

“Daddy Miles”

For purposes of the Hugo’s Settler brochure series, an early Hugo settler includes anyone who lived, work-ed, or owned property there sometime from 1900 through the 1930s.



George Augustine Miles

Born: December 2, 1861 Indiana
Died: February 9, 1936 Josephine Co., OR
Father’s Birth Place: Mississippi
Mother’s Birth Place: Mississippi

Robert Wilson

Born: 1865
Birth Place: California
Father’s Birth Place: Illinois
Mother’s Birth Place: Illinois

1918 George Miles came into Oregon and Josephine County around 1918 and engaged in mining during his residence there.¹

He came from a large family of several brothers and sisters, some of whom preceded him in death. While he had followed the mining business more closely than any other, he was a skilled butcher and a barber in his younger years. During his life he had suffered several severe accidents which impaired his health in later years.¹

George Miles, Hugo Settler Settler: ca., 1918 - 1936

1920 Census. Lucky Queen Precinct, Josephine County, Oregon

George Miles	Head	UT	1861	59 yrs
Robert Wilson	Partner	CA	1865	55 yrs

George and Robert are both hard rock miners.

Among George’s many friends and neighbors he was known as “Daddy Miles” and was held in high esteem because of his pleasant disposition and unusually friendly and helpful ways. While he remained a single man all his life his friends remembered him as a kindly and fatherly man.¹

1930 Census. Lucky Queen Precinct, Josephine County, Oregon

George A Miles	Head	IN	1862	68 yrs
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George’s occupation was miner and prospector.

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1935 In October he suffered a paralytic stroke which was the primary cause which later led to his death.¹

Hard Rock Miner

1936 Seventy-four year old George A. Miles passed February 9, 1936.²

He passed away at the home of P. J. McDonald, on Jumpoff Joe Creek at the age of 74 years. Among living relatives was a brother, Andrew Miles of Billings, Montana and a sister, Maggie Alexander of Lexington, Nebraska. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. John B. Coan pastor of the Newman Methodist Church in Grants Pass. Burial was in the Pleasant Valley Cemetery.¹

Card Of Thanks¹ In behalf of absent relatives and also for ourselves, we wish to thank the many neighbors and friends, both of Daddy Miles and our own who were so good in giving their help and sympathy to us and to him at the time of his passing from our midst. By Mr. and Mrs. Paul McDonald and Genevieve.

Pleasant Valley Cemetery³

Miles, George A.	b. 1861	d. 2/9/1936
Miles, James R.	b.	d.
Miles, Manley L.	b. 1910	d. 1987

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1. *Rogue River Courier*. 1936. Obituary – George A. Miles. Grants Pass, OR.

2. Oregon Death Index, 1903-98. Internet.

3. Internet.net. October 22, 2007. *Pleasant Valley Cemetery, Hugo, Josephine County, Oregon*. Contributed by Jean Boling.

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Its history mission is to educate, collect, preserve, interpret, and research its local history and to encourage public interest in the history of the Hugo area.

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