

Roy Clinton Hanson

On July 21st, 1885, Roy Hanson was born to Charles and Hilda Hanson in Hastings, Minnesota. Roy was one of many siblings. His younger brother Karl also served in WWI. Roy went to school in Hastings and went to high school through his third year. By the year 1910, at the age of 25, Roy was married to Marie Hanson and had a daughter also named Marie. Their daughter went by her middle name Lucille for the majority of her life. By 1914, they had two more daughters named Magdalene and Mildred. Roy was the co-owner of a clothing store in Hastings with his cousin John Hanson.

Roy enlisted into the Navy on April 9th, 1917. He served as a Chief Yeoman (completed clerical and administrative tasks) on the U.S.S. Walk. When he returned from the war, he continued to work for the Navy as a recruiter with the rank of Chief Petty Officer. While he was a recruiter, he lived with his family at 280 West 6th Street in Hastings. He was discharged from the military on September 27th, 1923.

By the year 1930, Roy and his family moved to 3653 Stevens Ave S in Minneapolis, where Roy worked as a fireman for the city of Minneapolis. By 1940, Lucille and Mildred had gotten married. Magdalene attended business college and was working as a private secretary for a law firm. On January 15th, 1942, at the age of 32, Magdalene died after suffering from an illness for two years. On October 22nd, 1965, 27 years after his middle daughter died, Roy passed away. He was 80 years old. He was buried in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Cemetery in Hastings, Minnesota.



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