

George Walker Found

George Walker, who pitched four games for Baltimore of the American Association in 1888 has been found by Justin McKinney. We knew that Walker was from Hamilton, Ontario and issues of the Hamilton Spectator have recently come online. (Isn't that a great name for a newspaper?) Justin looked through the paper and found an article from 1890 with the obituary of Walker's father. The article mentioned that he was the father of the pitcher, George Walker. A year later, his mother passed away at the home of her son, George Walker, who lived at 99 King Street West in Hamilton. They had a grocery store.

From there, it was on to Find-a-grave, where both parents were listed as well as George who was buried with them. George's grave listed his life span as 1856-1908. Justin then went back to the newspaper and found his obit that said he was a grocer living on King Street West. There was no mention of baseball in the obit, but with his father's obit saying he was a baseball pitcher, it is clear that we have the right guy. This is our *Find of the Month*.

William Hurley

William H. (Dick) Hurley played two games with the Washington Olympics in 1872. He was supposedly from Honesdale, Pennsylvania and came from a large family. He is listed twice in the 1870 census, once in Honesdale, with parents William and Rachael, and nine other siblings, and once in Washington DC with his wife Ophelia who he married in on February 21, 1870.

On December 17, 1870, their son Francis William Hurley was born, and he is listed with Ophelia in the 1880 census. Ophelia was listed as widowed, yet she filed for divorce in 1884. In the newspaper article about the divorce, she claimed that she was with her husband in New York in June of 1875 and was treated so badly that she left and went back to Washington. Her husband visited her six months later, and without cause, deserted her.

So what happened to William? He doesn't appear in the 1880 or 1900 census or on any subsequent census. He isn't mentioned in the obituary of his son, who died in Shanghai, China in 1902. Hurley's father died in 1903, and his obituary said that William was living in Lestershire, New York. Aha! There was a William Hurley who died in 1912 in Lestershire. Alas, that doesn't appear to be him. He was killed in a bar fight and his relatives were from Brockton, Massachusetts. Nothing else seems to show a William Hurley in Lestershire. The possibility certainly exists that the mention in his father's obit was erroneous and he died before 1900. In fact, since the 1880 census shows Ophelia as a widow and she says he deserted her around 1875, he might have even died before 1880. Perhaps he was shot by a jealous husband. This is our *Mystery of the Month*.

Birthday List

Here are the nonagenarians celebrating birthdays in March and April.

March 12	Vernon Law	94
March 18	Lee Tate	92
March 20	Jim Willis	97
March 20	George Altman	91
March 25	Nelson Chittum	91
April 8	Charlie Maxwell	97
April 8	Lloyd Merritt	91
April 10	Wes Stock	90
April 12	Mel Held	95
April 14	Marty Keough	90
April 15	J C Hartman	90
April 25	Art Schallock	100
April 28	Jackie Brandt	90
April 29	Luis Aparicio	90

Scoreboard

CATEGORY	IN	OUT	PCT
Names	20828	38	99.818
Births	20399	467	97.762
Deaths	10164	145	99.305
Bats	19663	1067	94.853
Throws	19868	862	95.842
Heights	20093	637	96.927
Weights	20015	715	96.551
Debut Dates	20866	0	100.000
Questionnaires	9980	10886	47.829
Total			92.0811

New Monthly Data

Questionnaires Received:

None

New Information Received:

DEBUT YR	NAME	CHANGE OR ADD	SOURCE
1920	Acosta, Jose	<u>Not the brother of Baldomero Acosta</u> Source: No evidence of familial relationship	(C1)
1880	Ahearn, William H.	Cemetery: <u>St. Patrick Cemetery, Watervliet, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1965	Alyea, Garrabrant Ryerson	D: <u>Feb 4 2024 Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania</u> Cemetery: <u>Sunset Memorial Park, Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania</u> Source: Funeral home	(C1)
1907	Barberich, Frank Frederick	Cemetery: <u>Greenfield Cemetery, Uniondale, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1904	Batch, Emil	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1918	Bernhardt, Walter Jacob	Cemetery: <u>White Haven Memorial Park, Pittsford, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1966	Bristol, James David (MGR)	B: <u>Macon, Georgia</u> Source: Questionnaire	(C1)
1879	Brouthers, Dennis Joseph	<u>TR</u> Source: Buffalo Times, Rucker archive	(C1)
1884`	Casey, Dennis Patrick	Cemetery: <u>St. Patrick's Cemetery, Johnson City, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1891	Dahlen, William Frederick	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1916	Dede, Arthur Richard	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1983	DeLeon, Jose (Chestaro)	D: <u>Feb 25 2024 Santo Domingo, Distrito Nacional, Dominican Republic</u> Cemetery: <u>Jardin Memorial, Santo Domingo, Distrito Nacional, Dominican Republic</u> Source: Funeral home	(C1)
1974	Demery, Lawrence Calvin	D: <u>Feb 15 2024 Bakersfield, California</u> Cemetery: <u>Shafter Memorial Park, Shafter, California</u> Source: Cemetery	(C1)
1918	Devine, William Patrick	Cemetery: <u>Our Lady of Angels Cemetery, Colonie, New York</u>	(W4)

		Source: Cemetery	
1883	Diven, Frank Robert	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1884	Dorsey, Joseph Wilbur	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
2001	Everett, Jeffrey Adam	B: Feb 5 1977 Source: mlb	(C1)
1954	Gardner, William Frederick	B: <u>New London, Connecticut</u> Source: WWII draft registration, questionnaire	(C1)
1883	Gorman, John F.	Height: <u>5-09</u> Weight: <u>160</u> Source: Rocky Mountain News	(C1)
1970	Gullett, Donald Edward	D: <u>Feb 14 2024 Columbus, Ohio</u> Cemetery: <u>Mount Zion Cemetery, South Shore, Kentucky</u> Source: Funeral home	(C1)
1872	Hall, Edwin James	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1871	Hall, George William	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1962	Hannan, James John	D: <u>Feb 8 2024 Annandale, Virginia</u> Cemetery: <u>Fairfax Memorial Park, Fairfax, Virginia</u> Source: Friend	(G2)
1965	Harrelson, Derrel McKinley	D: <u>Jan 10 2024 East Northport, New York</u> Cemetery: <u>Cremated</u> Source: NY Mets	(C1)
1890	Harrington, Jeremiah Peter	Debut: Apr <u>22</u> 1890 D: Apr <u>17</u> 1913 Source: Philadelphia Times, Keokuk Daily Gate City	(C1)
1887	Hemp, William H.	<u>BL</u> Source: Missouri Republican	(C1)
1892	Hess, Thomas Joseph	B: <u>Jan 16 1873</u> Source: WWI draft registration	(C1)
1915	Karst, John Gottlieb	Cemetery: <u>Sunset Memorial Park, Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania</u> Source: Cemetery	(C1)
1905	Koehler, Bernard James	Name: <u>Benard James Koehler</u> B: <u>Schondort, Germany</u> Source: Family tree, spelling correction	(L5)
1942	Kvasnak, Alexander	Use name: <u>Alex Kvasnak</u> Source: Newspaper accounts	(C1)
1957	Lassetter, Donald O'Neal	D: <u>Jan 22 2024 Clarksdale, Mississippi</u> Cemetery: <u>Oakridge Cemetery, Clarksdale, Mississippi</u> Source: Funeral home	(C1)
2011	Marrero, Christopher	<u>Cousin of Deven Marrero</u> Source: Boston Red Sox	(C1)
1997	Marrero, Elieser	<u>Uncle of Christopher Marrero and Deven Marrero</u> Source: Atlanta Braves	(C1)
1872	Martin, Alfred Dean	Cemetery: <u>Hillside Cemetery, Middletown,</u>	(C1)

		<u>New York</u> Source: New York death certificate index	
1962	Martinez, Rodolfo Hector	Name: Rodolfo Hector <u>(Santos) Martinez</u> D: <u>Dec 14 1999 Havana, Cuba</u> Source: Cuban historian	(C1)
1961	McBean, Alvin O'Neal	D: <u>Jan 31 2024 Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands</u> Cemetery: <u>Smith Bay Eastern Cemetery, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands</u> Source: Funeral home	(C1)
1904	McCormack, Michael Joseph	Name: Michael Joseph <u>McCormick</u> Source: Family	(C1)
1962	Menke, Denis John	Cemetery: <u>St. John's Cemetery, Bancroft, Iowa</u> Source: Family	(H9)
1908	Moran, John Herbert	Cemetery: <u>St. Eulalias Cemetery, Coudersport, Pennsylvania</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1901	Nelson, Raymond	Cemetery: <u>Ferncliff Cemetery, Hartsdale, New York</u> Buried as Raymond Nelson Kellogg Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1935	Ock, Harold David	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1925	Ogrodowski, Joseph Anthony	Cemetery: <u>Woodlawn Cemetery, Elmira, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1956	Oldham, John Hardin	D: <u>Feb 24 2024 San Jose, California</u> Source: Funeral home	(N5)
1998	Ortiz, Hector (Montanez)	D: <u>Feb 28 2024 Phoenix, Arizona</u> Cemetery: <u>Desert Hills Memorial Park, Scottsdale, Arizona</u> Source: Texas Rangers	(C1)
1974	Ott, Nathan Edward	D: <u>Mar 3 2024 Danville, Pennsylvania</u> Source: Williamsport Sun Gazette	(C1)
1890	Pitz, Herman	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1963	Pregenzer, John Arthur	D: <u>Jan 31 2024 Paris, Missouri</u> Source: Funeral home	(C1)
1953	Qualters, Thomas Francis	D: <u>Feb 15 2024 Somerset, Pennsylvania</u> Cemetery: <u>Listie Catholic Cemetery, Somerset, Pennsylvania</u> Source: Funeral home	(C1)
1955	Robinson, Humberto Valentino	D: <u>Sep 28 2009</u> Cemetery: <u>Pinelawn Memorial Park, East Farmingdale, New York</u> Source: Cemetery, SSDI	(W4)
1905	Rothgeb, Claude James	D: <u>Manitowoc Waters, Wisconsin</u> Source: Town correction	(L5)
1889	Scherer, Harry E.	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1900	Sheehan, Thomas Patrick	Cemetery: <u>Corozal American Cemetery,</u>	(C1)

		<u>Corozal, Panama, Panama</u> Source: Cemetery	
1924	Shepardson, Raymond Francis	Cemetery: <u>St. Mary's Cemetery, Herkimer, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1910	Simmons, George Washington	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1977	Staggs, Stephen Robert	D: <u>Jan 21 2024 Frisco, Texas</u> Cemetery: <u>Cremated</u> Source: Funeral home	(C1)
1966	Suarez, Kenneth Raymond	<u>Remove cemetery</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1955	Swanson, Arthur Leonard	D: <u>Jan 19 2024 Baton Rouge, Louisiana</u> Source: Funeral home	(C1)
1884	Sylvester, Louis J.	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1967	Thoenen, Richard Crispin	D: <u>Dec 21 2023 Harrisburg, Oregon</u> Cemetery: <u>IOOF Cemetery, Harrisburg, Oregon</u> Source: Funeral home	(C1)
1971	Thompson, Michael Wayne	D: <u>Oct 9 2022 Denver, Colorado</u> Source: Funeral home	(C1)
1965	Voss, William Edward	D: <u>Dec 28 2023 Cornville, Arizona</u> Cemetery: <u>Cremated, ashes scattered</u> Source: Daughter	(C1)
1888	Walker, George A.	B: <u>Feb 10 1856 Hamilton, Ontario</u> D: <u>May 26 1908 Hamilton, Ontario</u> Cemetery: <u>Hamilton Cemetery, Hamilton, Ontario</u> Source: Death certificate, Hamilton Spectator	(MC)
1875	Walker, Oscar	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1977	Washington, U.L.	D: <u>Mar 2 2024 Atoka, Oklahoma</u> Source: Funeral home	(C1)
1914	Watson, Arthur Stanhope	Cemetery: <u>St. Bernard Cemetery, Bradford, Pennsylvania</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
2023	Wells, Austin Kenneth	B: <u>Scottsdale, Arizona</u> Source: mlb	(C1)
1966	Williams, James Francis	D: <u>Jan 26 2024 Tarpon Springs, Florida</u> Source: Boston Red Sox	(C1)
1902	Winham, Lafayette Sharkey	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1873	Wordsworth, Favel Parry	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)
1871	Zettlein, George	Cemetery: <u>The Evergreens Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York</u> Source: Cemetery	(W4)