

Mike Biberstine

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Mike was born on December 21, 1885 in the French township in Berne, Indiana. He was the son of Abraham B Biberstine III and Mary Moser. He drafted into the military for WWI and WWII. Mike was a carpenter. Mike married Martha Neuenschwander in Vera Cruz on August 14, 1909 when he was just the age of 23. Mike and Martha had 5 children; Mable, Marie, Norman, and Orvena. They also had a son named Orval who died at age 6 of dropsy, or congestive heart failure. The family went to the Assembly of God and also Calvery Temple in Fort Wayne. Mike was very religious. Mike donated property to build a church on Elm Street in Decatur, Indiana. Mike died at the age of 74 in Decatur, Indiana on May 16, 1960. Mike is buried at the Mennonite Cemetery west of Berne.

Beard Family Tree, Ancestry.com, online, <<http://trees.ancestry.com/>>

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