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George Christopher Fellows and **Violet (Stark) Fellows** and their two daughters rented a house at **2200 Palmer Avenue**, Baychester, Bronx, New York in 1940.¹ George and Violet also lived there in 1935, presumably right when they got married. This house was a corner house, at Palmer and Bassett Avenues.

George Christopher Fellows was born in the Bronx on May 26, 1909², son of New York native **Edward Fellows** and **Lena Umberg** (an immigrant from Switzerland). His father Edward, who was born and raised in New York, worked as a railroad mechanic his entire life. Edward's wife, Lena Umberg, emigrated from Switzerland in 1894 at age 19, married Edward in 1901 in New York, and had five children, one died, raising four children. George was their third child. George grew up at 251 East 153rd Street, what is known as the South Bronx today. After his father died in 1930, George's mother eventually moved in with her daughter **Mildred Lenihan's** family, which is where we find **Lena Fellows** in 1938³.

Violet Stark was born about 1912 in New York, the daughter of **Walter Stark** and **Elsie Banta**, both New York natives. Her father Walter was a well-known boat builder. Violet grew up in Baychester at **2211 Boller Avenue**.

George C Fellows married **Violet Stark** around 1935, and they lived at **2200 Palmer Avenue** in Baychester, two blocks from where Violet grew up. George supported his family by being an architect.¹ George and Violet raised three daughters: **Marilyn, Carole, and Virginia**. The youngest daughter was the author's sister's friend in Baychester in the 1950s and 1960s, who remain friends now in 2018.

After leaving the Bronx some time after the 1960s, **George and Violet Fellows** moved to Pelham, Westchester County, New York. **George Fellows** died in June 1971⁴. It is not known where he might be buried.

¹ "United States Census, 1940," database with images, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/KQM8-88G> : accessed 6 July 2018), George Fellows, Assembly District 6, Bronx, New York City, Bronx, New York, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) 3-788, sheet 1A, line 3, family 2, 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 "New York, New York City Births, 1846-1909," database, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/2W8C-XD9> : 11 February 2018), George Christopher Fellows, 26 May 1909; citing Manhattan, New York, New York, United States, reference cn 3786 New York Municipal Archives, New York; FHL microfilm 2,023,264.

³ "New York, New York Passenger and Crew Lists, 1909, 1925-1957," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/2424-M7H> : 12 March 2018), Lena Fellows, 1938; citing Immigration, New York, New York, United States, NARA microfilm publication T715 (Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.).

⁴ "United States Social Security Death Index," database, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/JT1V-J36> : 20 May 2014), George Fellows, Jun 1971; citing U.S. Social Security Administration, Death Master File, database (Alexandria, Virginia: National Technical Information Service, ongoing).

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Some time after the 1971 death of George Fellows, Violet married a second time to **Marsh Giddings**. **Violet (Stark) Fellows Giddings** died in 1984 in Ft. Myers, Florida and is buried in The Bronx, New York⁵.

⁵ Obituary, The Journal News, published Mar. 6, 1984 in White Plains, NY