

## Three Pines Corner

Vernon Ludwick, Storyteller

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Vernon's parents were both from the mid-western United States. His father, Silas C. Ludwick, was born February 19, 1876 in Iowa. His mother, Ida E. Baker, was born September 2, 1881 in Saline County, Nebraska. His family started when Silas Ludwick married Ida Elizabeth Baker, daughter of Chesley Baker February 19, 1902 in Antelope County, Nebraska. Over their lives together they would have 11 children, their very first, Viola May passed away at the tender age of two years.

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| 1.  | Viola May       | Nebraska?   |
| 2.  | Elmer Ray       | February 29, 1904, Nebraska                           |
| 3.  | Harold Jonathan | December 20, 1905, Orchard, Antelope County, Nebraska |
| 4.  | Lila Elaine     | March 26, 1908, Orchard, Antelope County, Nebraska    |
| 5.  | Esther Marie    | February 5, 1910, Orchard, Antelope County, Nebraska  |
| 6.  | Eva Eugenia     | July 27, 1912, Benida, Idaho                          |
| 7.  | Freda Fern      | August 6, 1914, Idaho?                                |
| 8.  | Violet Ruth     | November 28, 1916, Three Pines, Oregon                |
| 9.  | Vivian Rose     | May 20, 1919, Three Pines, Oregon                     |
| 10. | ElVon Cecil     | May 9, 1921, Three Pines, Oregon                      |
| 11. | Vernon Chester  | April 23, 1923, Three Pines, Oregon                   |

The family moved to the little community of Three Pines and Hugo in 1916. They would first live in a little house on Hugo Road (today known as Three Pines Road) next to Corliss Creek, about a quarter of a mile east from where they would soon establish their ranch in Three Pines.

Vernon Chester Ludwick was born April 23, 1923 at his parents home place in Three Pines, Oregon. This was the same year his father, Silas, received title to the 160-acres of homesteaded Hugo land, Patent No. 914291.



*Vernon Ludwick: 1930*

Courtesy of Vern Ludwick

A 90 degree road corner in the center of the Town of Three Pines was called *Three Pines Corner*. An open field by the corner was where the kids used to go to and play baseball. The old *Three Pines Corner* is no longer there. The road was improved in the 1960s and the corner was taken out as the road was straightened to eliminate the sharp corner. But, the corner can still be found if you look in the brush and weeds.

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