

Ernesto Atencio

Dob: July 15, 1935

Brooklyn Cottage Hospital, Dixon



Mother: Bernardita Roybal Atencio – DOB: 5-8-1904 – Dixon

Father: Tomas Atencio – DOB: 11-23-1876 – Dixon

Maternal Grandparents: Mariita Dominguez Roybal – El Valle
Apolonio Roybal – Chimayo

Paternal Grandparents: Pastorcita Griego Atencio – Embudo
Noerto Atencio – Embudo

Siblings: Octaviano, Bernie, Tomas, Amos

Married: Anna Christen 10/15/55 – Albuquerque

Children: Ernest Eugene, David Victor, Shirley Ann, Sylvia Yvonne
(see below for more information)

My father was among the pioneer Presbyterian Ministers in the Southwest. He gave the property to the church community to erect a church building. The Rev. Tomas Atencio was a minister in Dixon from 1913 to 1931. He was a very respected man in the community. My grandfather, Noerto Atencio, gave the property to erect the Brooklyn Hospital, which is now known as the "Manse". Memories are of earlier church activities included Christmas and summer parties, and picnics. Easter celebrations were a highlight!

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Anna Belle Christian Atencio

Dob: 9-23-1936 - Mora



Mother: Josephine Sosa – Dob: 5-1-1891 – Socorro, NM

Father: James Thomas (Midkiff) Christian – Dob: 10-10-1890 – Percile, Ok.

Maternal Grandparents: Lucita Johnson Alderete Sosa – Dob: 10-7-1868 – Las Cruces, NM
Enrique Sosa – Dob: Jan. 1856 – Guanajuato, Mexico

Paternal Grandparents: Sarah Annis Christian Midkiff: Dob: 5-12-1852 – Ada, Oklahoma
Charles Anderson Midkiff – Dob and place of birth unknown

Siblings: Jeff, Jim, Pearl, Alva, Irma, Lorraine, Sarah

Married: Ernest Atencio - 10/15/55 – Albuquerque

Children: Ernest Eugene: Dob: 7-18-1956- San Diego
David Victor: Dob: 9-10-1957
Shirley Ann: Dob: 10-21-1958
Sylvia Yvonne: Dob: 8-10-1962

My father was raised by an aunt on his mother's side, therefore changed his name from Midkiff to Christian. My mother entered college at age 40 with teaching experience without a degree. She earned her Bachelor's degree and also Master's degree in Education. My mother taught school till mandatory retirement at age 72.

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Ernest and Anna met at Menaul School in 1953. Anna was born in Mora and her father was section foreman for AT&SF Railroad, and her mother was a teacher. They lived in Belen and moved wherever Anna's dad was assigned. Anna was a third generation to attend Menaul School. Anna worked for the Census Bureau in Denver, from where she retired. Ernest worked for a commercial bank in Denver until retirement. After their retirement they moved to Dixon to the house formerly owned by Rev. Andy McComb. Both Anna and Ernesto are Commissioned Lay Pastors in the Presbyterian Church. Both were commissioned in Denver Presbytery originally and are certified in Santa Fe Presbytery after qualifying at this presbytery.

Children: Ernie, wife Elsbeth, son Dylan. Ernie has a daughter Eden, from previous marriage.

David, wife Sharon. David has one daughter, Nicole, from a previous marriage.

Shirley: divorced, son Joshua married to Liane and have two children Avery and Briar. Other son Adam lives in Denver.

Sylvia, husband Jessie, live in Denver, have one daughter Molly, lives in Jackson Hole, WY.