

# Laura Walker (1866-1957)

Name: Laura Walker<sup>1</sup>  
 Sex: Female  
 Custom Id: ID3518  
 Father: George Walker (1817?-bef1910)  
 Mother: Sarah Shattuck (-bef1910)  
 Spouse (1): William Fenner (1864-1906)  
 Spouse (2): William Alfred Worthen (1866-1941)

## Individual Events and Attributes

Birth: 28 Oct 1866 Hartland, Huron, Ohio, United States<sup>1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8</sup>

- Birth Date: 28 Oct 1868, Ohio [1]
- Birth Date: 1866: [2] [3]
- Birth Place: Ohio [1] [3]

- 1920: Age 51, born Ohio
- 1940: Age 73, born Ohio

-Source List:

- [1] Indiana, Death Certificates, 1899-2011 for Laura A. Fenner, Doc3958.pdf
- [2] Shown as date of birth on headstone image - Find a Grave for Laura
- [3] 1900 US Census
- [4] Marriage Record, Doc1280.pdf



2014, Civil War Monument

Alternate Name: Laura A. Fenner

Name Type: Married

- Name: Laura N. Fenner [2]
- Name: Laura Fenner [1] [3]

**SourceList:**

- [1] Newspaper Article, Divorce Granted, Laura A. Worthen, Jan 1914. The Muncie Morning Star, 21 Jan 1914, page 11, Col. 2. www.newspapers.com, accessed 17 Aug 2017. Doc4393.pdf
- [2] Newspaper Article, Doc4398.pdf
- [3] Marriage Record, IND, Worthen, William Alfred, ID0386 & Laura Walker Fenner, ID3518 (Lic & Return), Doc1280.pdf



2014, Civil War Memorial

Alternate Name: Laura Worthen

Name Type: Married

- Laura A. Worthen [1]

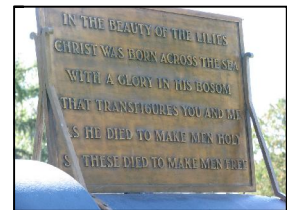
**SourceList:**

- [1] News Article, 21 Jan 1914, Doc4393.pdf



2014, Plaque on Civil War Memorial

Daughter: 7 Jun 1880 (age 13) Laura Walker appeared in the census in the household of George Walker on 7 June 1880 in Highland County, Ohio, United States.



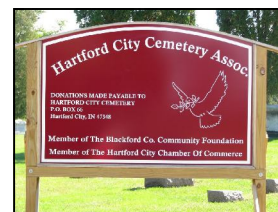
2014, Plaque, north side - Civil War Memorial

Widowed: 1906 (age 39-40) death of William Fenner<sup>2,9,10</sup>  
 Census: 21 Apr 1910 (age 43) Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>2</sup>  
 Address: 1307 N. Walnut St.

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Extract:

- 1] Laura A. Fenner: Head of household, 41, white female, widowed - had 3 children, all 3 are living. parents born Virginia - Occupation: Own Income -
- 2] May L. Fenner: daughter of head, 24, white female, single, parents born Ohio - Occupation: None -
- 3] Charles N. Fenner: Son of head - 22, white male, single - parents born Ohio - Occupation: Laborer, railroad
- 4] Harry W. Fenner: Son of head - 19, white male, single - parents born Ohio - Occupation: Laborer, railroad



2014, Cemetery Entrance Sign

Household:

- Rent House at 1307 N. Walnut St.
- All able to read, write and speak English
- All born Ohio

Possessions: 21 Apr 1910 (age 43) rented home; Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>2</sup>  
 Address: 1307 N. Walnut St.

Residence: Jul 1910 (age 43) Blackford County, Indiana, United States<sup>1</sup>  
 Occupation: Jul 1910 (age 43) HouseKeeper; Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>1</sup>  
 Marital Status: 20 Jul 1910 (age 43) Widowed; Blackford County, Indiana, United States<sup>1</sup>  
 Marital Status: 21 Jul 1910 (age 43) Number of marriage: 1 Previous Marriage dissolved? Death<sup>1</sup>  
 Gender: Female<sup>11</sup>  
 - Female, white [1]

[1] Marriage Record, W. A. Worthen and Laura Fenner, Acc001920/Doc1280.pdf

Signature: 21 Jul 1910 (age 43) Laura Fenner; Blackford County, Indiana, United States<sup>1</sup>  
 Mother: 6 Jan 1920 (age 53) Laura Walker appeared in the census in the household of Harry W. Fenner on 6 January 1920 at 1223 N. Walnut St. in Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States.

Occupation: 1930 (age 63-64) Not employed outside the home; Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>12</sup>

Possessions: Apr 1930 (age 63) Owned home, value \$1500, does not live on a farm; Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>12</sup>

Address: 1223 N. Walnut St.

Census: 14 Apr 1930 (age 63) Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>12</sup>  
 Address: 1223 N. Walnut St.

**From Image:**

- 1] Laura Fenner: Head of household - 61, white female, widow - She and her parents born Ohio - age 17 at first marriage - able to read, write and speak English - Occupation: None -
- 2] Harry Fenner: Son of head - 39, white male, single - Able to read, write and speak English - He and parents born Ohio - Occupation: Hauling - Not a veteran
- 3] Virginia Fenner: Granddaughter of head - 8, white female, Single - attended school - Born Indiana, Father born Ohio, Mother born Michigan
- 4] Mary Gene Fenner: Granddaughter of head - 8, white female, single, attended school - Born Indiana, Father born Ohio, Mother born Michigan
- 5] Chester Smith: Grandson of head - 15, white male, single - Attended school - able to read, write and speak English - He and his father born Indiana - Mother born Ohio - Occupation: Newsboy for Newspaper

**Household:**

- Owned home, value \$1500, does not live on a farm

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Residence: Apr 1935 (age 68) Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>7</sup>  
 Address: 1223 N. Walnut St.

Occupation: 1940 (age 73-74) Not employed outside home; Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>7</sup>

Possessions: Apr 1940 (age 73) owned home, value \$800.00; Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>7</sup>  
 Address: 1223 N. Walnut St.

Census: 5 Apr 1940 (age 73) Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>7</sup>  
 Address: 1223 N. Walnut St.

**From Image:**

- 1] Laura Fenner: Head of household - Informant - 73, white female, widowed - Highest School Grade: 8 - Born Ohio - Occupation: None -
- 2] Harry Fenner: Son - 49, white male - single - born Ohio - Highest School Grade: 8 - Occupation: Truck Driver - General Hauling - Worked 52 weeks in 1939 - Income \$500 - Other Income: No
- 3] Cheser Smith: Grandson - 25, white male, single - Highest school grade: 4 yrs High school - Born Indiana - Occupation: Laborer, Overhead Door - 1939: Weeks worked, 52 - Income: \$1100 - No other income
- 4] Alice Armitage: Granddaughter - 17, white female, single - attended school, highest grade 2 yrs high school - Born Indiana - Occupation: None -
- 5] Evelyn Nipp: Granddaughter - 11, white female, single - attended school, highest grade 5 - born Indiana Occupation: None -

**Household:**

- Owned Home, Value \$800.00
- Residence, Apr 1935: Same House - 1223 N. Walnut, Hartford City, Indiana

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Web Page:  
Education:

RobbHaas Page<sup>13</sup>  
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1900, 1910, 1920, 1930: Able to read, write and speak English  
1940: Highest School grade: 8

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Parents:

George Dowell Walker and Sarah Shattuck<sup>1,4</sup>

- Father: George Walker, [3]
- Mother: Sarah Shattuck [3]
  
- Father: Dowell Walker, Mother: Unknown [1]
- Parents both born Ohio [1]

**SourceList:**

- [1] Indiana, Death Certificates, 1899-2011 for Laura A. Fenner, Doc3958.pdf
- [2] 1930 US Census, Laura Fenner, Doc3961.pdf
- [3] Marriage Record, IND, Worthen, William Alfred, ID0386 & Laura Walker Fenner, ID3518 (Lic & Return), Doc1280.pdf (O)

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Widowed:  
Grandchildren:

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- 4] Alice Armitage: Granddaughter - 17, white female, single - attended school, highest grade 2 yrs high school - Born Indiana - Occupation: None -
- 5] Evelyn Nipp: Granddaughter - 11, white female, single - attended school, highest grade 5 - born Indiana Occupation: None - [1940 Census]

Death:

16 Apr 1957 (age 90) Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>4,8</sup>

Cause: 4am, Hypertensive Heart Disease due to Chronic Nephritis  
 Address: 1300 N. Richmond St.  
 -From Image::  
 Indiana State Board of Health/Medical Certificate of Death  
 Local No. 669 - State No. 10984  
 Name: Laura A. Fenner, White, female, widowed  
 Death: 16 Apr 1957, 4am - 1300 N. Richmond St., Hartford City, Blackford County, Indiana [Home]  
 Cause of Death: Hypertensive Heart Disease due to Chronic Nephritis  
 Autopsy not performed  
 Birth: 28 Oct 1866, Ohio  
 Occupation: Housewife  
 Father: Dowell Walker  
 Mother: Unknown  
 Veteran: No  
 Social Security Number: Blank  
 Informant: Harry Fenner, Son - 1300 N. Richmond St., Hartford City, Indiana  
 Burial: 18 Apr 1957, IOOF Cemetery, Hartford City, Indiana  
 Funeral Home: Keplinger Funeral Home, Hartford City, Indiana [1]

**Source List:**

[1] Indiana, Death Certificates, 1899-2011 for Laura A. Fenner, Doc3958.pdf

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Burial: 19 Apr 1957 IOOF/ Hartford City Cemetery, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>4,8</sup>

- Burial: 18 Apr 1957, IOOF Cemetery, Hartford City, Indiana [1]

**Source List:**

[1] Indiana, Death Certificates, 1899-2011 for Laura A. Fenner, Doc3958.pdf

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**Marriage (1)**

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Spouse: William Fenner (1864-1906)

Children: Lessie M. Fenner (1886- )  
Charles Newton Fenner (1888?-1968)  
Harry W. Fenner (1890-1974)

Marriage: 11 Sep 1884 (age 17) Highland County, Ohio, United States<sup>1,5,8,9,12,14</sup>  
- Age 17 at first marriage [1]

Census (family): [1] 1930 US Census, Laura Fenner, Doc3961.pdf  
21 Jun 1900 (age 33) Clinton County, Ohio, United States<sup>5</sup>

Extract:

- 1] John W. Fenner: Head of household - 35, white male, born Aug 1864 - Married for 16 years - Occupation: Day Laborer, not employed for 3 months
- 2] Laura A. Fenner: Wife of head - 33, white female, born Oct 1866 - Married for 16 years - Had 3 children all living -
- 3] Lessie M. Fenner: Daughter of head - 15 white female, born Jan 1885, single - At School 6 months
- 4] Charles Fenner: Son of head - 12, white male, born Sept 1887, single - at school for 6 months
- 5] Harri Fenner: Son of head - 10 yr. old white male, Born May 1890, single - at school for 6 months
- 6] Mary J. Shears: Sister of head - 24, white female - born July 1875, single

Household:

- All persons and their parents born Ohio
- Rent Home
- All able to read, write and speak English

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Property (Fam): 21 Jun 1900 (age 33) rented home; Clinton County, Ohio, United States<sup>5</sup>

Children (Family): 21 Apr 1910 (age 43) 3 Children born, all living<sup>2,5</sup>

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**Marriage (2)**

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Spouse: William Alfred Worthen (1866-1941)

Marriage: 21 Jul 1910 (age 43) Blackford County, Indiana, United States<sup>1,15</sup>

- License Date: 21 July 1910 [2]
- Marriage Date: 21 July 1910 [2]
- Marriage Place: Blackford County, Indiana [2]
- Official: Rev. B. Earle Parker [1] [2]
- William Married twice before [2]
- William's Previous Marriage ended in death, March 1910 [2]
- Laura Married once before [2]
- Laura's previous marriage ended in death [2]

**SourceList:**

- [1] News Art - Wedding Notice, Doc4398.pdf
- [2] Marriage Record, IND, Worthen, William Alfred, ID0386 & Laura Walker Fenner, ID3518 (Lic & Return), Doc1280.pdf (O)



Spouse:  
William Alfred  
Worthen, c.  
1910, age 44

Residence (family): 1911 (age 44-45) Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>16,17</sup>  
 Address: 822 W. Franklin

Divorce: Jan 1914 (age 47) Hartford City, Blackford, Indiana, United States<sup>18,19</sup>  
 - Divorce Date: Jan 1913 [2]  
 - Divorce Date: Jan 1914 [1]

**Source List:**

[1] News Article, 21 Jan 1914, Doc4393.pdf

[2] Marriage Record, IND, Worthen, Alford W., ID0386 &amp; Della May Murphy, ID1894 (Lic, Cert), Doc1271.pdf

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**Individual Note 1**

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- Name: Laura Walker

- Female [1]

- White [1]

**Notes:**

- Old FSFT#: L632-3FL - Deleted w/ merge by Jena on 12 Jan 2017

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**SourceList:**

[1] Marriage Record, IND, Worthen, William Alfred, ID0386 &amp; Laura Walker Fenner, ID3518 (Lic &amp; Return), Doc1280.pdf

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**Individual Note 2**

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WebTags:

1. Find a Grave Memorial: <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/59944924/fen>2. FamilySearch Profile: <https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/details/9XLR-LXP>

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**Individual Note 3**

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Web Tag: MRM Page

URL: <http://sites.rootsmagic.com/robbhaas2/index.php>

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**Individual Note 4**

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Web Tag: William A. Worthen Family Page

URL: <http://www.robbhaasfamily.com/Worthen/William-Mattie%20Worthen%20Family.htm>

Note:

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