

Katherine Susan Bittell

1862 Katherine was born 24 January in Erie County, New York
Daughter of Balser & Sophia Bittell

1870 Katherine was age 8 on the 1870 Census, listing of Balser Bittell, in
Richfield Twp. Genesee Co., Michigan Roll 671 Book 2 Page 365a
[Genealogy.com Family Archive Image 2]

1875 Katherine, age 13, married John Henry Glen Nov 1875 per the
Bittell/Yager Family Reunion papers. Where did they marry? Would she
really get married that young?

1880 Kate Bidell, age 19, single, a servant, born in New York, father in H
Darmstadt, mother in Baden is on the 1880 Census, listing of Marshall
Hartwig, in the City of Buffalo, Erie Co., New York Roll 828 Book 1 Page
165a [Genealogy.com Family Archive Image 100]

I believe this is Katherine because of the age given and her parents born in
Germany. It also states she is single, so she must not have married in 1875 at
the age of 13. If Katherine is in New York in 1880 it is feasible she met John H
Glenn and married in New York. [I checked 1880 found John Glen age 21 in
Covert, Seneca, New York. How do we prove he is the right one?]

[Check 1900 Census in New York for John Henry Glenn & Katherine Glenn.]

1900 unknown at this time. Katherine & John could possibly in New York.

1909 The OLD LADIES HOME opened Oct 1. Katherine was listed
as an original resident of the home.

1910 Katherine Glenn, a lodger, age 47, widow, had 3
children and none of them living, born in New York,
parents born in Germany listed with [name unreadable]
on the 1910 Census in Detroit, Wayne Co. Michigan.
Roll 681 Book 2 Page 93a [Genealogy.com Family Archive
Image 185]

[My mother, Alice Bittell told me Katherine was a seamstress for a physician in
Detroit. Can't read the head of household's occupation]

1920 I found the listing for Anna Botsford Bach Home and Katherine was not
listing in that home. Roll 799 Book 2, Page 107a, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw
County, Michigan
[Genealogy.com Family Archive Image 31]

1930 Katherine S. Glenn age 76, inmate, widow, can read & write, born in New York, parents born in Germany, speaks English, is listed in the 1930 Census of the Anna Botsford Bach Home dated 26 April 1930 in Ann Arbor Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan. Roll 1029 Book 2, Page 95a [Genealogy.com Family Archive Image 21].

1935 Katherine Susan (Bittell) Glenn died 15 August 1935.

Obituary - GLENN FUNERAL IS HELD HERE SUNDAY

Many relatives and friends attended the funeral services held at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon for Mrs. Katherine Glenn, 72-year-old Ann Arbor woman, who died Friday. The services were held at the home of her brother, M. L. Bittell, four miles north of Owosso. The Rev. James Irby, pastor of the Henderson Church of Christ, conducted the service. Interment was made in the Easton Cemetery.

A coincidence of the funeral was that the Bittell-Yager reunion, which was organized six years ago largely through the efforts of Mrs. Glenn, was to have been held yesterday at the Bittell home. Mrs. Glenn was the oldest member of the family. Plans had been completed for the reunion when word of Mrs. Glenn's death was received.

Nephews and grand-nephews acted as pall bearers, while grand-nieces served as flower girls. Mrs. Glenn was known in Owosso and the surrounding community through visits she had made here with relatives. [The obituary is a newspaper clipping adhered to the 1935 report by sec. Maudie Augustine and is in the black notebook titled THE BITTELL/YAGER FAMILY REUNION 1929-1942. Newspaper unknown, could be the Argus Press in Owosso, Michigan]

1935--The seventh annual reunion... "in loving remembrance & tender memorial we laid our beloved aunt Kate to her final rest, on Sunday, August 18, 1935. Sixty-eight relatives & numerous friends, gathered to pay respect, at the home of Uncle Matt. [brother] In the beginning our reunion was the planning of Aunt Kate, & she had been able to attend every one....She had beautiful flowers, carried tenderly by her tiny grandnieces, whom she loved. Viola, Marjorie & Katharine Bittell, Lois Ann, Shirley & Barbara Penabaker, Maxine & Elaine Dick. ...sec. Maudie Augustine.

[kk note: I remember the casket was in Grandpa's living room and the double doors leading into the front hall were open. When Barbara Penabaker walked thru the doors and saw Aunt Kate in the casket, she screamed. Everyone ran to see what was the matter. They had not told her about Aunt Kate but she had never seen death before. Barbara was eight years old in February, 1935 and I would be 9 years old in December, 1935.]