flagman. I. Paul Jones, secretary of State Highway Commission, was also a witness.

Each of the crew testified that the proper signals were given by blowing the whistle and ringing the bell. Engineer Russell said he saw the automobile on approaching the crossing but by the time he had applied brakes and used other means, it was too late, the engine striking the machine and hurling it with the body over on the southbound tracks. He said he was running between 45 and 50 miles per hour and that his train was three minutes late. The verdict follows:

"Cleveland Justis came to his death by being struck by train 455 on Saturday morning, September 5, 1925, at Saxon's Crossing, south of Wyoming.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon in Christ P. E. Church where services were conducted by the Rev. B. F. Thompson, rector of the church, interment being made in the churchyard adjoining.

The pallbearers included I. Paul Jones, W. W. Mack, Allen Craig, Samuel Knopf, H. D. Moore, all of the State Highway Department and William K. Knight.

INQUEST IS HELD IN JUSTIS' DEATH

Jury Unable to Find Explanation for Tragedy at Wyoming.

(Special to Every Evening)

Dover, September 8.—Coroner W. D. Ennis yesterday summoned a jury to investigate the death of Cleveland Justis of the State Highway Department, who was killed last Saturday morning at the Saxon crossing south of Wyoming, when struck by the 8.27 express train over the Delaware railroad.

Howard M. Buckson, cashier at the Peoples Trust Company was selected as foreman of the jury and Herman C. Taylor, secretary.

The crew of the train included George Tumlin, conductor; S. G. Russell, engineer; Freeman S. Holland, fireman; C. T. Harrington, baggage master; C. S. Cortelyou, flagman; I. Paul Jones, secretary of the State Highway Commission was also summoned.

That the proper signals were given by blowing the whistle and ringing the bell, the engineer stating that he saw the automobile before approaching the crossing, but by the time he had applied the brakes he saw it was too late, the engine striking the automobile and hurling it, with the body, over to the south bound tracks.

The engineer also stated that he was running between 45 and 50 miles per hour and that his train was 3 minutes late.

The testimony of the other witnesses dealt with the finding of the body, picking it up and bringing it to Wyoming.

The jury after deliberating for a short while rendered the verdict that Cleveland Justis came to his death by being struck by train 456 on Saturday morning, September 5, 1925, at Saxon's crossing, south of Wyoming.

After the inquest the casket containing the remains of Mr. Justis was removed to his late home on Academy Square into which they had moved last week. Later in the afternoon it was taken to Christ P. E. Church where services were held by Rev. B. F. Thompson, rector of Christ Church, interment being made in the churchyard adjoining.

The pall bearers included I. Paul Jones, W. W. Mack, Allen Craig, Samuel Knopf, H. D. Moore, all of

Each of the train crew testified the State Highway Department and William K. Knight.

About the Cleveland Justis Family:

His widow, **Jessie Vincent Birnbach Justis** (1893-1965) moved to Haddon Heights, New Jersey with her two young children and her mother sometime after 1927. Her mother, Hannah Emily Wolfe Birnbach died at her daughter's home 8 January 1930 and was buried in the Christ Episcopal Church Cemetery, Dover, Delaware. On 24 February 1932, Jessie Vincent Birnbach Justis married another widower, John Young Floyd and continued to live in Haddon Heights, New Jersey. Her husband John Young Floyd (1877 – unknown) is assumed buried with his second wife Addie Mae Zanzenberg Floyd (1885-1928) in Fernwood, Delaware, Pennsylvania. His date of death was not inscribed on the grave marker. In November 1957, Jessie Vincent Birnbach Justis Floyd returned the three remaining plots (B, C, and D) in the cemetery back to Christ Church, Dover, Delaware. Jessie Vincent Birnbach Floyd went to live near her daughter, **Emily Elizabeth Justis Allen** in Orange County, California. She died on 21 January 1965 in Orange County, California.

Cleveland Justis' son, **Robert Young Justis** (1918-2000) was an electrical engineer and inn keeper in Stowe, Vermont. He had two sons, **Robert Young Justis, Jr** (1943-2021) and **Cleveland Tabler Justis** (1968 -). Robert Young Justis is buried in the Grace and St. Stephens Episcopal Church Columbarium in Colorado Springs, El Paso, Colorado, USA.

Cleveland Justis' daughter, **Emily Elizabeth Justis** (1923-2012) married her high school sweetheart, **Jacques Hartley Allen** (1923-1945) in 1943. Tragically, her husband died of his injuries suffered in World War II. He never met his daughter, **Kathleen Emily Allen** (1946 -). In 1946, **Emily Elizabeth Justis Allen** married **Robert Wesley Allen** (1922-2008) and they had two daughters, **Beverly Allen** (1953-) and **Janet Allen** (1955). The couple spent most of their married life in Orange County, California. In 2002, the couple moved to Loveland Colorado. She and her husband, Robert Wesley Allen were cremated and their remains are in the All Saints Episcopal Church Columbarium, in Loveland, Larimer, Colorado, USA.

ROBERT Y. JUSTIS

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. -- Robert Y. Justis, 81, of Colorado Springs, died Sunday, Feb. 20, from a heart attack.

Justis was born April 14, 1918, in Virginia. He pursued a career as an electrical engineer and then as an innkeeper in Stowe. Justis was an avid skier, gardener and stamp collector. In 1988, he and his wife Merna moved to Colorado. Justis is survived by his sister, Emily Allen; two sons, Robert Jr. and Cleveland; stepdaughter, Paige Kier; and stepsons, Tom Peterson and Bob Dartt.

A memorial service will be held at Grace Episcopal Church in Colorado Springs on March 11. In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to The Nature Conservancy, 27 State St., Montpelier, Vt. 05602.

Robert (Bob) Justis Jr

TELLURIDE, CO - Robert (Bob) Justis Jr, 77, of Telluride, Colorado, and Greenbrae, California, passed away peacefully on May 3, 2021. Bob spent most of his life in Vermont and Telluride, Colorado, where he enjoyed most of his remaining days exploring the rugged mountains that were so dear to him. Born on September 21, 1943 to Emily Smith Justis and Robert Young Justis in Joplin, Missouri, Bob developed a passion for economic development, the outdoors, and large quantities of healthy organic food.

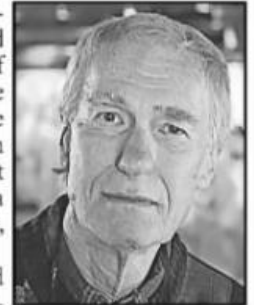
Throughout his distinguished career, Bob touched the lives of countless people through his lifelong passion for economic development, solar energy, climate change prevention, and love of the outdoors. As a child, Bob lived in Stowe, Vermont, and attended public schools there until he enrolled in Deerfield Academy. He graduated with honors from Dartmouth College, later earning an MBA from Wharton School of Business.

Bob was on the executive track at General Motors when the Vietnam War intervened. He proudly served as an Army Reservist, attending the Defense Language Institute in Monterey, California, where he became fluent in the Russian language. During this time and through the people he met in the Army, he developed a passion for the Western US and for the power of using his business skills to create positive economic impact for underserved communities.

Bob served as the executive director of the Northern Community Investment Corporation and then served for many years as the Director of Economic Development for the State of Vermont. Later moving to Washington, DC, he became the Washington, DC director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization. The pull of Vermont brought Bob to Rutland, Vermont, where he concluded a remarkable career as the head of economic development for Central Vermont Public Service, the largest electric provider in Vermont.

Upon retirement, Bob relocated to the family home in Telluride, Colorado. Bob spent his remaining days hiking the glorious mountains of Colorado, meeting amazing people, and serving on the San Miguel Power Association board of directors.

Bob leaves behind many dear extended family members and friends, mainly in Colorado, Vermont, and northern California. His closest living relatives are his brother, Cleveland Justis of San Rafael, CA, and his nephews, Galen and Daniel. Bob will be remembered for his easy smile, deep integrity, passion for the environment, love of hiking, and enjoyment of healthy, organic food. Bob's family and friends are planning a memorial service for Fall 2021 in Telluride. Instead of flowers, consider donating to your favorite environmental organization. Or better yet, go for a long hike in the mountains followed by a healthy serving of wild salmon and organic wine.



Kibbey-Fishburn Funeral Home & Crematory

Emily Elizabeth Allen

(February 20, 1923 - July 30, 2012)

Emily Elizabeth Justis was born to Jessie Birnbach and Cleveland Justis in Dover Delaware and raised in Haddon Heights New Jersey. She attended Haddon Heights High School and Hanna More Academy, graduating from HHHS in 1940. She attended Cedar Crest College in Allentown PA, but left before graduating to marry Jacques Hartley Allen, her high school sweetheart. Jacques died as a result of injuries sustained in WWII, but lives on in Emily's first daughter Kathleen. Emily married Robert Wesley Allen in 1946 and Beverly and then Janet came along. Emily was a proud homemaker until 1966, when she went to work at Allstate as an accounting clerk for several years.

Emily and Bob resided in Southern California for most of their marriage; Emily loved the warm weather of Orange County. She was always active in school parent teacher organization, serving as treasurer for several terms. She served her church in several capacities-altar guild and wedding directress among them. She loved Community Bible Study and served there as a core leader for several years. Emily and Bob moved to Colorado in 2002 and were members of All Saints Episcopal Church. Emily resided at The Hillcrest Assisted Living in Loveland until her passing.

Everyone who knew Emily loved her and her never failing sense of humor. Emily was always devoted to her family; she loved her brother, Bob, who passed away in 2000, her husband Bob, who passed in 2008 and her daughters-Kathy Hume of Loveland CO, Beverly Van Zandt of Parker CO and Janet Platt of Kingman AZ. She is survived by her daughters and their husbands, granddaughters-Lisa Spain, Andrea Spain, Heather Van Zandt Avelino, Erika Van Zandt Zessin, Stephanie Platt Cleveland and Emily Platt Salazar, great grandchildren Sean Starke, Autumn Fenton, Megan Fenton, Gabriel Avelino, Carmen Avelino, Rachel Cleveland, Austin Cleveland , Lauren Cleveland and Drew Salazar. She will also be missed by her nephews, the sons of the brother she loved, Robert Justis, Jr. and Cleve Justis.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday at 2:00p.m. at the All Saints Episcopal Church.

Godspeed, Mom; we will miss you but surely see you again. Say hi to Dad for us.