

Chapter 01260 **1887**

**ELLSWORTH OSBORN PIERCE**  
and **Marie Carmene Haskins**

Pine Brook NJ, Pittsford NY,  
Indiana and Baraboo, Wisconsin

**Andrew Pearce branch #6, generation #5.**

Ellsworth is the 2nd great grandson of Henry Pearce #1

Ellsworth is the same generation  
as cousin Charles Small Pierce.



9/19/2024


## Relationship: Henry PEARCE to Ellsworth Osborn PIERCE

Ellsworth Osborn PIERCE is the 2nd great grandson of Henry PEARCE


Self

	<b>Henry PEARCE</b> b: 7/25/1725 England d: 7/8/1788 Fairfield, NJ
	<b>Elizabeth Lucinda SPEAR</b> b: 5/6/1737 England d: 10/16/1814 Fairfield, NJ


Son

	<b>Andrew PEARCE</b> b: 11/10/1782 Fairfield, NJ d: 2/28/1859
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Grandson

	<b>Elisha PIERCE</b> b: 1/26/1817 NJ d: 5/16/1906
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Great grandson

	<b>Stephen Osborn PIERCE</b> b: 2/4/1850 NJ d: 4/19/1937 Detroit MI
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2nd great grandson

	<b>Ellsworth Osborn PIERCE</b> b: 8/15/1887 Pine Brook, NJ d: 11/13/1962
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**5th Generation**

The 1920 Federal Census shows Ellsworth age 22 single living with his sister Mrs. Bessie Amelia PIERCE Rugenstein and her husband Augustus Christian 'Gus' RUGENSTEIN at Pansy Street, Pittsford, Monroe County, New York. Not far from their parents.

Ellsworth was a street car motorman. I suppose trolley in town.

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Surviving are the husband, E. O. Pierce, a daughter Madalyene and a son Richard, both of Lansing; a sister Mrs Herbert White of Detroit and a brother Walter Haskins of E. Lansing.

Interment will be in Forest Lawn cemetery, Detroit  
Lansing State Journal (Lansing MI) 11/14/1951, Wed

She was a daughter of George and Hope Wilson Haskins. Marie was married three times

1st - George J Bink 9/4/1906, they divorced 5/21/1917.

2nd - Ernest Fenby 7/18/1917 and divorced him 12/5/1919.

3rd - Ellsworth O. Pierce who she married on 1/10/1920.



Mrs. Marie Carmene 'Rean'  
Haskins PIERCE 1888-1951 (63)

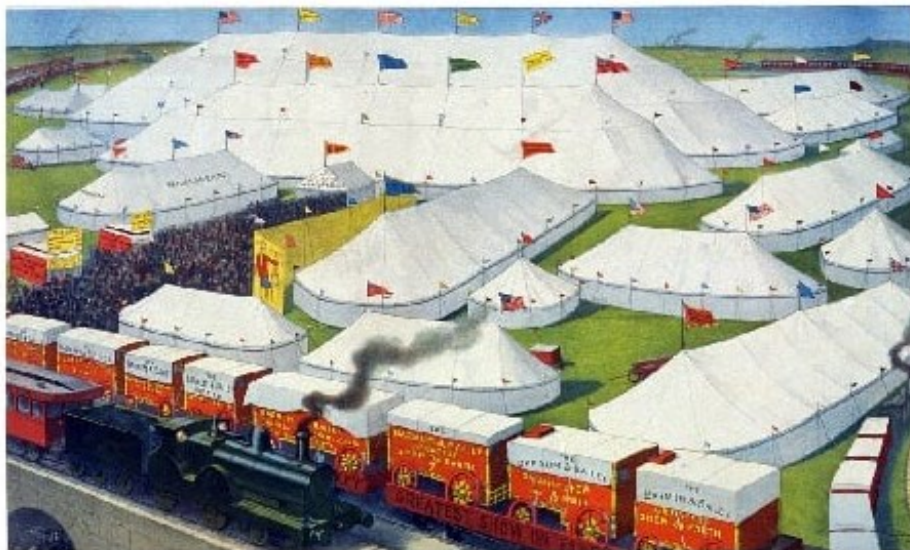
Wife of Ellsworth Osborn  
PIERCE 1887 - 1962 (75)

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and tight rope artist

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the Ringling Brothers circus under  
the professional name of Rean  
Carmene.

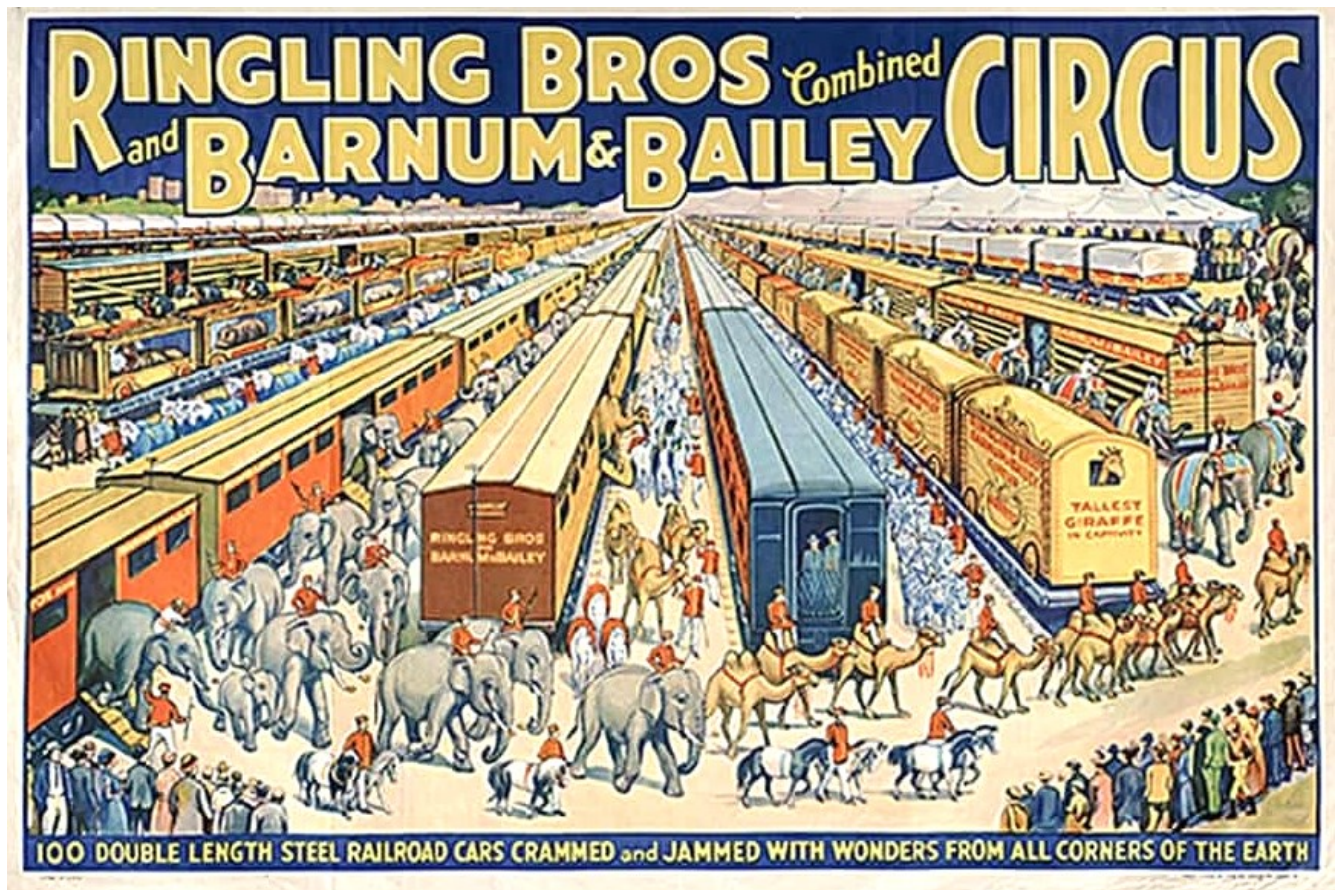
She also performed with her family  
in the circus at county fairs.

Children: **Madalyene PIERCE** and  
**Richard PIERCE** of Lansing  
Michigan



This circus had roots to Baraboo, Wisconsin.

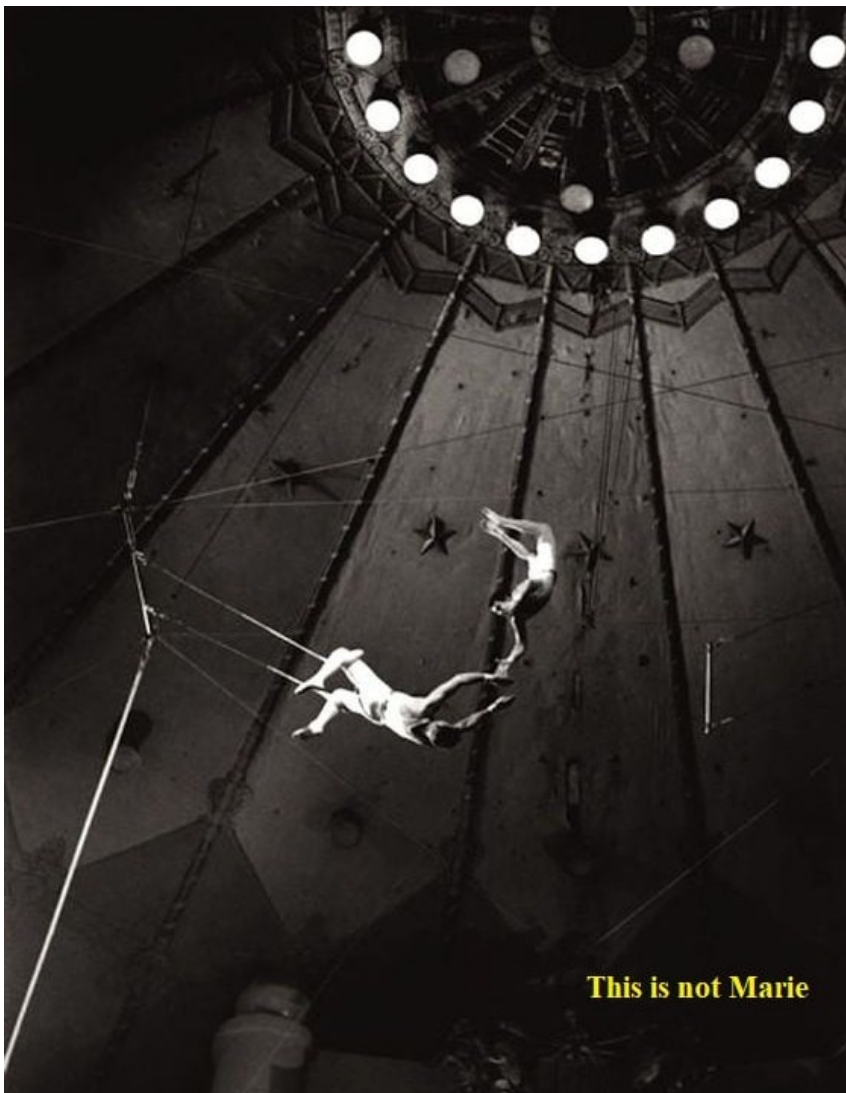




100 double length steel railroad cards.



Any fall  
nets ??



**This is not Marie**





Baraboo, Wisconsin setting up one of the Ringling Brothers tents.

## CIRCUS LIFE FROM THE INSIDE.

Dr. Riley, Circus Physician, Gives  
Some Interesting Facts.

"I served on the United States hospital corps through the Spanish-American war and put in two years' practice on the Panama canal," says Dr. F. J. Riley, the Chicago physician, "but the strangest years of my life have been the past six seasons I have served as head physician of Ringling Brothers' circus, which comes to Detroit, June 16.

"My duties as doctor in this unique city of tents are not arduous, though I am kept pretty busy with bruises and sprains and now and then a fractured bone. Circus folk are naturally healthy, but like the usual run of perfectly well people, they stand in the greatest fear of sickness. When they really are in need of medical attention, they show the least concern. I recall one aerialist who fell from the dome of the tent and on the way down tore great piece of flesh from his arm on a sharp steel projection on the lower rigging. He was pretty badly used up when they brought him into my tent. I suggested using co-



into my tent. I suggested using cocaine to deaden the pain. He laughed and said.

"Never mind the dope, Doc. Get busy. Tie that bum arm up with a piece of stiff canvas so I can work to-night."

"While I was sewing up his arm, he discussed his fall as calmly as though he were merely having his nails manicured.

"I was greatly surprised when I first joined the circus to find the people around me a good natured band of men and women possessing intelligence, culture and good common sense. They are for the most part

well-bred, and they profit by the advantages of extensive travel. Many of the men are college bred, having found their way into the circus through college athletics.

"I am far from the opinion that circus life is demoralizing. It offers fewer temptations than does a city. I believe a boy with **Ringling** Brothers' circus is in better hands than the average city boy. The benefit to a man's health cannot be estimated in words.

"It is impossible to comprehend the magnitude of this big institution till you have traveled with it for at least six months. It is like a city in itself.

"The show has its own police force, lawyers and various mechanics and artisans. In the circus hotel over 3,000 meals are cooked and eaten every day in the week. It is a more domestic life than the public thinks. We are like the snail not in respect of its speed by any means, but because we always carry our home around with us. We are a happy family, and quite contented."

**DETROIT--ONE DAY ONLY**

**THUR. JUNE 16**

**RINGLING  
BROTHERS**

**WORLD'S GREATEST SHOWS**

**\$3,200,000 CAPITAL**



**\$7500**

**DAILY  
EXPENSE**

**100 NEW CIRCUS  
FEATURES**

**LORCH FAMILY**

**1280**

**PERSONS**

**GREAT GERMAN ACROBATS**



**ROBLIDELLO**  
HIGH WIRE WIZARD

**ALEXIS FAMILY**  
EUROPEAN AERIALISTS

THE  
"HELLO" **ELEPHANTS**



**MANELLO-  
MARNITZ**  
Upside Down Acrobats

THE  
**DUTTONS**

Equestrian Trio

**DARWIN**

Chimpanzee Marvel

**50 CLOWNS**

**680**

**HORSES**

**85**

**RRCARS**

**375**

**CIRCUS**

**ARTISTS**

**6**

**ARENAS**

**125**

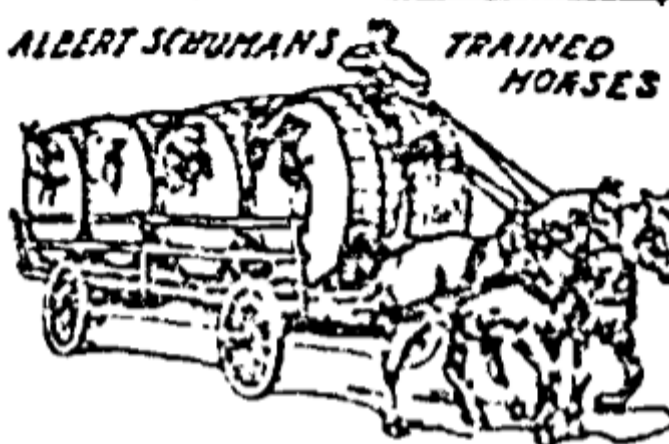
**ACTS**

**108**

**CAGE**

**ZOO**

**ALBERT SCHUMANS' TRAINED HORSES**



**PARADE AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.  
DOORS OPEN AT 1 AND 7 P. M.  
PERFORMANCES BEGIN AT 2 AND 9 P. M.  
ONE 50 CENT TICKET ADMITS TO ALL  
CHILDREN UNDER 12 HALF PRICE**

**40  
ELEPHANT  
ACTORS  
3  
BIG  
MILES  
OF  
PARADE**

Admission tickets and numbered reserved seats will be on sale show day at **SANDERS' PALACE OF SWEETS, 141-143 WOODWARD-AVE.,** at same price charged in ticket wagons on the show grounds

Form 1

## 4360 REGISTRATION CARD

No.

95

1

Name in full

Ellsworth Pierce

(Given name)

(Family name)

Age, in yrs.

29

2

Home address

506 Rohms Detroit Mich

(No.)

(Street)

(City)

(State)

3

Date of birth

Aug 15 1887

(Month)

(Day)

(Year)

4

Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your

intention (specify which)?

Natural Born

5

Where were you born?

Pine Brook New Jersey

(Town)

(State)

(Nation)

6

If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject?

7

What is your present trade, occupation, or office?

Motorman

8

By whom employed?

Detroit United Railway Co

Where employed?

Detroit

9

Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother under 12, solely dependent on you for

support (specify which)?

No

10

Married or single (which)?

Single

Race (specify which)?

Caucasian

11

What military service have you had? Rank

-

branch

years

Nation or State

12

Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)?

No

I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.

Ellsworth Pierce

(Signature of registrant)

If person is of African descent, fasten this corner



WW1 Private, AEF (American Expeditionary Force, 88th Division "Blue Devils", Division Troops, **313th Field Signal** Battalion SC, Company C.

The 313th Field Signal Battalion sailed 8/17/1917 on H. M. S. "Bohemia," which arrived in Liverpool, August 31st.

Ellsworth was an experienced trolley motorman.

**11/4/1936**

**Auto and Street Car Collide**  
Gordon Burraws, 41, of 665 Westchester Way, Birmingham, was injured seriously at 1:15 a. m. when he drove his car into a street car at Woodward Ave. and the State Fair Grounds. The street car was crossing the street and turning on to the loop when the accident happened, according to Ellsworth Pierce, 49, of 202 Avalon Ave., Highland Park, the motorman. Police say Burraw's car skidded 150 feet on the wet pavement before it struck the street car. He is in a serious condition in Redford Receiving Hospital.

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Ellsworth home on left.



**202 Avalon ave, Highland Park, Michigan**



**\$41,000 sell price in 2024. Property tax \$700 year.**



**WWI PFC CO B 313 FIELD SIG BN / WWI**

**ORIGINAL**

**339**

**1. NAME OF DECEASED—LAST—FIRST—MIDDLE (Print or type)**  
**PIERCE ELLSWORTH O.**

**2. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, Day, Year)**  
**JUNE 27-1917**

**3. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, Day, Year)**  
**February 3-1919**

**4. SERVICE NO.**  
**2138422**

**5. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NO.**

**6. STATE**  
**MICH**

**7. GRADE**  
**PFC Private**

**8. MEDALS**

**9. BRANCH OF SERVICE, COMPANY, REGIMENT, AND DIVISION OR SHIP**  
**CO B, 313 FLD SIG BN  
 FIELD SIGNAL BATTALION S.C.**

**10. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year)**  
**AUGUST 15-1887**

**11. DATE OF DEATH (Month, Day, Year)**  
**November 13-1962**

**12. EMBLEM (Check one)**  
☒ CHRISTIAN (Latin Cross)  
☐ HEBREW (Star of David)  
☐ NONE

**13. CHECK TYPE REQUIRED**  
☐ UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE  
☐ FLAT MARBLE MARKER  
☐ FLAT GRANITE MARKER  
☒ FLAT BRONZE MARKER

**14. SHIP TO (Name and address of person who will transport stone or marker to cemetery)**  
**Roseland Park Cemetery  
 Charles E. Howard Esq.**

**15. FREIGHT STATION**  
**Royal Oak-Mich**

**16. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (City and State)**  
**Roseland Park Cemetery  
 Berkley-Mich**

**17. THE APPLICANT FOR THIS STONE OR MARKER HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH ME TO TRANSPORT SAME TO THE CEMETERY.**  
**I hereby agree to accept responsibility for properly placing the stone or marker at the grave at no expense to the Government.**

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT**  
**Charles E. Howard**

**DATE**  
**Nov 20-62**

**DO NOT WRITE HERE**

**RECEIVED**

**VERIFIED**  
**JAN 14 1963**

**B/L**  
**7772**

**ORDERED**  
**JAMES H. MATTHEWS (304)  
 PITTSBURGH, PA.**

**18. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Print or type)**  
**HOWARD A. HURST  
 12700 Hamilton-Highland Park 3 Mich**

**19. This application is submitted for a stone or marker for the unmarked grave of a deceased member or former member of the Armed Forces of the United States, soldiers of Union and Confederate Armies of the Civil War.**

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT**  
**Howard A. Hurst**

**DATE**  
**Nov 20-62**

**DA FORM 1815** **1 JUN 57** **EDITION OF 1 AUG 56, IS OBSOLETE.** **IMPORTANT—Reverse Side Must Be Completed.** **16-11403-11 GPO** **8**

**\*Enlarge 2940 10 mar**



# Rene Pierce

## in the 1930 United States

1930

### Federal Census

#### Detail Source Discover

Name	Rene Pierce
Birth Year	abt 1888
Gender	Female
Race	White
Age in 1930	42
Birthplace	Michigan
Marital Status	Married
Relation to Head of House	Wife
Homemaker?	Yes
Home in 1930	Detroit, Wayne, Michigan

Map of Home	Detroit, Wayne, Michigan			
Street Address	Meldrum Ave			
Ward of City	15 Precinct 11 Pt of			
Block	343	Household Members (Name)	Age	Relationship
House Number	3625	Ellsworth Pierce	42	Head
Dwelling Number	205	Rene Pierce	42	Wife
Family Number	9	Madeline Pierce	8	Daughter
Lives on Farm	No	Buch Pierce	6	Son
Age at First Marriage	31	Stephen O Pierce	80	Father

**Rene or Marie, died 11/13/1951.**

Mrs. Marie Carmene  
'Rene' HASKINS Pierce.  
1888—1951.

Wife of Ellsworth Pierce.

Which nickname is correct? **Rene or Rean ??**

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# Retired Circus Aerialist Dies

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Funeral services will be held Friday at 11 a. m. from the Gorsline-Runciman funeral home, with Rev. Warren Brown of the Mt. Hope Avenue Methodist church officiating. Interment will be in Forest Lawn cemetery, Detroit.

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Husband of Madalyene Hope PIERCE.

## Durwood E. Hitchcock

Services for Durwood E. Hitchcock, 57, were held recently in Pontiac. A native of Portland and former resident of Lansing, Mr. Hitchcock died Jan. 20 in Pontiac where he had been living about 10 years. Surviving are his wife, Madalyenne; four sons, Wayne of Portland, Douglas and Larry, both of Grand Rapids and James of Pontiac three daughters, Mrs. Sharon Kirmann, Mrs. Sandra Workman, both of Grand Rapids and Marjorie at home; his mother, Mrs. Edith O. Holtz of Phoenix, Ariz.; two sisters also living in Phoenix and 12 grandchildren.

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Thu, 1/29/1970 ·Page 2

5/1943. **Richard Van Ness** Pierce, age 19, **WW2 Marine**.  
Off to war. Serial number 36464907.

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# Ingham's Draft Boards Sending 120 Men to Army Service Friday

Ingham county's latest draft contingent will leave Friday from Lansing and Mason for service with the armed forces. Approximately 120 men scheduled to leave from the four boards at this time are among 168 who recently qualified for service following physical examinations at the Kalamazoo induction center.

★ Richard VanNess Pierce, 306 Isbell street. Lansing, Michigan

**WW2 Marine. Enlisted 5/14/1943 at Kalamazoo Michigan.  
Mustered out 1/19/1946.**

son of Ellsworth Osborn **PIERCE** and Marie Carmene Haskins

Richard Pierce's WW2 Draft Card. I wonder why Richard describes his mother as Mrs Marie Carmene instead of Pierce?

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after January 1, 1922 and on or before June 30, 1924)

SERIAL NUMBER N 249-A	1. NAME (Print) RICHARD VAN NESS PIERCE (First) (Middle) (Last)			ORDER NUMBER V13,719-A
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print) 306 Isbell Lansing INGHAM MICH (Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)				
[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]				
3. MAILING ADDRESS Same (Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same)				
4. TELEPHONE 93040	5. AGE IN YEARS 19 DATE OF BIRTH 6-23-23 (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)		6. PLACE OF BIRTH Detroit (Town or county) (State or country)	
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS Mrs Marie Carmene - Same address				
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS J S George 214 Washington Ave S. (No 70)				
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)				
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.				
D. S. S. Form 1 (Revised 6-1-42)		(over) 016-21630-3 Richard VanNess Pierce (Registrant's signature)		

7/24/2024 I don't know Richard's military unit.