



Story of Jose Emitterio Celedonio Martin (Martinez)

Information provided by great granddaughter Yukimi Marshall via e-mail on
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Our great grandfather, Jose Emitterio Celedonio Martin (Martinez) was born on March 4, 1864 in Taos, New Mexico to Juan Bautista Martin (Martinez) and Maria Eluteria Rael. From what we have found so far he had a total of nine siblings (based on Federal Censuses). There were 5 boys and 2 girls. Two are still unknown.

We do know that he worked at the CF&I Steel Mill in Pueblo, CO.

He married my great grandmother Maria Crestina Vigil from Taos, Rio Colorado, New Mexico. Emitterio and Crestina divorced in 1917. They had two sons and one daughter, Juan Eccolastico Martinez (our grandfather), Fredolin Martinez and Christina Martinez. After the divorce the family seemed to have split up. We can only assume some of it was because of the great depression. My grandfather traveled and worked the farms through Montana and Canada at the time of Emitterio's death. We still are not able to determine what happened to his brother Fred during this time. That is why Emitterio died alone. The family heard he was buried in a Pauper's field in Denver, but we did not know where.

His family line is carried on by 7 grandchildren, 23 great grandchildren and 37 great-great grandchildren and 2 great-great-great grand-daughters. With your information, his two great granddaughters and his oldest great-great-grandson set out on a trek to find the exact location he was buried. We are extremely confident that we have found him!

We are truly grateful for your efforts and would like to share his photo and the little information we know about him in order to preserve his memory.

Sincerely,

Yukimi Marshall