

HARTNAGEL-PLUSENSKY

Valentine Jacob Hartnagel and his wife **Mary (Plusensky) Hartnagel** lived in Baychester, Bronx, New York at **2306 Boller Avenue** in the 1920s¹, 1930s² and 1940s³. The Hartnagels were also known by the author's cousins to be in Baychester in the 1950s and 1960s. They married on December 28, 1920 in Manhattan, New York City, New York.

Valentine Hartnagel was born on April 2, 1891 in Manhattan, New York City, New York, the son of New York natives **John Hartnagel** and **Katie Baier**.⁴ He was the sixth of nine children, and grew up in Manhattan. As an adult he worked as an ornamental iron worker in the building industry. I imagine seeing him making all the curlicues we see on gates, handrails, etc. He bought the house at 2306 Boller Avenue in the 1920's, probably when he got married in 1920, and was probably the original owner.

Valentine and Mary raised three children in Baychester: **Lawrence, Edna, and Joseph**.³ Valentine lived there his entire life until he died in February 1968, at age 77.⁵ He is buried in Saint John Cemetery, Middle Village, Queens, New York.⁶

Mary Plusenski was born about 1898 in Manhattan, New York City, New York, the daughter of Hungarian immigrants **Michael Plusenski** and **Annie Klander**.⁷ Mary was the fourth of six children. She grew up in Manhattan, until she married and moved to Baychester, Bronx, New York.

¹ New York State Census, 1925," database, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:MM9.1.1/KSM1-L49> : 8 November 2014), Valantine Hartnagel, New York, A.D. 06, E.D. 12, Bronx, New York, United States; records extracted by Ancestry and images digitized by FamilySearch; citing p. 15, line 09, New York State Archives, Albany.

² United States Census, 1930," database with images, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:MM9.1.1/X767-X2Q> : accessed 16 April 2018), Valentine Hartnagel, Bronx (Districts 751-972), Bronx, New York, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) ED 865, sheet 6A, line 1, family 25, NARA microfilm publication T626 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 2002), roll 1480; FHL microfilm 2,341,215.

³ United States Census, 1940," database with images, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:MM9.1.1/KQM8-FTY> : accessed 16 April 2018), Valentine Hartnagel, Assembly District 6, Bronx, New York City, Bronx, New York, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) 3-788, sheet 5A, line 2, family 48, 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.

⁴ "New York, New York City Births, 1846-1909," database, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:MM9.1.1/2W9S-GS7> : 11 February 2018), Valentine Hartnagel, 02 Apr 1891; citing Manhattan, New York, New York, United States, reference cn 17911 New York Municipal Archives, New York; FHL microfilm 1,322,245.

⁵ United States Social Security Death Index

⁶ Find A Grave Memorial# 161886019

⁷ United States Census, 1920," database with images, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:MM9.1.1/MJYR-9KP> : accessed 4 May 2018), Anna Pulsensky in household of Michael Pulsensky, Manhattan Assembly District 8, New York, New York, United States; citing ED 602, sheet 7A, line 38, family 134, NARA microfilm publication T625 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1992), roll 1199; FHL microfilm 1,821,199

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At some point Mary, a widow, moved out of Baychester, Bronx, NY. **Mary Hartnagel** died on July 13, 1985 in Danbury, Fairfield, Connecticut.⁸ Her residence at that time was 738 Turk Hill Road, Brewster, Putnam, New York. It is unknown where she is buried.

⁸ "Connecticut Death Index, 1949-2001," database, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:VZP1-FJ5> : 9 December 2014), Mary Hartnagel, 13 Jul 1985; from "Connecticut Death Index, 1949-2001," database, Ancestry (<http://www.ancestry.com> : 2003); citing Danbury, , Connecticut, Connecticut Department of Health, Hartford.