

## PEARSALL-MORSTATT

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**Charles Joseph Pearsall** and **Katherine Morstatt** were married on December 13, 1929 in the Bronx, New York.<sup>1</sup> They lived together in Baychester at **2323 Palmer Avenue** in 1930,<sup>2</sup> next door to Katherine's father John and brother George. By 1940 Charles and Katherine and their three children moved out of Baychester to 434 Taylor Avenue,<sup>3</sup> in the Harding Park area of the Bronx, New York.

**Charles Joseph Pearsall** was born in The Bronx, New York on March 2, 1906,<sup>4</sup> the son of **William Henry Pearsall**, a native New Yorker, and **Annie Becker**, a German immigrant. He grew up in the Fordham Heights area of the Bronx.<sup>5</sup> He was a last of six children.

**Katherine Morstatt** was born in New York about 1911, the daughter of **John Morstatt** and **Louise Marth**, both German immigrants. She grew up in the Pelham Bay area of the Bronx, New York.<sup>6</sup> She was the last of three children.

Charles and Katherine had three children, all born in the 1930s: **Joan, Charles,** and **William**. Charles supported his family as a truck driver. By 1940 they had moved out of Baychester, their house being taken by the City of New York for the Bruckner Expressway expansion and exit ramp.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> New York, New York, Extracted Marriage Index, 1866-1937

<sup>2</sup> "United States Census, 1930," database with images, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:X767-L83> : accessed 31 August 2018), Charles Parsall, Bronx (Districts 751-972), Bronx, New York, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) ED 864, sheet 4A, line 6, family , NARA microfilm publication T626 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 2002), roll 1480; FHL microfilm 2,341,215.

<sup>3</sup> "United States Census, 1940," database with images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:K3TG-TS1> : 7 January 2021), Charles Pearsall, The Bronx, New York City, New York, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) 3-1021, sheet 6A, line 12, family 132, 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 2486.

<sup>4</sup> "New York, New York City Births, 1846-1909," database, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:2W81-1LD> : 11 February 2018), Charles Joseph Pearsall, 02 Mar 1906; citing Manhattan, New York, New York, United States, reference 3254 New York Municipal Archives, New York; FHL microfilm 2,023,141.

<sup>5</sup> "United States Census, 1920", database with images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MJPF-4ZZ> : 2 February 2021), Charles Piersall in entry for William H Piersall, 1920.

<sup>6</sup> "United States Census, 1920", database with images, FamilySearch (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MJPC-LX7> : 7 May 2021), Barbara Ahlers in entry for Hurb Ahlers, 1920.

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Daughter Joan Pearsall died in 1990.<sup>7</sup> The whereabouts of her brothers Charles and William are unknown.

**Charles Joseph Pearsall** died on January 16, 1980 in Pinellas, Florida.<sup>8</sup> It is not confirmed where he might be buried. It is unknown what happened to **Katherine Pearsall**.

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<sup>7</sup> US SS Applications and Claims Index

<sup>8</sup> "Florida Death Index, 1877-1998," database, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:VV47-FJD> : 25 December 2014), Charles J Pearsall, 16 Jan 1980; from "Florida Death Index, 1877-1998," index, Ancestry ([www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com) : 2004); citing vol. , certificate number 8063, Florida Department of Health, Office of Vital Records, Jacksonville.