

**Frederick Theodore Rohlfs – US Army Quartermaster Corps, WW II**  
died instantly in an automobile accident near Lorimer, Iowa  
interred in Graceland Cemetery, Avoca, Iowa

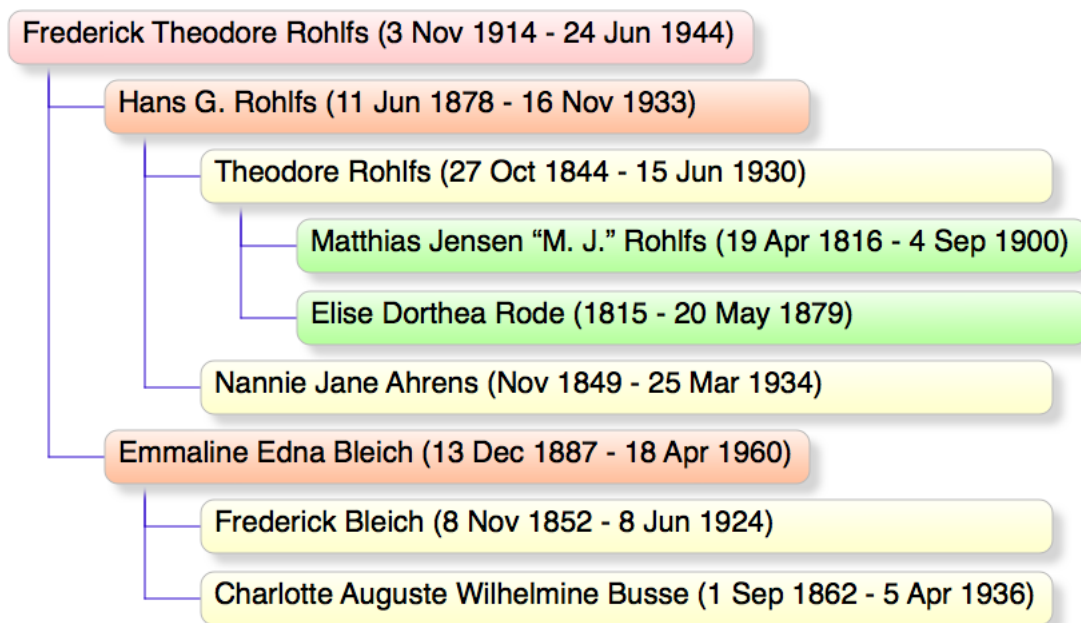
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Frederick T. Rohlfs was born and raised in Avoca and ordained as a Presbyterian clergyman. In 1939, he married Thelma Lewis of Calvin, North Dakota. He was serving at Afton, Iowa, southwest of Des Moines, when he joined the US Army in June 1941. He was on reserve status at the time of his death, about ten miles northeast of Afton.

Thelma Rohlfs remained in Avoca and raised her children as a single mother. In 1982, Thelma married Edward Kennedy, a widower from Avoca.

**Known ancestors of Frederick T. Rohlfs** (updated 13 Jul '18):



In 1847, Frederick Theodore Rohlfs' great-grandfather, Matthias Jensen Rohlfs, was an early German immigrant to Davenport, Iowa, which at one time later was thought to be the most Germany city in the United States.

### The parents and siblings of Frederick T. Rohlfs:

Hans G. Rohlfs (11 Jun 1878 - 16 Nov 1933)  
& Emmaline Edna Bleich (13 Dec 1887 - 18 Apr 1960)  
m. 13 Apr 1910, Pott. Co., IA

Helena Charlotte Rohlfs (3 Jun 1911 - Aug 1975)  
& Elmer Earl Pfister (abt 1905 - )  
m. 25 Apr 1934, Avoca, Pott. Co., IA

Frederick Theodore Rohlfs (3 Nov 1914 - 24 Jun 1944)  
& Thelma Jane Lewis (31 Dec 1915 - 26 Aug 2010)  
m. 9 Apr 1939, Avoca, Pott. Co., IA

Edward H. Rohlfs (22 Aug 1916 - 29 Mar 2011)  
& Geneva Hand (4 Sep 1917 - 20 Apr 2010)

### The children of Frederick T. Rohlfs (Edward is deceased):

Frederick Theodore Rohlfs & Thelma Jane Lewis

Frederick George Rohlfs

Edward Lewis Rohlfs & Joan F. Graves