

GEORGE DILLON

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GEORGE ELLSWORTH DILLON, son of John Abner Dillon (1834-1902) and Elizabeth Rebecca Parrill (1838-1904), was born on 2 Apr 1876, in Vermillion County, Illinois. In 1902, he married **NELLIE “MAUDE” DAWSON**, daughter of Judge James Edward Dawson (1837-1905) and Mary Elizabeth Babcock (1851-1947). Maude was born on 12 Jul 1880. Maude passed away on 10 Apr 1907.



GEORGE ELLSWORTH DILLON & NELLIE “MAUDE” DAWSON

Married in 1902

Photograph provided by Judith Dillon

George and Maude had the following children:

GERALD ELLSWORTH DILLON, born 26 Sep 1903 in Garden City, Finney County, Kansas, and married to Alice E. Bechelmayr, daughter of John Bechelmayr and Margaret Duke. Gerald died on 6 Nov 1993, and Alice died on 8 Apr 1996, both in Garden City and buried there at the Valley View Cemetery.

HELEN CRYSTELLE DILLON, born 19 Nov 1904 in Garden City, was married to Carl F. Dohm. Carl was born in 1911 in Arizona. Helen passed away on 14 Apr 1982, and Carl died on 1 Jun 1985. Burial was at the Mountain Shadow Cemetery in Sonora, Tuolumne County, California.

PAULINE E. DILLON, born 8 Jun 1906 in Garden City, was married to Melvin M. Swickard, son of Elmer and Addie Swickard, on 16 Jul 1933. Three sons were born in their marriage: John, Robert, & Richard. Melvin Swickard died on 8 Aug 1958, and Pauline passed away on 14 Nov 1980. Both buried at the Greenwood Cemetery in Newton, Harvey County, Kansas.

George Ellsworth Dillon married again to **DELLA “DAISY” BOXWELL**, daughter of Samuel L. Boxwell (1856-1919) and Jennie DeHaven (1874-1933). Daisy was born on 22 Jan 1882 in Frederick County, Virginia. She died on 6 Aug 1925 in Garden City, Finney County, Kansas, and the burial was at the Valley View Cemetery in Garden City.

George married his third wife, **SADIE E. (STAPLETON) FERRIS**, daughter of John Stapleton (1850-1909) and Cynthia Isabelle Maupin (1853-1923), in 1933. Sadie was born Sarah “Sadie” E. Stapleton on 19 Mar 1874 in Missouri. (See *Sadie Dillion, Project Consultant – Finney County.*)

Records reveal that George Ellsworth Dillon lived in the Finney County, Kansas area for 69 years. There, in 1907, he was working as the chief of the Garden City Fire Department. For many years, he had his own farm and later worked as a building contractor.

In 1956, George & Sadie were living on 3rd street in Garden City. George died on 20 Feb 1959 in Larned, Pawnee County, Kansas after a yearlong illness. Burial was at the Valley View Cemetery in Garden City, Kansas, next to his first wife, Maude (Dawson) Dillon,

Sadie died on 2 May 1970 and buried at the Valley View Cemetery in Garden City, Kansas.

Cemetery Headstone

Burial place for George Dillon and his first wife, Maude (Dawson) Dillon



VALLEY VIEW CEMETERY
Garden City, Finney County, Kansas
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