

Amanda Bakke

When Amanda Bakke was born on February 28 1888, in Marsh Grove, Minnesota, her father, Peder, was 30, and her mother, Agneta, was 29. She had two brothers and six sisters. She died in 1983 in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, at the age of 95.

Amanda married Arthur Lewis on April 10, 1926, in Los Angeles, CA. They lived in Los Angeles, After Amanda became a widow, she and her sister Ida returned to Minnesota.



I have not been able to find any information on Arthur Lewis, other than he was in the Navy. The photo on the left is of their wedding day. Amanda and Arthur had no children.

Amanda lived in Thief River Falls, MN after returning from California. I don't remember much about her other than a time she came to the farm to pick juneberries. I was pretty young and, of course, she was old and not very happy.

Amanda died in February 1983 and is buried in the Oak Grove Cemetery near Newfolden, MN. Here is her marker showing only year of birth and year of death.



Les Bakke remembers: I never knew Arthur Lewis; they separated before I was born. I do remember that Amanda lived in Thief River Falls, MN after returning from California and she did visit her brother, my father, many times. I do remember that she and her older sister Ida came in the summer to pick berries for canning. Of course, Larry and I ate more than we picked for canning. I remember that I liked Ida more than Amanda.