

Ivan Victor Issacs

Ivan Issacs was born on December 4th, 1898, to Louis and Alta Issacs in Blooming Prairie, Minnesota. Ivan was one of seven sons. His two brothers Felix and Urban, also served during WWI. His father worked as a teacher, eventually becoming the Superintendent.

Ivan joined the Navy in 1917 and was stationed on a Naval Hospital Ship in Portsmouth, Virginia, in June of 1918. The extent of his military career is not well documented through publicly available documents.

As of 1920, Ivan was living with his parents and working as a clerk. Later that year, he moved to Miles City, Montana, where he worked as a renovator. On June 14th, 1922, Ivan married Alta Cromwell in Bozeman, Montana. They had their first daughter, Elizabeth Janie (Betty), on April 9th, 1923, while living in Helena, Montana. Ivan worked as a Vocational Student at Fort Harrison, where he was living. Alta lived off of the base near Broadwater, Montana. They had two more daughters while living there. Alta May was born on November 28th, 1926, and Francis Louise was born on March 14th, 1929.

At some point between 1929 and 1937, Ivan and Alta divorced. Ivan married Hortensia Avandano Fuentes on October 12th, 1937, in Tijuana, Mexico. 1940 Census records show Ivan living with Hortensia and his three daughters in National City, California, working as a salesman for Hoover. Ivan retired from Hoover in 1955 and moved to Long Beach, California. Ivan died on May 25th, 1965, at the age of 66.