

SIMEON MOSS

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SIMEON MARTINDALE MOSS, son of Samuel Robeson Moss (1846-1917) and Mary Ruth Rulon (1848-1905), was born on 27 Nov 1875 in Madison County, Indiana. His family moved to Fairbury, Nebraska when he was a small child. He was still living there in 1900, working as a schoolteacher. Simeon married **ETTA NORA CRABTREE**, daughter of Allen G. Crabtree (1849-1932) and Eliza Umland (1857-1926), on 19 Aug 1909, near Lincoln, Nebraska. Etta was born in Lincoln, on 16 Sep 1880. After they married, Simeon and Etta moved to Wisner, Cuming County, Nebraska, where Simeon continued teaching school.

Simeon and Etta had two children, **JOHN C. MOSS**, born 7 Aug 1911, and **RUTH C. MOSS**, born on 30 Jun 1913. Both were born in Wisner, Cuming County, Nebraska.

In 1920, they lived in Colony, Adams County, Iowa, and Simeon worked as a bank cashier. Then about 1925, they moved to Garden City, Kansas, where Simeon continued working as a bank cashier for several years, and later, he became the town's City Clerk. Etta worked as a Bank Bookkeeper

Simeon died on 14 Oct 1948 in Garden City, and the burial was there at the Valley View Cemetery. The family also set up a Memorial Headstone at the Fairbury Cemetery in Fairbury, Jefferson County, Nebraska.

In 1950, after Simeon passed away, Etta was still living in Garden City and their daughter, Ruth was working there as a Public Assistant Accountant. Soon, Ruth moved to California, taking her mother, Etta, with her.

Etta died in Los Angeles County, California, on 30 Oct 1953. Simeon and Etta's son, John, died in 1994.

Newspaper Wedding Announcement

SIMEON MARTINDALE MOSS & ETTA NORA CRABTREE

The (Lincoln) Nebraska State Journal, 21 Aug 1909 – Saturday

A beautiful wedding occurred Thursday night when Simeon M. Moss and Miss Etta Crabtree were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, ten miles east of Lincoln (*Nebraska*).

The ceremony was performed in the presence of the families of the contracting parties by Thomas A. Maxwell, pastor of the Christian Church of Fairbury. Following the wedding ceremony, they served a lavish supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Moss are graduates of the state university. They left Lincoln Friday morning for Wisner, Nebraska, where Mr. Moss is superintendent of the city schools.

Memorial Headstone

SIMEON MARTINDALE MOSS

On 16 Oct 1948, the burial for Simeon was at the Valley View Cemetery in Garden City, Kansas.

Later, this memorial was set up for him at the FAIRBURY CEMETERY in Fairbury, Jefferson County, Nebraska.



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Newspaper Obituary

SIMEON MARTINDALE MOSS

The Lincoln (Nebraska) Star – Sunday, 31 Oct 1948

Simeon Martindale Moss, who died in Garden City, Kansas on October 14 at the age of 72, was born in Anderson, Indiana, and moved to Fairbury, Nebraska, with his parents while a small boy. After graduating from Fairbury High School, he attended the University of Nebraska, where he received A. B. and M. A. degrees. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

He was married on 19 Aug 1909 in Lincoln to Etta Nora Crabtree. A son, John, and daughter, Ruth, were born in Wisner (Cuming County, Nebraska). After teaching and serving as superintendent of schools in several Nebraska towns, Mr. Moss moved to Nevinville, Adams County, Iowa, where he was president of the bank.

In 1920, he moved to Garden City Kansas, where he engaged in banking, was city clerk for ten years and since July of 1943 had operated an accounting firm.