# Charles & Mary Adams Sexton; & Charles & Tarris Drayer Sexton

1852 Oregon Trail The Nidays crossed the plains via the Oregon Trail, arriving in the Willamette Valley by late 1852. By 1853, they had moved to Josephine County, locating on a farm in what would become Hugo near Jumpoff Joe Creek. They settled down to raise their family. 1-2

1855 - 1857 Caroline Niday's husband Hiram Niday died in 1855. Caroline subsequently married David Sexton, the Indian fighter, in 1857. They had one child, Charles Sexton. 1-4

**1876 Hugo Donation Land Claim (DLC)** On July 19, 1876 Caroline Niday and the heirs of Niday were issued a DLC patent for 321.88 acres in Hugo, Oregon (Patent No.1479).<sup>5-6</sup>

**Charles D. Sexton** was born on the farm on which he resides, September 27, 1859, a son of David H. and Caroline (Stumbo) Niday Sexton, natives of New York and Ohio respectively.<sup>7</sup>

Mr. Sexton was married in 1884 [January 12, 1885<sup>7B</sup>] to Miss Mary Adams, of Salem, Oregon, and to them were born two children, Frank H., born December 16, 1885, on the homestead; and Ada T., born March 2, 1890, who is the wife of J. D. Everton, of Grants Pass. Mrs. Sexton died in 1892.<sup>7</sup>

## Charles Sexton Family, A Hugo Pioneer Family: 1859 - 1908

In 1897 [June 13, 1897<sup>8B</sup>] Mr. Sexton was again married, his second union being with Miss Tarris Drayer, a native of Nevada. To this union two children were born: Diadama T., whose birth occurred August 15, 1898; and Fred Fay, born May 4, 1900.<sup>7</sup>

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

Chas D. Sexton	Head	OR	1859	40 yrs
Teres Sexton	Wife	NV	1872	27 yrs
Diadama Sexton	Dau	OR	1898	1 yr
Fred F. Sexton	Son	OR	1900	0 yr
Frank H. Sexton	Son	OR	1885	14 yrs
Ada T. Sexton	Dau	OR	1890	10 yrs

Charles Sexton's occupation was a farmer (see Pioneer brochure 72B for entire family).

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

C. D. Sexton	Head	OR	1860	50 yrs
Tarris Sexton	Wife	NV	1872	38 yrs
Dama Sexton	Dau	OR	1899	11 yrs
Fred Sexton	Son	OR	1901	9 yr
Caroline Sexton	Mother	OH	1830	80 yrs

C.D.'s occupation was a farmer owning his own farm.

## 1920 Census. Lucky Queen Precinct, Josephine Co., OR

Charles Sexton	Head	IN	1862	58 yrs
Drayer Sexton	Dau	OR	1882	38 yrs
Frederick Sexton	Son	OR	1901	19 yrs

<sup>6.</sup> Hugo Neighborhood. 2007. *Hugo Pioneers*. Map Of Federal Land Transfer in Hugo, Oregon. Hugo, OR.

### **Children Of Charles Sexton**

## 1930 Census. Lucky Queen Precinct, Josephine County, Oregon

Charles D. Sexton	Head	OR	1861	69 yrs
Terrace Sexton	Wife	NV	1877	53 yrs

1931 Charles D. Sexton died January 3, 1931. 10

#### CHILDREN OF CHARLES D. SEXTON

**Diadama T. Sexton Lennan** Dama Lennan; dob 15 Aug 1898, Oregon; dod 13 Mar 1981, San Diego; mother Drayer; father Sexton.<sup>9</sup>

**Frank Holden Sexton** was born December 16, 1885, on the Niday DLC; dod 21 Mar 1949; Benton County.<sup>10</sup>

**Ada T. Sexton Kline** Ada T. Sexton was born March 2, 1890. Sexton, Ada I married Everton, Jesse W on 06 Jun 1909, Vol 5, Page 475. Ada T Kline; dod 12 Jun 1945; Benton County, Oregon. Description of the sexton o

**Fred Fay Sexton** dob May 1900; dod 29 Dec 1975; Multnomah County; Spouse Veness; age 75.<sup>10</sup>

Want more information? Contact an officer of the *Hugo Neighborhood*.

Mother Tarris Sexton's final Hugo home for the children to visit was built in 1932 (Photo 1). 12

<sup>1.</sup> Rose, Karen. 2001. Sexton Family History In Hugo, Oregon. Written for the Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society. Hugo, OR.

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<sup>4.</sup> Hugo Neighborhood. 2007. Lucky Queen Post Office. Hugo, OR.

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<sup>8</sup>B. Josephine County Oregon Marriages, Vol. 4, page 168.

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<sup>12.</sup> Hugo Neighborhood. 2007. Verlin Clair Grimes' Three Pines & Hugo Memories: 1913 - 2002. Hugo, 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.

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Photo 1. Mother Tarris Sexton's House Just Built: 1932
View is from the South
Courtesy of Joyce Austin

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