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## Hugo's Early Settler

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

### John Earl Peterson

Born: 1886  
Birth Place: Washington  
Father's Birth Place: Sweden  
Mother's Birth Place: Canada

**1887** John's family was located in Leland, Oregon by 1887 where his father, Daniel, was a Section Foreman for the Southern Pacific Railroad.

### 1900 Census. Leland Precinct , Josephine Co., OR

Daniel Peterson	Head	Sweden	1855	45 yrs
Rosana Peterson	Wife	Can.	1862	38 yrs
David Peterson	Son	NE	1883	17 yrs
Joseph Peterson	Son	WA	1885	15 yrs
John E. Peterson	Son	WA	1886	14 yrs
Roy W. Peterson	Son	OR	1888	12 yrs
Iva E. Peterson	Dau	OR	1889	11 yrs
Daniel E. Peterson	Son	OR	1891	9 yrs
Henry H. Peterson	Son	OR	1896	4 yrs
Helena Peterson	Dau	OR	1899	1 yr

John's father, David's, occupation was railroad section boss. The family eventually specialized in peaches and apples. The *Hugo Heights Fruit Farm*, and other orchards, in Hugo would become famous for their fruit.<sup>2</sup>

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## Single John Peterson, Hugo Settler: 1900 - 1972

### 1910 Census. Merlin Precinct , Josephine Co., OR

Daniel Peterson	Head	Sweden	1857	53 yrs
Rosana Peterson	Wife	Can.	1861	49 yrs
David Peterson	Son	NE	1884	26 yrs
Joseph Peterson	Son	WA	1886	24 yrs
John E. Peterson	Son	WA	1887	23 yrs
Roy W. Peterson	Son	OR	1889	21 yrs
Iva E. Peterson	Dau	OR	1890	20 yrs
David Peterson	Son	OR	1891	19 yrs
Henry H. Peterson	Son	OR	1896	14 yrs
Helena Peterson	Dau	OR	1899	11 yrs
Louisa Peterson	Dau	OR	1902	8 yrs

David's occupation was practicing general farming. Sons David and Joseph were carpenters working on railroad bridge gangs. Roy and Iva were home farming..

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## Farm Laborer

**1913** John's mother, Rosanna Eggenberger Peterson, passed September 25, 1913.

**1920** John and Henry Peterson motored to Grants Pass Tuesday on business. *Rogue River Courier*. April 16, 1920. Hugo.

### 1930 Census. Lucky Queen, Josephine Co., OR

John E. Peterson	Head	WA	1886	44 yrs
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John's occupation was laborer doing farm work.

**1944** John's father, Daniel Emanuel Peterson Sr., passed.

**1972 Social Security Death Index** Single John Earl Peterson passed in June 1972 in Josephine County, Oregon.

**Want more information?** Contact an officer of the *Hugo Neighborhood* on how you can become involved in your community's history and land use.

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1. Metsker, Chas. F. *1932 Metsker Map. Josephine County, Oregon*. Portland, OR.

2. Hugo Neighborhood. January 9, 2005. *Hugo's Famous Orchards*. Hugo, OR.

3. Wayne Mcky *Interview about Hugo Neighbors Identified on the 1932 Metsker Map*. Hugo, OR.

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## Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society's Mission

This information brochure is one of a series of documents published by the Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (*Hugo Neighborhood*). It is designed to be shared with neighbors for the purpose of helping protect our rural quality of life by promoting an informed citizenry in decision-making. The *Hugo Neighborhood* is an informal nonprofit charitable and educational organization with a land use and history mission of promoting the social welfare of its neighbors.

### Land Use & History

The *Hugo Neighborhood's* land use mission is to promote Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement, and to preserve, protect, and enhance the livability and economic viability of its farms, forests, and rural neighbors. It will act, if requested, as a technical resource assisting neighbors to represent themselves.

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.

Volunteer membership dues are \$10.00 annually per family and normally used for paper, ink, envelopes, publications and mailings. Send us your e-mail address if you want to know what we are doing.

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