

ERICKSON-ROODE

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Gus and Frances Erickson rented a house at **2081 Bassett Avenue**, Baychester, Bronx, New York.¹

Gus Oscar Erickson was born in New York on Nov. 30, 1913², son of **Oscar and Anna Erickson**. **Francis Beulah Roode** was born in New York on July 7, 1917³, daughter of **Edward E. Roode** and **Beulah Glew**. **Gus Erickson** and **Frances Roode** married November 29, 1939 in the Bronx, New York City, New York.

In 1940 Gus worked as a trucking contractor and Frances worked as a waitress in a restaurant.¹ By 1950 they had moved to a different house in Baychester at **2324 Hunter Avenue**, and Gus worked as a carpenter doing ship repairs.⁴

They became owner/operators of the famous Gus's Barge, on the waterfront in Baychester. Gus also rented, repaired, and built boats. Gus and Frances sold Gus's Barge around 1961. The water where the barge sat was filled in and eventually became part of Section Five of Co-Op City.

In 1958 Gus and Frances purchased property in Putnam County, New York, where they eventually moved.⁵ **Gus Erickson** died in January 1982 in Putnam, New York.² His wife **Frances Erickson** died on September 19, 1995 in Putnam, New York.³ Their burial place has not been identified yet.

¹ "United States Census, 1940," database with images, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/KQM8-FTP> : accessed 6 July 2018), Gus Erickson, Assembly District 6, Bronx, New York City, Bronx, New York, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) 3-788, sheet 2B, line 77, family 46, Sixteenth Census of the United States, 1940, NARA digital publication T627. Records of the Bureau of the Census, 1790 - 2007, RG 29. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 2012, roll 2480.

² WWII Draft Registration, 1940

³ SSDI

⁴ 1950 US Census

⁵ NY Land Records