Henry Emsile Amos

Henry Emsile Amos was born 25 Jan 1898 at Fort Snelling, Minnesota to Franklin Frederick Amos (1865-1938) and Annie Carew Marshall (born 1874 in Scotland, died 1944). His siblings were William, Franklin, Harry and Donald.

Henry Amos served as a Sergeant in the U.S. 31st Infantry Regiment. This regiment of the U.S. Army was nicknamed the "Polar Bears" and was formed in 1916 in Manila, the Philippines. During the Russian Revolution, on 13 August 1918, the 31st moved from Manila to Siberia as part of the American Expeditionary Force. Their main role was protecting the Trans-Siberian Railroad and dissuading the Japanese from taking control of Russian territory. We do not know much about Henry's service record, but there is a WWI bonus file (warrant number 101891) at Minnesota Historical Society which may contain additional details.

Henry married Margaret England on 31 Jan 1925 at Council Bluffs, Iowa. Henry listed his occupation as U.S. Army. He married second to Lilley Mae Athey (1905-1964) on 27 March 1927 in Montgomery County, Texas. Their daughter Fannie Frances Amos was born 15 Apr 1929 in Cook County, Illinois. By 1930 Henry was living in Houston, Texas. In 1942 when he registered for the WWII draft, he was living in Houston, Texas and his occupation was selling newspapers. However, his Texas death certificate says that he was a retired policeman for the Houston Police Department. There is also a marriage record for Henry and Mrs. Lillie May Sehou in Harris County, Texas on 20 Sept 1950. Henry died 14 Feb 1966 at Lufkin, Angelina County, Texas at age 68 of a coronary occlusion. He is buried at Mount Hope Cemetery in Wells, Texas.