

## Grover Charles Miller 1892 by Skyler Miller

Grover Charles Miller was my great grandfather. Grover Charles Miller was born November 8, 1892 in Benjamine, Utah to Charles Heber Miller and Phoebe Amanda Snow Miller.

His Mom and Dad had a home in Provo on 10th west and 70 North. It was a nice home; it had all brick and was well built-in fact it is still lived in.

At the age of two Grover contracted polio, at that time they didn't know much about polio or how to treat it. He would lay on a hard board, for two years after that he was on crutches until he was full grown. This left with his left leg shorter than the right, he walked with a limp the rest of his life, having to wear a special shoe to help him walk more even. Because he had to use crutches his upper body became very strong, on the 4th of July he won a rowing contest on Utah Lake-the race started at the mouth of Provo River- now the Provo boat harbor, the rower went from the mouth of Provo river to Bird island on the south end of the lake and back to the mouth of river-it was a long way to row the boat but he was strong and showed it by winning the race.

One of Grover's first adventure's into business was a gallery store on about 850 West Center Street in Provo. The store was call the M&M Market, this is were he met my great grandma Beulah Johansen (Miller). They were married in the Salt Lake Temple on June 27th 1917. After they were married they opened numerous different grocery stores I the Provo area.

My Great Grandpa loved to go hunting and fishing in the mountains, even though he couldn't get far from camp. One year after my Grandpa and Grandma Miller had been married, they were going to wolf creek camp at Johnson's saw mill, there were 22 people and they had taken 22 deer in two days! Then it started to snow and they had a hard time getting all the old trucks off the mountain with all those deer.

Grover was loved by everyone that knew him, rich or poor-educated or non educated it did not matter to Grover, he treated everyone the same- with a respect, dignity and love. He always had gum or M&M treated for the kids. He passed away from a brain tumor on January 27, 1961 at the age of 68, my dad Rick G. Miller was born 4 days after he died January 31 1961-my dad was given the middle G. for my grandpa Grover Miller.

My Great grandpa seemed like a great man he was active and loved everyone.

I wish I could have met him.

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Crover at his store – West Center Street in Provo

