

## William Wallace Neely & Elizabeth Josephine (Fontaine) Neely

**Neelys** Edward Neely & Ruth Ann (Miller) Neely were the parents of William Wallace Neely.<sup>1</sup>

**Edward Neely:** 1795 - 1882  
Born: October 25, 1795  
Died: July 9, 1882 in Oregon

**Ruth Ann (Miller) Neely:** 1808 - 1890  
Born: October 14, 1808  
Died: May 6, 1890 in Long Tom, Lane Co., Oregon

**1841 William Wallace Neely** was born December 22, 1843 in Cedar County, Missouri.<sup>1</sup>

**1853 Elizabeth Josephine Fontaine** was born February 18, 1853 in Boone, Missouri. Her parents were James Davis Fountaine and Matilda H. (Sims) Fountaine.<sup>1</sup>

**1871 William Neely** married Elizabeth Fontaine (Fountaine?) October 26, 1871.<sup>1</sup>



## W<sup>m</sup> W. & E. J. Neely Family Hugo Pioneers: ca., 1875 - 1883

**Children of W<sup>m</sup> W. & E. J. Neely** Most of their children were born in Oregon. They lived in Hugo, Oregon on Jump Off Joe Creek from at least 1875 - 1882. They were likely in partners with, or living with, the James and Elizabeth F. Neely family. William Wallace and James were brothers.

Name	Born	Location
Thomas Jefferson	09/16/1872	Noti, Lane Co
Mary Louisa	01/13/1874	Grants Pass
Lela (Lula) Jane	05/13/1875	Jump Off Joe Cr.
Alice Gertrude	11/18/1876	Jump Off Joe Cr.
Franklin Jason	03/10/1877	Jump Off Joe Cr.
Luella Loraine	03/12/1879	Jump Off Joe Cr.
Matilda Ruth	12/19/1880	Jump Off Joe Cr.
William Ernest	07/29/1882	Jump Off Joe Cr.
Irma Elizabeth	05/25/1893	Seaton, Lane Co.

**Tragedy** W<sup>M</sup> W. & E. J. Neely lost four of their children from 1877 - 1882.

Neely Children	Born	Died
2-year old Lela J. Neely	1875	1877
5-year old Alice Neely	1876	1882
4-year old Franklin Neely	1887	1882
9-month old Mattie R. Neely	??	1882

**1895** An "E. F." Neely identified on the 1895 Josephine County map was the owner of almost 600 acres where the Neely children and Trimbles' graves are located adjacent to the northern boundary of today's Pleasant Valley Cemetery (PVC).<sup>2</sup>

## Tragedy

### 1900 Census. Mapleton Precinct, Lane Co., OR

William W. Neely	56 years
Elizabeth Neely	47 years
Luella Neely	20 years
Irma Neely	7 years

### 1900 Census. Merlin Precinct

James Neely	Farmer	66 years
Elizabeth F. Neely	Wife	55 years

### 1910 Census. Mapleton Precinct, Lane Co., OR

William W. Neely	61 years
Elizabeth Neely	57 years
Irma Neely	16 years

### 1920 Census. Mapleton Precinct, Lane Co., OR

William W. Neely	77 years
Elizabeth Neely	67 years

### 1930 Census. Mapleton Precinct, Lane Co., OR

William W. Neely	87 years
Elizabeth Neely	77 years

**1935 William Wallace Neely** died November 18, 1935. He is buried in the Mapleton IOOF Cemetery, Mapleton, OR

**1937 Elizabeth Josephine Fontaine** died November 6, 1937 in Mapleton, Lane 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.

1. Hugo Neighborhood, Josephine County Historical Society, & Rogue Advocates. 2007. *Neelys: Hugo Pioneers; Elizabeth F. Neely: Hugo Pioneer; W<sup>m</sup> W. & E. F. Neely: Hugo Pioneers*. Hugo, OR.

2. Koch, Joseph, Draughtsman. 1895 Official Josephine County, Oregon. Map. Scale 1 inch = 1 mile. Meston - Dygert Book M'F'G. Portland, OR.

## 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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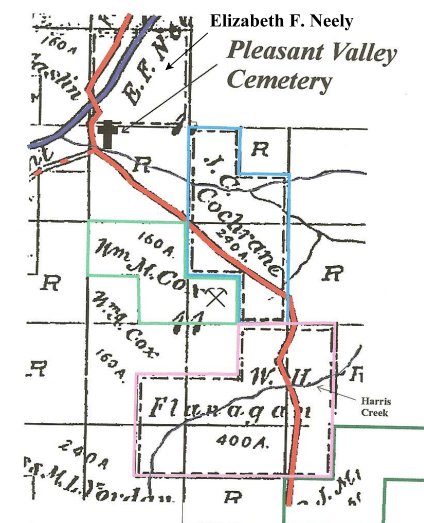
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*Neelys Along Applegate Trail: 1895*

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